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Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Dear Colleagues and Friends!

Welcome to the 6th issue of the ESTES News in 2015, another important year for ESTES, the European Society for Trauma and Emergency Surgery and EJTES, the European Journal for Trauma and Emergency Surgery. Our society is active and growing, as it can be easily seen by the strongly increasing participation of the ECTES congresses and the member societies. The successful implementation of the new ESTES bylaws this year allows further active participation of individual members and of the member societies as well. This positive and communicative way of our society has been well and positively recognized! I am convinced that the upcoming 17th Congress of Trauma and Emergency Surgery in Vienna will be a next milestone in this direction!

One of the milestones this year is that the Eur J Trauma Emerg Surg (EJTES) is now listed in PubMed, Medline! Despite the very wide positive recognition of our journal, the way to finally get listed there was long and somewhat nerve-racking. Thus, I would like to thank at that occasion all individuals, who have contributed over many years to this success, in particular all authors for their submissions, all reviewers for their valuable quality support, all members of the Editorial Board for their continuous contributions and the other Editors for their tremendous workload handling the manuscripts! In addition, I am very grateful to the continued positive support and cooperation with the publisher Springer Nature and in particular I would like to thank Beate Hienz for her professional and engaged support!

I would like to give you a short impression of the journals figures in the following Table 1 of the year 2014 (no of submission, publication time, rejection rate, satisfaction rate)

No of submissions	Publication time (Accept to online first)	Rejection rate	Satisfaction rate
317	20 days	67%	81%

The impact factor of ISI (Thompson Reuters) is currently 0,346, thus constant over the last years as you can see in Fig. 1.

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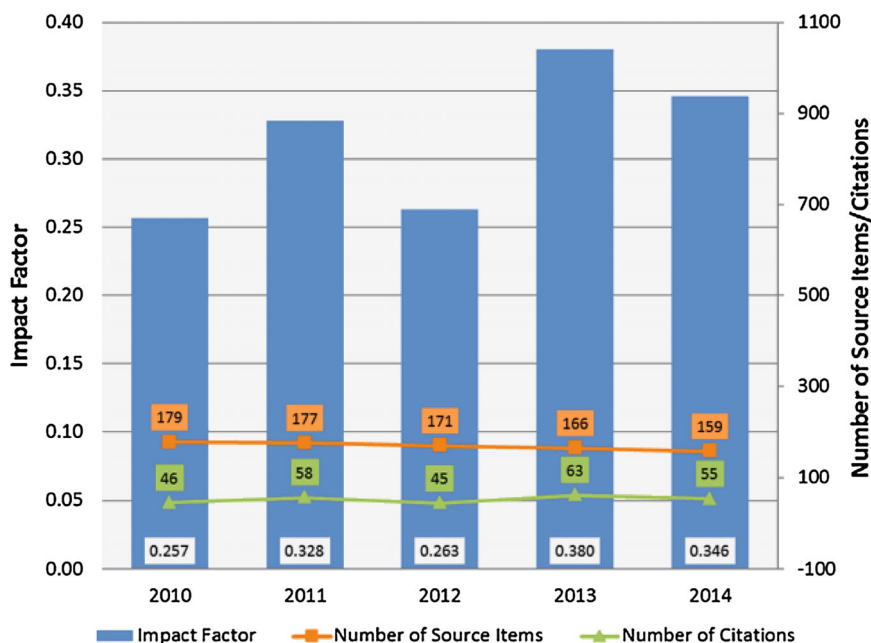


Fig. 1 Impact Factor development

Subjectively, the impact factor seems too low for the wide acceptance of the journal and the very positive feedback. The reason for that is most likely the visibility of the publications in the EJTES. As you can see from Fig. 2, most people find the articles of EJTES by Google Scholar and other ways.

Top 5	2014 (Jan to Dec)
	Percentage
Google	51%
Direct	20%
Google Scholar	8%
springer.com	2%
www.bing.com	1%
Other	18%

Fig. 2 EJTES: Downloads by Visitor Referral

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Up to now, articles of EJTES could not be found by Medline research, which is clearly the most often applied search engine during the writing process. Since EJTES is now visible in PubMed/Medline, I assume, that we can expect a substantial higher citation rate in the future and a continuous increase of the impact factor. In order to help the members of our society to find relevant, important articles in their field of expertise, we have improved the internet presentation of the journal and sorted recent articles related to their topic. Please feel free to check both the EJTES Home Page at Springer (www.ejtes.springer.de) and the ESTES – EJTES homepage (www.estesonline.org) to find important papers in the many fields of our society!



