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Message from the Editor-in-Chief of the *European Journal of Trauma and Emergency Surgery*

Dear colleagues and friends,

I'm very pleased to announce that, after having substantially improved, our impact factor for the *European Journal of Trauma and Emergency Surgery* consistently achieves strong values: 1.704 (2017) and 1.781 (2018). As you can see in the figure the number of citations is continuously rising, which is very important for the calculation of the impact factor.

However, the number of manuscripts submitted and finally accepted is also increasing, so that we have to print more papers every year in our issues. As a consequence, the increase of the impact factor is moderate because otherwise our authors would have to wait too long between acceptance and online-first until the allocation of their manuscript to a printed issue. Thus, we have to carefully balance both goals in the next few years.

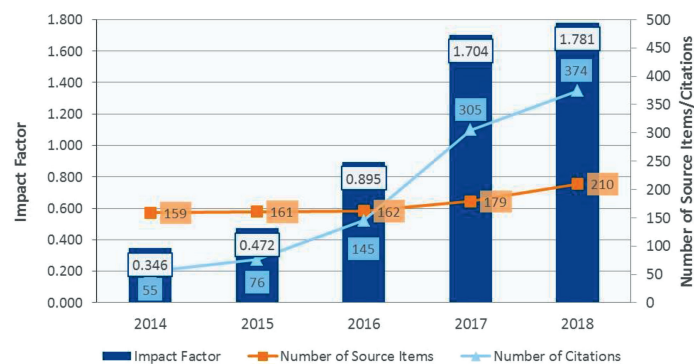


Figure 1 Impact factor development of EJTES (with permission of Springer Nature; data source: Clarivate Analytics)

Article types like Original Articles, Focus-On Reviews and Guidelines have to be highlighted as a success since they constitute the top cited articles. Therefore, it is particularly pleasing that the submissions of original articles from all over the world are still increasing (395 in 2017, 491 in 2018). Accepted articles derive from Germany with 26 accepted manuscripts, followed by the Netherlands (19), the USA (18), UK (10), and Switzerland (8). One of the main requirements concerning the editors' daily work is having a good eye for the quality and consensus with the Journal's identity of the manuscripts. All Editors strive to get good data and promising manuscripts to final acceptance, even if sometimes several review rounds are necessary and the overall rejection rate in general lies at 65%.

To manage all papers, their review process and decisions, we decided to expand the Editorial Board by working with our new Associate Editors, who are a great enrichment for the *European Journal of Trauma and Emergency Surgery*. But all of the editors depend on the assistance of the reviewers, who are willing to write good reviews and pursue a short turnaround-time. This role is demanding and associated with hard work; however,



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it improves the journal and will directly contribute to its success. Therefore, I thank all the reviewers for their tremendous work for the welfare of the journal. In this respect, we are always open and delighted about interest from new reviewers, who are committed to the journal and willing to hold the standard high in addition to their main work. Please feel free to contact the editorial office to start up with first reviews. In addition, we are more than happy if you have good suggestions regarding Focus-on topics for which you could write the editorial, after approval of the topic by the editors. And please consider publications in the *European Journal of Trauma and Emergency Surgery* (<https://www.springer.com/journal/68>), if there are publications relevant to your current research and paper submissions anywhere!

Furthermore I have to announce that Prof. Ari Leppäniemi will assume the function of Editor Emeritus in 2020. Ari was most important for the successful development of the *EJTES* in recent years, moreover as a very efficient and reliable editor and colleague. I am very proud that I had the privilege to work with him together. On behalf of the Editorial Board of the Journal and Springer Nature I like to express our deep gratitude for Ari's work. But I think, we can count on him on various occasions in the future!

Fortunately I am able to announce that starting in January 2020, Prof. Zsolt Balogh from Newcastle, Australia and Prof. Raul Coimbra from Los Angeles, US, will be full Editors of the *EJTES*, which reflects the clear international visibility of the *EJTES*. In addition, I am proud that Prof. Frank Hildebrand from Aachen, Germany, will take over the position of an Associate Editor. Finally yet importantly, I would like to thank the Editors Prof. Pol Maria Rommens and Prof. Fernando Turegano for their continuous and enriching work for the journal. Likewise I thank our Associate Editors Prof. Thomas Mittlmeier and Prof. Rifat Latifi for their work.

