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Evidence based orthopaedics

Arthroplasties with and without bone cement for proximal femoral fractures in adults

Background: Numerous types of arthroplasties may be used in the surgical treatment of a hip fracture. The main differences between the implants are the design of the stems, whether the stem is fixed in place with or without cement, whether a second articulating joint is included within the prosthesis (bipolar prosthesis) or whether the whole hip joint is replaced.

Objectives: To review all randomised trials that have compared different arthroplasties for the treatment of hip fractures in adults.

Search strategy: We searched the Cochrane Musculoskeletal Injuries Group specialised register which is compiled by regular searches of the Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials in The Cochrane Library, MEDLINE, and EMBASE.

Selection criteria: All randomised and quasi-randomised trials comparing different arthroplasties (and/or cement) for the treatment of hip fractures.

Data collection and analysis: Two reviewers independently assessed trial quality, by use of a ten-item checklist and extracted data.

Main results: 15 trials involving 1,670 patients were included. One trial involved two comparisons. Cemented prostheses, when compared with uncemented (five trials, 482 participants), were associated with a lower risk of failure to regain mobility (relative risk (RR) 0.60; 95% confidence interval (CI) 0.44 to 0.82) and of post-operation pain at a year or later (RR 0.51, 95% CI 0.31 to 0.81). For this comparison, there were no significant differences in any other outcome. Comparison of unipolar hemiarthroplasty with bipolar hemiarthroplasty (seven tri-

als, 857 participants) showed no significant differences between the two types of implant. Two trials of 269 patients compared different types of hemiarthroplasty with a total hip replacement and two trials of 151 patients compared either different types of prosthesis head or different bipolar prostheses. Because of the limited number of cases and the use of different prostheses, no definite conclusions could be made from these four studies.

Authors' conclusions: Cementing prostheses in place seems to reduce pain post-operatively and results in better mobility, but because of the underreporting of outcomes and the small number of patients involved, no definite conclusions can be drawn. The role of bipolar prostheses and total hip replacement is uncertain. Further well-conducted randomised trials are required.

Citation: Parker MJ, Gurusamy K. The Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews 2004, Issue 2.

Building on scientific success

Editorial



ctober has arrived and SICOT is moving to a rapid academic start. The SICOT/SIROT 2005 XXIII Triennial World Congress in Istanbul was one of the most outstanding meetings in our history. Prof Ege, Prof Cila, their associates, the Sorelcomm team and the SICOT Office have "done themselves proud".

At the 9 September 2005 Executive Committee meeting, the Executive vowed to improve SICOT and the performance of your elected officers and employees. Despite excellence, there is always room for improvement; our motto is "building on scientific success" and the following items have been discussed and/or decided:

• **improved communications:** implementation of a newsletter to National Delegates every month or two and institution of hotlines ⁽¹⁾ with your President, President Elect and Secretary General.

• all inclusive meetings: triennial congresses and annual conferences will in future be more readily available to all SICOT members and interested parties, the cost of meetings will be diminished to improve attendance and locations carefully screened with industrial associates.

• closer relations with industry: your President has met with important members of the industry. The Executive Committee met in Istanbul with a group of industry representatives. We formed (with industry approval) an Industrial Council which will advise us on better relations with the industry.

• outreach programmes: we will continue to enhance and improve our outreach programmes, by working with other organisations and initiating numerous cooperative ventures (AAOS, OREF, AANA, ISAKOS, International Hip Society, the AO Group, OTA, IFPOS, IMLAS, Orthopaedic Congress of Haemophilia, ISMISS,⁽²⁾ etc.).

• administrative organisation of SICOT: so that the dollars (and euros) of SICOT are spent in the most cost effective manner for the members.

Most sincerely,

Chadwick F. Smith SICOT President

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Orthopaedics and traumatology in El Salvador

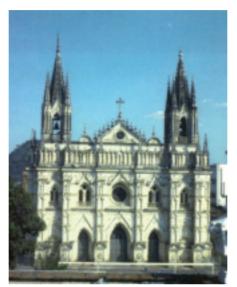


Located in Central America, the Republic of El Salvador borders the North Pacific Ocean and has a population of

slightly over 6,500,000 inhabitants. The country is composed of 14 departments, all of them equipped with a general hospital in almost every main city. Besides general hospitals, hospitals specialising in gynaecology, obstetrics and paediatrics are also to be found in San Salvador, the capital. There are military hospitals in San Salvador and San Miguel (the third largest city in the country). General hospitals of the Salvadoran Social Security exist in San Salvador, Santa Ana and San Miguel.