Prof. em. Sten Lennquist, MD, PhD

Lastly, I would like to thank Prof. Sten Lennquist for his tremendous work as Editor of the EJTES! He has integrated over the last years the International Journal of Disaster Medicine in the European Journal of Trauma and Emergency Surgery. Now, Disaster and Military Surgery is an integral part of EJTES! Prof. Lennquist has now stepped down as Editor and we welcome Prof. Fernando Turégano as new Editor taking care of D&M as well as emergency surgery issues.

I wish you all a quiet Christmas, a Happy New year, and enough time to publish your valuable work!

With best regards
Prof. Dr. Ingo Marzi

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Dear Colleagues,

Scientific and organizational preparations for the 17th European Congress of Trauma & Emergency Surgery are in full swing.

Upcoming Sessions at ECTES 2016 will cover the following topics:

- **Mangled extremity**
 - Military
 - Disaster
 - Polytrauma
 - Isolated amputation
 - Limb saving
 - Rehabilitation
- **Bleeding**
 - Clotting agents
 - Damage control surgery
 - Non-operative treatment
- **Polytrauma & Emergencies**
 - Pelvic fractures
 - Damage control surgery
 - Non-operative management
 - Interface between emergency and trauma
 - Hot clinical issues: TBI, VTE, blunt carotid/vertebral injury
 - Pediatric traumatic injuries
 - Level I evidence
 - Emergency surgery in the obese
- **Joint replacement in fracture care**
 - Proximal humerus
 - Complex elbow
- **Innovations/advanced technologies**
 - Hybrid trauma management
 - Surgery techniques in austere environments
 - Military surgery is the cradle for trauma care
- **Emergency service/prehospital/ in-hospital**
 - Organization
 - Maritime disasters
 - Mules and bodypackers
- **Sports injuries**
 - ACL
 - Meniscal repair
 - Cartilage
 - Shoulder instabilities
- **Orthogeriatric comanagement**
 - Coagulation
 - Pre-existing diseases
 - Operative concepts
 - Fragility fractures: ankle
- **Abdomen**
 - Hepato-pancreato-biliary surgery
 - Complicated cholecystitis
 - Oncological emergencies
 - Malignant colonic obstruction
 - Pseudomyxoma peritonei
- **Complications**
 - Endoscopic injuries
 - Care of septic patients
 - Treatment concepts
- **Politics and society**
 - Cross border rescue
 - Cooperation between countries
 - Financial crisis
 - Refugee crisis
 - UEMS

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Online Registration Starts Monday, November 30, 2015!

Register before February 19, 2016 and benefit from the Early Bird Registration Fees!

Find all information on the congress website: <http://www.estesonline.org/estes-congress-2016>

Do not miss the opportunity to participate in the 17th European Congress of Trauma and Emergency Surgery in Vienna and mark the following dates in your calendar:

Start Online Registration: Monday, November 30, 2015

Early Bird Registration Deadline: Friday, February 19, 2016

ECTES 2016: Sunday, April 24 – Tuesday, April 26, 2016

Follow 94% of ECTES 2015 participants who would recommend ECTES 2016 and be part of it!

I look forward to meeting you in Vienna.

Sincerely,

Prof. Dr. Richard Kdolsky
President of ECTES 2016

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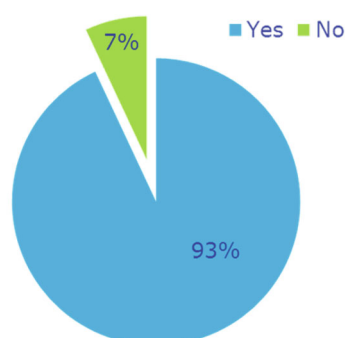
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16th European Congress of Trauma and Emergency Surgery May 10–12, 2015 / Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Survey Findings



Did ECTES 2015 contribute to your professional development/learning?



