

Call for Papers

Submission Guidelines

The World Congress Scientific Programme Committee invites you to submit an abstract. **Abstracts can be submitted at any time from now until 17 September 2023.** Submissions on paediatric, adolescent and neuro-orthopaedics, which will be a focus in 2024, are especially encouraged.

Submission types and topics

Abstracts on scientific studies, technical/P&O contributions, scientific case studies or technical/P&O treatment cases will be accepted on the following topics:

- Prosthetics
- Orthotics
- Foot & Shoe/Orthopaedic footwear technology
- Rehabilitation
- Biomechanics
- Paediatric/adolescent and neuro-orthopaedics
- Digitalisation
- Open topics (sports orthopaedics, parasports, materials research, measurement technology, production technology, adaptive technologies, etc.)
- Education

Treatment areas

Demand-based treatment with medical aids is the key intervention for growing numbers of patients and people with disabilities, which helps maintaining independence, mobility as well as participation of everyday life. As we have come to expect from previous editions of this event, OTWorld 2024 will be placing a clear focus on technical knowledge and innovation and offers all experts working in interdisciplinary teams a choice of new and unparalleled informative events covering all core treatment areas, with a crystal-clear focus on expertise and innovation.

Please classify your submission as relevant to one or more areas of care relating to:

- Mobility limitations
- Diabetes and vascular diseases
- Osteoarthritis and degenerative diseases
- Stroke
- Sport prophylaxis and injuries due to accidents
- Back
- Movement disorders and paralysis
- Cancer
- Prevention

Deadline

Abstracts must be submitted [online](#).

Deadline for submissions: 17 September 2023

Scope of content

Abstracts on scientific studies or technical/P&O contributions

Co-authors:	unlimited characters
Title:	150 characters*
Summary:	300 characters*
Background:	1,000 characters*
Material/methods; methodology/working process:	1,000 characters*
Results:	1,500 characters*
Discussion/conclusion; implications for practice:	1,000 characters*
References:	unlimited characters

*incl. empty spaces

Scientific case studies or technical/P&O treatment cases
 (Examples of treatment with a special clinical case or special technical solution)

Co-authors:	unlimited characters
Title:	150 characters*
Summary:	300 characters*
Introduction/background:	1,000 characters*
Methodology/working process:	1,500 characters*
Implementation:	1,500 characters*
Conclusions:	1,000 characters*
References:	unlimited characters

*incl. empty spaces

Figures and tables

Tables and figures can be attached to your submission in a Word file.

Formatting and restrictions

In order to ensure anonymity in the peer review process, abstracts must not contain any references to authors or institutions. Please avoid using any special text formatting, as we cannot guarantee that it will appear accurately in publications. Abstracts should be free of spelling errors. Abbreviations must be defined when first used.

Presentation types

Papers can be presented as a lecture or an ePoster (including a short talk). The programme committee will make every effort to assign papers to the requested type of presentation. However, they reserve the right to assign papers to other kinds of presentations.

Submission

It is assumed that the first named author is the speaker. The abstract cannot have been presented at OTWorld before. The abstract may not have been previously presented at OTWorld.

Peer review process

After the submission deadline (17 September 2023), all abstracts will be anonymised and sent to at least two reviewers to be evaluated.

Each abstract will be evaluated based on the criteria:

Scientific studies or technical/P&O contributions

- relevance/innovation
- methodology/work process
- scientific value/practical relevance

Scientific case studies or technical/P&O treatment cases

- complexity of the presented case
- innovation/creativity of the solution
- potential of the concept

Based on these evaluations, the programme committee will decide whether to accept or reject the abstracts.

Accepted contributions will be classified by the programme committee into thematically appropriate subject blocks.

Confirmation of acceptance or rejection will be given in December 2023. The author of an accepted abstract agrees to attend the congress and present the paper in the time and topic block allocated by the programme committee.

If the accepted abstract fails to be presented at the congress without being excused, no contributions by the lead author will be considered for the next congress.

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Congress languages

The official congress languages are English and German. Simultaneous interpreting will be available in the second language. Abstracts may only be submitted in either German or English, and presentations must be given in the submission language.

Publication

All accepted abstracts will be published online in the congress programme. By submitting an abstract, authors grant Confairmed GmbH the right to publish it on the website, in printed media, in newsletters and in a book of abstracts if such will be issued. Please note that your abstract will be published in the submitted form and that no corrections can be made after the submission deadline. The congress organisers reserve the right to edit abstracts for errors prior to publication without consulting the author(s).

By submitting an abstract, the first author takes responsibility for the accuracy of the data contained therein. The first author is responsible for properly handling any third-party copyrights that may apply to the contents of the abstract. The authors thus guarantee that no third-party rights that would preclude publication apply to any figures, tables, etc.

Disclosure of conflicts of interest

In accordance with the "Recommendations on Continuing Medical Education of the German Medical Association", the state medical association responsible for certification (CME) requires that possible conflicts of interest must be disclosed to the participants and also to the medical association if requested.

ePoster with short talk

Accepted ePosters will be displayed on monitors in a permanent digital exhibition. In addition to the visual presentation, ePosters will be presented in oral short talks, in thematically grouped sessions. After acceptance of an ePoster, the author will receive separate information for creating an ePoster and short talk.

Important dates

17 September 2023	Deadline for submission of abstracts
December 2023	Notification of acceptance or rejection of submissions
January 2024	Publication of the congress programme on the internet
14 to 17 May 2024	OTWorld 2024

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