The Medical College of El Salvador was founded in 1942. Its members currently number 11,500 surgeons who have graduated from one of the six Salvadoran schools of medicine. Five of these schools are private institutions. The first school of medicine ever established in El Salvador was the School of Medicine of the Autonomous University of El Salvador, of which I was a Titular Professor between 1967 and 1993.

The first Salvadoran orthopaedic surgeon was Leon Avila. He had trained in the USA and arrived in El Salvador in 1942 where he took charge of the organisation of the first service



Cathedral of Santa Ana

of orthopaedics and traumatology at the General Hospital Rosales.

The second, Dymas Funes Hartmann, had trained in Germany. He arrived in El Salvador in 1945 and started to work at the General Hospital Rosales. In 1948 he organised the service of paediatric orthopaedics at the Children's Hospital Benjamin Bloom in San Salvador.

The third Salvadoran orthopaedic surgeon, Romulo Colindres, went to the USA to train and returned to San Salvador in 1947 where he worked at both the General Hospital Rosales and the Social Security Hospital.

These three surgeons were followed by Meliton Barba (in 1956) who had trained at the Rizzoli Institute of Bologna (Italy), Roberto Porras (in 1959) and Gerald Bowen who had trained in the USA, Nicolas Rodriguez Aguilar (in 1960) who had trained at the Institute of Traumatology of Montevideo (Uruguay), Francisco Jose Velasco (in 1962) who had trained in the USA and Juan Calix and myself who had both trained in Chile. In 1964, Cesar Augusto Escalante returned to El Salvador after training in Buenos Aires (Argentina) and so did Roberto Rivas Blanco after training in Uruguay; in 1965 Ricardo Paz Larin came back after a training period at the Rizzoli Institute.

At this point in time (1965), the 12 above-named surgeons decided to form the Orthopaedics and Traumatology Society of El Salvador and on the initial Board of Directors (1965-1967) were: Dumas Funes Hartmans (President), Romulo Colindres (Vice President), Roberto Porras (Secretary), Miguel Oqueli Colindres (Treasurer) and Meliton Barba ("Sindico"). The second President of the Society was Romulo Colindres (1967-1969), the third Miguel Oqueli Colindres (1969-1971).The current president is RobertoVides Casanova (2004-2006).



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Country to country series

Dr Miguel Oqueli Colindres | National Secretary of El Salvador



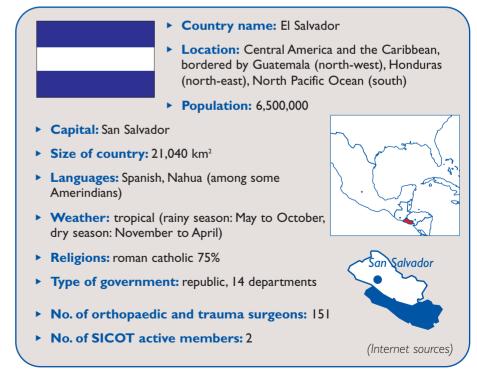
Ruins of Tazumal, department of Santa Ana

In October 2006 the 16th National Congress of the Society will be held; the First National Orthopaedics and Traumatology Congress was organised during my Presidency of the Society. Besides meetings of the National Society, El Salvador has hosted several regional congresses: Central American and Caribbean countries (with Angel Meardi as President) in 1996, SLAOT (with Miguel Oqueli Colindres as President) in 2001 to name but two. Several international courses were also organised, featuring Paediatric Orthopaedics (Miguel Oqueli Colindres, 1985), Foot Pathology (Angel Meardi, 1989), etc.

In 1959 the Central America and Panama Orthopaedic and Traumatology Society was founded and started to organise congresses every two years, with Dymas Funes Hartmann as first Congress President. Since 1981 Caribbean countries have been included in these congresses. Miguel Oqueli Colindres, President of the Society, received the title of Permanent Honorary President and Paul de Windt (Curaçao, Netherlands Antilles) was elected President of the Central American and Caribbean Society.

In 1963 Miguel Oqueli Colindres created the Service of Orthopaedics at the Hospital San Juan de Dios of Santa Ana and in 1969 he organised the Bone Bank at General Hospital Rosales.