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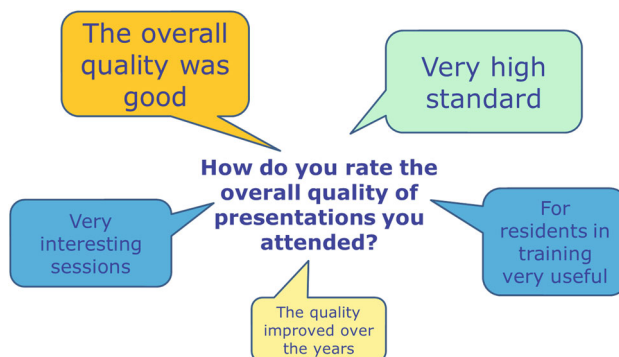
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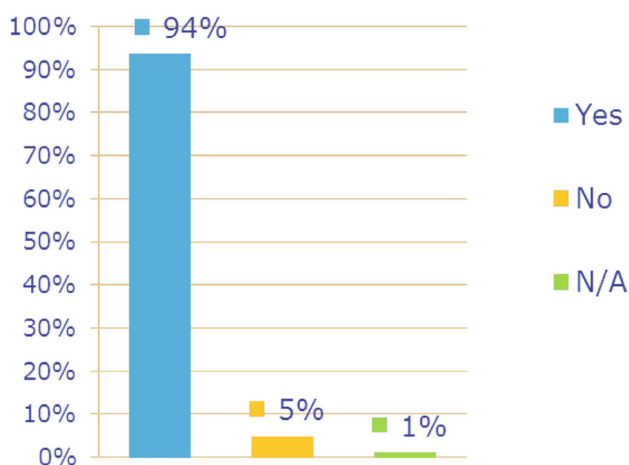
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Would you recommend your colleagues to attend ECTES 2016 in Vienna?



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Report of ESTES Congress Grant Winner Shigong Guo



I am a Specialty Registrar in Trauma & Orthopaedic Surgery on the Northwest London Rotation in the United Kingdom. I am currently undertaking higher surgical training at Lister Hospital, Stevenage, under the educational and clinical supervision of Mr RS Deol, Consultant Trauma & Orthopaedic Surgeon and Mr R Sofat, Clinical Director of the Trauma & Orthopaedic Department.

As a young surgeon-in-training, I am honoured that my work has been recognised by your society. I am very grateful to the committee for awarding me this prestigious congress grant and allowing me to present my work on bilateral tibial tubercle avulsion fractures in the active young patient, carried out with my educational supervisor Mr RS Deol.

Participating at the 16th European Congress in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, has given me an invaluable opportunity to learn the latest advances in trauma and emergency surgery from world experts in their fields and also from my peers.

Since my first attendance at the 12th congress in Milan, Italy, I have always been impressed by the uniqueness of this congress for its ability to incorporate experts from a wide range of medical and surgical specialties (e.g. general surgery, orthopaedic surgery, anaesthesia, emergency medicine) and provide a platform to facilitate a multidisciplinary approach to the management of acute trauma.

At the opening ceremony, I listened to the opening lecture on the local history of the Amsterdam Guild of Surgeons and in particular, the clinical story behind Rembrandt's depiction of *The Anatomy Lesson of Dr Nicolaes Tulp* with great interest.

As a trainee with a trauma & orthopaedic background, I found the Guest Symposia from AOTrauma and EFORT especially beneficial in gaining practical intra-operative technical tips for successful fracture fixation. I also found that the Resident Session was useful in meeting other trainees & trainers, learning from and comparing the different training systems in Europe and beyond, balancing clinical training and research, and the challenges and opportunities for training in the future. In addition, I was particularly impressed by the longstanding establishment of "trauma surgery" as a specialty in its own right in various European countries and the United States.

There have been many trainers who have played a pivotal role in my professional and personal development, for my achievements today would not have been possible without their supervision, support and guidance. I would like to thank all of my previous trainers from both basic surgical and higher surgical training, including but not limited to Ms RD Case from Severn Deanery (Bristol), my mentor Mr R Strachan and Mr AJ Forester from Northwest London Deanery.

Once again, I would like to thank the society for its generous support. This congress has been a tremendous educational experience, providing a platform to learn and exchange ideas from leading experts and fellow trainees, in order to advance the development of trauma care for our patients. Furthermore, the city of Amsterdam provided a beautiful background for this congress as I experienced from the dinner cruise along its canals during the Official Congress Evening.

It has been a pleasure, and I look forward to attending future conferences!

