

Call for Papers – Your contribution is requested!



International Trade Show and World Congress
12 – 15 May 2020, Leipzig, Germany

The programme committee of the OTWorld 2020 world congress invites you to submit abstracts for free papers. Please submit your abstracts by **15 September 2019** at the latest.

Why become a speaker of OTWorld?

- Presentation of the contribution in front of a highly experienced specialist audience, consisting of prosthetists and orthotists, orthopaedic footwear professionals, doctors, engineers and therapists
- International networking opportunity at the largest branch event - 21,400 visitors from 90 countries
- Proximity to the exhibition halls with more than 570 exhibitors from 43 countries

Submission Topics

Scientific/practical presentations or descriptions of case studies will be accepted on the following topics:

- Prosthetics
- Orthotics
- Orthopaedic footwear technology/Pedorthotics
- Rehabilitation
- Rehabilitation technology
- Sports/Sports medicine
- Biomechanics
- Pediatric orthopaedics/Pediatric treatment
- Open topics (Digitalization, developing countries, materials research, measuring technology, adapted technologies, etc.)

Presentation Types

Contributions may be given orally or as an ePoster (with short lecture). The programme committee strives to assign submissions to the desired presentation type, but retains the right to allocate them to another type.

ePoster with Short Lecture

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 lectures, in thematically grouped sessions. After acceptance of an ePoster, the author will receive separate information for creating an ePoster and short lecture.

Submission

Abstracts can only be submitted using the online form www.ot-world.com/abstractsubmission. Abstracts sent by fax or email will not be considered.

Abstracts for scientific/practical presentations must include a title, summary, introduction, methods, results and conclusion.

Case studies must be submitted with a summary, introduction/basics, methods, implementation and conclusion.

The length of the individual abstract texts is limited. To ensure anonymity in the peer review procedure, the abstract may not contain any information on authors, hospitals or institutions.

Possible conflicts of interest must be disclosed.

Peer Review Procedure

After the submission deadline (15 September 2019), all abstracts will be anonymised and sent to at least two reviewers for evaluation.

Every abstract will be evaluated in the categories:

Scientific/practical presentations

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

Case studies

- complexity of the presentation
- innovation/creativity of the solution
- potential of the concept

with up to 5 points each, that is a maximum of 15 points per reviewer. Based on these reviews, the programme committee will decide to accept or reject the abstract.

You will be notified of acceptance or rejection in **November 2019**. The author of an accepted abstract agrees to attend the congress and present the paper in the time slot and topic block assigned by the programme committee.

Congress Languages

The congress languages are German and English. Simultaneous interpretation into the other language will be offered. Abstracts may be submitted in German or English.

Publication

All accepted abstracts will be published on the internet. By submitting an abstract, the author grants Confirmed GmbH the right to publish the abstract on the website, in print media and in newsletters.

Awards

The German Association of Orthopaedic Technology (Bundesinnungsverband für Orthopädie-Technik), as the conceptual partner of OTWorld, and the OT publishing house (Verlag Orthopädie-Technik) award three prizes among the free paper submissions. Prizes will be awarded for the best oral presentation, the best ePoster and the best paper submitted by a young professional. The prizes are endowed with € 500 each. On the basis of the evaluations made in the peer review process, an evaluation committee will decide upon the award winners after reviewing the contributions. All abstracts that have been submitted will automatically take part in the competition.

Further Information

Comprehensive information on the guidelines for submitting an abstract is provided online here: www.ot-world.com/callforpapers_eng

Important Dates

15 September 2019	Deadline for submission of abstracts
November 2019	Notification of acceptance or rejection of contributions
December 2019	Publication of the congress programme on the internet
12 to 15 May 2020	OTWorld 2020

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