At present, 151 surgeons specialising in orthopaedics and traumatology work in the various orthopaedic departments of the country.



Award winners of the SICOT/SIROT 2005 XXIII Triennial World Congress, Istanbul

Award winners

The Awards and Diplomas were presented at the Closing Ceremony on 9 September 2005. In total 23 awards were granted. Congratulations to all award winners!

The Abdel Hay Mashhour/SICOT Award:	Virendra Bhasme (India)
Manish Dastane (India)	Mahmoud Hafez (Egypt)
Ahmed El Sayed El Tantawy (Egypt)	Aleksandar Jakovljevic (Bosnia)
Palmion Kinov (Bulgaria)	Alfredo Pozzo (Bolivia)
The Australian SICOT Award:	Maddila Rajeev Rao (India)
Cezar Costin Ciohodaru (Romania)	Hatem Galal Said (Egypt/UK)
Shubhranshu Mohanty (India)	Binoti Sheth (India)
Tudor Nedelcu (Romania)	The Korean SICOT Award:
The German SICOT Fellowship Award:	Vaibhav Bagaria (India/USA)
Vaibhav Bagaria (India/USA)	Manish Chadha (India)
Ahmed El Basyuni (UK)	Vikas Trivedi (India)
The Japanese SICOT Award:	The Marcela Uribe Zamudio Award:
Friday Aaron (Niger)	Liliya Bakiyeva (UK)
Amr Mohammed Atef (Kuwait)	The Maurice E. Müller/SICOT Award:
Rufai A. Balogun (Nigeria)	Venelin Alexiev (Bulgaria)

Here are the names of the successful candidates of the **SICOT Diploma Examination** (2 and 4 September 2005):

Vaibhav Bagaria (winner of the German SICOT Fellowship Award)

Ahmed El Basyuni (winner of the German SICOT Fellowship Award)

Rehan Gul (Ireland)

Mahmoud Hafez (USA)

Kamil Cagri Köse (Turkey)

Sunil Nikose (Saudi Arabia)

The German SICOT Fellowship Award

will be given to the two successful candidates with the highest marks following the annual SICOT Diploma Examination. The aim of the Fellowship will be to visit important German orthopaedic units over a four-week period. The two fellows will be selected by the Board of Examiners on the basis of their performance in the Examination.

A good knowledge of the English language will also be taken into consideration.

The itinerary will be organised by the German Section of SICOT to visit German orthopaedic centres of excellence. A total of EUR 2,500 will be given to each Fellow to cover travel expenses, food and accommodation.

The two Fellows will travel together and the tour must be completed before the following annual or Trainees' Meeting. The Fellows will be expected to prepare one or two short scientific presentations for their visit.

Best Oral Presentations

I. Anil Jain (India), First Oral Presentation

"Tuberculous paraplegia – Correlation of clinical course with cord changes on MRI"

2. Martin Arno (Austria), Second Oral Presentation

"Analysis of knee joint biomechanics during cycling in patients with total knee arthroplasty"

3. Kenneth Cheung (Hong Kong), Third Oral Presentation
"The effect of pinealectomyon on scoliosis development in young non-human primates"
4. Michael Dodds (Ireland)

"Surgical stabilisation of the

dysplastic paediatric hip using a bioabsorbable suture anchor" 5. Stefan Marlovits (Austria) "Early postoperative adherence of matrix-induced autologous chondrocyte implantation for the treatment of full-thickness cartilage defects of the femoral condyle" 6. Alexander Gruebl (Austria)

"Serum cobalt and aluminium levels after metal-on-metal and ceramic-on-ceramic total hip arthroplasty"

7. Debnath Ujjwal (UK)

"Single stage reconstruction exstrophy epispadias" 8. Murali Krishna Sayana (UK) "Greater use of total hip arthroplasty for fractures of the neck of the femur in Scandinavian countries"

9. Cemil Yildiz (Turkey)

"Fixation of displaced proximal humeral fractures with Kwires and tension band technique"

10. Mirza Biscevic (Bosnia)"Videographic analysis of male and female knee kinematic"

Best Poster Presentations

I.Ashoka Vishnu Acharya (UK), **First Poster Prize** "EWTD & junior doctor training: the twain can meet" 2. Abdurrahman Ozcelik (Turkey), Second Poster Prize "Measurement of acetabular anteversion on a plain radiograph" 3. Hrvoje Ivan Pecina (Croatia), Third Poster Prize "Magnetic resonance imaging in diagnosis of piriformis muscle syndrome" 4. Alexander Hadjipavlou (Greece) "Surgical treatment of spinal brucellosis"