Best regards,

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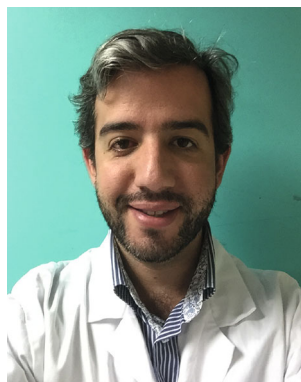


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Report of ESTES Congress Grant Winner Damien Massalou



This is the fourth time that I attended an ECTES congress and it is always such an exciting chance for me to share knowledge and experience. I would like to thank ESTES for this award and the Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Traumatologie und Versicherungsmedizin for the grant; it was a fantastic opportunity for me.

In my practice, I am one of the surgeons in charge of the visceral trauma unit of my institution. I would like to participate in its development by implementing our trauma center using evidence-based medicine (if this is possible in trauma patients): direct admittance in the operating room after a prehospital exam by one emergency physician or develop preperitoneal packing for pelvic unstable trauma. I am currently ATLS instructor, assistant in anatomy, and reviewer for various journals.

In the next few years, I hope to travel and perform a fellowship in a civilian trauma center to update my practice and my knowledge because as Voltaire (French author from the 18th century) said, "*Travels are good for youth*".

I will summarize some of the most interesting moments of this ECTES in Amsterdam.

Military disease

Very impressive reports, particularly one from civilian help in Israel for Syrian civil war casualties: humanity of people defending life, children, attending for nothing and acting only on our Hippocratic oath. As Ambroise Paré said, "everyone who wants to do surgery, must go to war". Military surgical care has always improved the standard of care in civilian casualties. We all learn from their particular experience.

Pancreatic trauma

Very interesting topic: rare and dramatic outcomes when non-diagnosed. What I will remember as an important change in my daily practice is distal pancreatectomy for tail ductal trauma and no place for stenting in right ductal lesions.

Pelvic trauma

Remembering ATLS principles and the remaining challenge of unstable pelvic trauma patients: stop the bleeding, reduce pelvis after only one examination, fix it or stabilize it, etc.

Anorectal injuries

Always have a high index of suspicion and be systematic: CT-TAP. Primary repair if possible. Main blunt trauma patient. Beware of a higher morbidity when delay in diagnosis (6 h) or treatment (12 h).

Poster area

Very interesting case reports or studies. I was particularly interested in two posters on primary preperitoneal packing for non-responders and unstable pelvic trauma patients and one poster on the poorer outcomes after more than 12 h delay after trauma.

Poster awards during wine and cheese sessions

Good oral presentations and discussions with the assembly. Congratulations to our Portuguese colleague for her poster award on a sexual complication 6 months after hysterectomy. And thanks to the organizing committee for the good cheeses, wines and beers!

Opening ceremony

Dr. Asensio was very impressive as a human rights' defender during his honorary member award speech. Such a famous surgeon and professor, telling us about his escape from Castro's working camps and his American dream that he accomplished with the career we all know. Very impressive speech about human rights and the humanity of acute care surgery.

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Would you like to win a travel grant of EUR 1,000?

Do you fulfill the criteria?

If your answer to all questions above is „Yes“, seize this chance and apply now!

The prerequisites are

- Age below 35 (date of congress is decisive)
- Specialist or Specialist-in-Training in Trauma and Emergency Surgery
- Submission and presentation of an accepted abstract
- Documented scientific activities
- Submission of the required documents (letter of intent, CV, list of publications, letter of recommendation)
- Short written report about the congress after the event
- Individual member of ESTES or intention to become an individual member of ESTES

The application form can be downloaded on the ESTES website (Education).

To apply for a grant, please return the completed application form and all required documents to the ESTES Administrative Office:

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Application Deadline: **Friday, January 15, 2016**

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Upcoming related congresses & courses

MUSEC – Modular UltraSound ESTES Course

Verona, Italy

January 8-9, 2016

www.thesoundofthebody.org

MUSEC – Modular UltraSound ESTES Course

Manresa, Spain

January 30, 2016

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MUSEC – Modular UltraSound ESTES Course

Rozzano, Italy

February 5–6, 2016

www.thesoundofthebody.org

MUSEC – Modular UltraSound ESTES Course

Galdakano, Spain

March 5, 2016

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The World Combined Orthopaedic Congress (COMOC)

Cape Town, South Africa

April 11–15, 2016

www.comoc2016.org

MUSEC – Modular UltraSound ESTES Course

Vienna, Austria

April 22–23, 2016

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