5. Gheorghe Popescu (Romania) "Results after femoral fractures reamed vs. undreamed femoral nails"

6. Anil Jain (India)

"Femoral neck anteversion: Indian perspective"

7. Ogawa Yuto (Japan)

"Long-term results (minimal five years) of expansive open-door laminoplasty for ossification of the posterior longitudinal ligament of the cervical spine"

8. Hyun-Dae Shin (Korea)

"Surgical treatment of humeral lateral condylar fracture" 9. Kamarul Ariffin Khalid (Malaysia)

"Necrotising fasciitis a significant cause for limb amputation and mortality in rural Malaysia" 10. Kwangjun Oh (Korea) "Does changing the design of a posterior stabilise total knee replacement affect early outcome? – A randomised prospective comparison"

SICOT/SIROT 2005 XXIII Triennial World Congress' Plenary and Invited Speakers

SICOT is very grateful to the Plenary Speakers and Invited Speakers who have most generously contributed personal time and effort to make the SICOT/SIROT 2005 XXIII Triennial World Congress Istanbul a great scientific success.

Plenary Speakers

Giorgio Brunelli (Italy) Mahmut Nedim Doral (Turkey) John Leong (Hong Kong) Se-II Suk (Korea) Vilmos Vécsei (Austria) Stuart Weinstein (USA)

Invited Speakers SIROT

Sabri Atesalp (Turkey) Rickard Branemark (Sweden) Jae-Suk Chang (Korea) Cheng-Kung Cheng (Taiwan) James Goh Cho Hong (Singapore) Izge Günal (Turkey) Feza Korkusuz (Turkey) Qin Ling (Hong Kong) Arthur Mak (Hong Kong) Olle Nilsson (Sweden) Eric Radin (USA) Björn Rydevik (Sweden) Tan Ser Kiat (Singapore) Charles Sorbie (Canada) Bing Yu (USA)

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Steve Abelow (USA) Emre Acaroglu (Turkey) Nobuo Adachi (Japan) Haluk Agus (Turkey) Ömer Akçali (Turkey) Sercan Akpinar (Turkey) Ahmet Alanay (Turkey) Abdullah Al-Othman (Saudi Arabia) Bülent Atilla (Turkey) Syed Muhammad Awais (Pakistan) Ahmet Turan Aydin (Turkey) F. Benazzo (Italy) Teoman Benli (Turkey) Thami Benzakour (Morocco) Bruce Browner (USA) Cody Bünger (Denmark) Franz Burny (Belgium) Ilker Cetin (Turkey) Shew Ping Chow (Hong Kong) Ramon Cugat (Spain) Philippe Delincé (Belgium) Morris Duhaime (Canada) Kemal Durak (Turkey) Ridvan Ege (Turkey) Ahmet Ekin (Turkey) Sabri El Banna (Belgium) Levent Eralp (Turkey) Ejnar Eriksson (Sweden) Kaan Erler (Turkey) Patricia Fucs (Brazil) Toshia Fujii (Japan) Anastasios Georgoulis (Greece) Dariush Gouran Savadkoohi (Iran) Reinhard Graf (Austria) Tom Gruen (USA) Pedro Guillen (Spain) Ayan Gülgönen (Turkey) Nejat Güney (Turkey) Azmi Hamzaoglu (Turkey) Rune Hedlund (Sweden) Peter Herberts (Sweden) Murat Hiz (Turkey) William J. Hosack (USA) Sean Hughes (UK) Süleyman Isildar (Turkey) Sinan Kara (Turkey) Oguz Karaeminogullari (Turkey) Johan Kärrholm (Sweden) Vecihi Kirdemir (Turkey) Soichi Kokubun (Japan) Feza Korkusuz (Turkey) Rainer Kotz (Austria) Haisheng Li (Denmark)

Martin Lind (Denmark) Hwa-Chang Liu (Taiwan) Luis Lopez-Duran Stern (Spain) Keith DK Luk (Hong Kong) Mario Manfrini (Italy) Nader Mottalebizadeh (Iran) Orhun Muratoglu (USA) Ryogo Nakamura (Japan) Halit Pinar (Turkey) Erhan Piskin (Turkey) Rocco Pitto (New Zealand) Kandiah Raveendran (Malaysia) Niels Dieter Röck (Sweden) Dündar Sabah (Turkey) Galal Zaki Said (Egypt) Frédéric Schuind (Belgium) Laurent Sedel (France) Ertugrul Sener (Turkey) Franklin H. Sim (USA) Chadwick F. Smith (USA) Charles Sorbie (Canada) Se-II Suk (Korea) Miklos Szendrôi (Hungary) Reha Tandogan (Turkey) Emre Togrul (Turkey) Mazhar Tokgözoglu (Turkey) Cyril Toma (Austria) Remzi Tözün (Turkey) Yücel Tümer (Turkey) Gonzalo Vázquez-Vela (Mexico) Vilmos Vécsei (Austria) René Verdonk (Belgium) Dennis Wenger (USA) Zou Xuenong (Denmark) Tarik Yazar (Turkey) Haluk Yetkin (Turkey) Cemil Yildiz (Turkey) Myung-Chul Yoo (Korea) Mustafa Yücel (Germany)

Group picture, Hilton Istanbul 3 September 2005



From left to right – **Ist row:** Prof Mashhour (Egypt), Assoc Prof Gouran Savadkoohi (Iran), Prof Said (Egypt), Prof Ege (Turkey), Prof Leong (Hong Kong), Dr Smith (USA), Dr Benzakour (Morocco), Dr Ould Soumeida (Mauritania) – **2nd row:** Prof Pecina (Croatia), Prof Erken (South Africa), Dr Raveendran (Malaysia), Dr Oqueli Colindres (El Salvador), Prof Kotz (Austria), Dr Amow (Trinidad and Tobago), Prof Hinsenkamp (Belgium), Dr Eduardo Zamudio (Chile), Dr Lazarov (Macedonia), Assoc Prof Bohatyrewicz (Pologne), Dr D'Ambrosia (USA) – **3rd row:** Dr Duhaime (Canada), Prof Dr Vecsei (Austria), Dr Lopez-Duran Stern (Spain), Prof Dr Desai (India), Prof Dr Awais (Pakistan), Prof Pitto (New Zealand), Dr Santori (Italy), Dr Browner (USA) – **4th row:** Dr Antolic (Slovenia), Dr Aradi (Bahrain), Assoc Prof Trç (Czech Republic), Dr Darwish (Oman), Dr Toma (Austria), Mr Leslie (UK), Prof Kokubun (Japan), Prof Dr Fucs (Brazil), Prof Dr Knahr (Austria) – **5th row:** Dr Heda (Kenya), Prof Rashed (Libya), Prof Liu (Taiwan), Prof Yamamuro (Japan), Prof Bünger (Denmark), Dr Fernandez-Palazzi (Venezuela) – **6th row:** Prof Dr Herman (Slovenia), Dr Gil-Orbezo (Mexico), Prof Luk (Hong Kong), Dr Shimizu (Japan), Mr Walker (UK), Prof Nerubay (Israel) – **7th row:** Prof Bendjeddou (Algeria), Dr Nelissen (Netherlands), Prof Allende (Argentina), Prof Hadjipavlou (Greece) – **8th row:** Dr Courtenay (Australia), Dr Tregonning (New Zealand), Dr Merjanah (Syria), Dr Lemseffer (Morocco), Dr Butkovic (Serbia and Montenegro), Dr Courpied (France), Dr Orban (Romania) – **9th row:** Prof Cila (Turkey), Assoc Prof Zhao (China), Dr Zimlitski (Georgia), Prof Dr Eulert (Germany), Dr Studers (Latvia) – **10th row:** Assoc Prof Laohacharoensombat (Thailand), Dr Kahramanov (Azerbaijan), Prof Shoilev (Bulgaria).

About SICOT/SIROT 2005 XXIII Triennial World Congress in Istanbul



As the SICOT/SIROT 2005 XXIII Triennial World Congress has just finished this note serves as a brief reminder to SIROT members about the Istanbul activities and to remind them about the direction of SIROT.

At the Istanbul meeting, SIROT had the ho-

nour of collaborating with the Turkish orthopaedic fraternity, hosting four special symposia of common interests in the Congress. These symposia included the following topics: Continuing Orthopaedic Education, Fracture Healing Research, Orthopaedic Amputations and Rehabilitation and Motion Analysis. We have invited distinguished speakers from all over the world as well as Turkish speakers. SIROT has invited two other very well known educators: Dr Stuart Weinstein to talk about "Evidence based orthopaedic" and Dr Peter Herberts to speak on "Highly cross-linked polyethylene".

Prof P. C. Leung | SIROT Programme Chairman

The usual Triennial SICOT/SIROT Research Commission has chosen two special research subjects for the Istanbul Congress: Cartilage Research and Biomaterials.

The Istanbul meeting was a great success. It further demonstrated the need for SIROT to collaborate with the local orthopaedic fraternity and special interest groups in a joint effort to promote orthopaedic research. The SIROT is the Research branch of SICOT. It has always enjoyed having a joint

Research Commission together with SICOT. The Istanbul success emphasised the need and benefits of further strengthening this co-operation.



Changes of National Representatives

We would like to inform our members that Dr Wichien Laohacharoensombat has become National Delegate of Thailand, Dr Wahab Yisuna National Delegate of Nigeria and Prof Nikolay Zagorodny of the Russian Federation.

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Signification of abbreviations:

(2) AAOS: American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons
OREF: Orthopaedic Research and Education Foundation
AANA: Arthroscopy Association of North America
ISAKOS: International Society of Arthroscopy, Knee Surgery and Orthopaedic Sports Medicine
OTA: Orthopaedic Trauma Association
IFPOS: International Federation of Paediatric Orthopaedic Societies
IMLAS: International Musculoskeletal Laser Society
ISMISS: International Society for Minimal Intervention in Spinal Surgery

I 5th European SICOT Trainees' Meeting in Prague

Worldwide news



Congress Topics

- New trends in aloplastics
 - MIS
 - Resurfacing of the hip
 - Ankle prosthesis
 - Toe prosthesis
 - Revision surgery
- Arthroscopy of the shoulder – Live surgery, cadaver course
- Conservative and surgical treatment of cartilage disorders
- Surgery of cerebral palsy patients
- Traumatology of seniors



Dear Colleagues,

In 2006 the Annual European SICOT Trainees' Meeting is going to take place in Prague, Czech Republic, from 13 to 16 September. The organisers are determined to make it a success. We are offering a beautiful city, excellent congress centre, hotels of all categories and the enjoyable social programme. The scientific programme will consist of lectures, workshops, free papers and poster presentations. We are convinced that the industry will enjoy the opportunity to meet the opinion leaders in the field and that the exhibition will show the latest technology and pharmaceuticals. It is my privilege and honour to invite you most cordially to Prague for the SICOT 2006 Trainees' Meeting.

Yours sincerely, Assoc Prof Tomas Trç, PhD, President

Preliminary Congress Overview					
Morning	Afternoon	Evening			
Wednesday 13/09/2006					
Workshops	Workshops	Social Party			
Thursday 14/09/2006	1				
Sessions	Sessions	Opening Ceremony			
Friday 15/09/2006	1				
Sessions	Sessions	Gala Dinner			
Saturday 16/09/2006					
Sessions	Sessions	Farewell Party			

Congress venue and contacts

The Trainees' Meeting will be held in **Top Hotel Praha** **** Blazimská 1781/4, 149 00 Praha 4 http://www.tophotel.cz

The link of the Meeting <u>http://www.traineesicotprague.cz</u> will open in October 2005.

Fourth SICOT/SIROT Annual International Conference

23-26 August 2006 Buenos Aires, Argentina



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Abstract submission and online registration: http://www.sicot.org

Registration

Registration fees in EUR (exclusive of Belgian VAT)	Before 31.12.2005	Between 01.01.2006 and 31.05.2006	After 31.05.2006
SICOT and SIROT members	275	375	475
Non members	425	525	625
Trainees	100	125	150
Accompanying persons	125	150	175
President's Dinner	60	75	90

Conference President Prof Bartolome T.Allende

Abstract submission on line starts on 5 September 2005 at http://www.sicot.org/?page=buenosaires No faxed or e-mail submissions please! Deadline for abstract submission: 15 February 2006

Topics

TRAINEES' MEETING:

Trauma Degenerative hip Miscellaneous

SICOT:

Bone loss Cervical spine Degenerative hip disease in young adults Foot and ankle Hand Infection Non-union Open fracture Paediatric orthopaedics Polytrauma Sports medicine

SIROT:

Biomaterials and tissue engineering Biomechanics Fracture healing Stem cells, genes and growth factors

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