I wish you all a peaceful Christmas time and all the best for 2020!

Prof. Dr. Ingo Marzi
Editor-in-Chief



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Report of ESTES Congress Grant Winner René Verboket



Dear colleagues,

It was a great honor and pleasure for me to attend the 20th European Congress of Trauma and Emergency Surgery in Prague, Czech Republic.

First of all I want to thank the ECTES committee for selecting me as travel grant winner. The possibility to hear speeches by international leading experts in Trauma and Emergency Surgery was very enriching for my clinical progress. I was able to attend several very interesting lectures and to present a poster from our working group.

The poster I presented was about a basic research topic. I am grateful for the opportunity to share the work of our working group with the members of ESTES. In our work we produced platelet-rich fibrin (PRF) from blood in a one-step centrifugation procedure through physiologic clot formation and assumed that the composition of PRF and its regenerative effect is changed after surgical intervention. We collected blood in the clinic and manufactured PRF from patients two days after surgical intervention and compared it to PRF from healthy volunteers. We were able to show that surgical intervention leads to significant alterations in PRF with regard to its proinflammatory potential, whereas the concentration of hematopoietic stem cells was not altered. In the next step it has to be evaluated whether those alterations affect PRF's regenerative potential and so the use in traumatized patients/patient after surgical intervention.

The combination of basic research and clinical research in trauma is very important. More and more regenerative and reparative approaches are being researched and shall be used by clinical surgeons. We must seize the opportunity to participate in the development of these to build them like we need them.

The number of high quality sessions and poster presentations was impressive. It was very difficult to choose between so many interesting topics and prominent speakers. So I can only name a few highlights. "Pelvic Injuries and Severe Bleeding – My Indication for..." was a very interesting session with intensive discussion. Also the sessions "Polytrauma in Children (Younger than 10 Years)" and "Operative Solutions for Distal Tibial Fractures" presented many interesting aspects and techniques.

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Additionally, I was able to visit the beautiful city of Prague. It has wonderful architecture and a colorful history. After the congress, we walked over the famous Charles Bridge and visited the old town near the Vltava River.

ECTES 2019 was a very insightful event with a high scientific level. I was able to enrich my knowledge in trauma and emergency surgery and I am looking forward to the equally interesting 2020 congress in Oslo.

Best regards,
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DO YOU ALSO WANT TO BE CONGRESS GRANT WINNER?

Are you going to attend the 21th European Congress of Trauma and Emergency Surgery taking place in Oslo, Norway (April 26–28, 2020)?

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) after notification of accepted abstracts has been sent out.

To apply for a grant, please return the filled-out application form and all required documents to the ESTES Administrative Office: office@estesonline.org



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Announcements

Upcoming related congresses & courses

Emergency Surgery Course

December 3–4, 2019
New York City, United States of America

Emergency Surgery Course

December 5–6, 2019
New York City, United States of America

MRMI Basic and Instructor Course

December 5–8, 2019
Madeira, Portugal

Swiss Pelvic and Acetabular Course

January 17–18, 2020
Zurich, Switzerland

30 Jahre Minimalinvasive Chirurgie in Österreich

March 19–20, 2020
Linz, Austria

Hip meets Spine – Annual Conference

March 20–21, 2020
Strasbourg, France

Emergency Surgery Course

April 24–25, 2020
Oslo, Norway

ECTES 2020

April 26–28, 2020
Oslo, Norway

International Students' Championships in Trauma Management Simulation

July 3–5, 2020
Wroclaw, Poland

AAST 2020 Annual Meeting

September 16–19, 2020
Waikoloa/HI, United States of America

11th World Congress for NeuroRehabilitation

October 7–10, 2020
Lyon, France

DKOU 2020

October 20–23, 2020
Berlin, Germany

5th World Trauma Congress

October 26–30, 2020
Brisbane, Australia

More congresses and courses to be found in the **ESTES events calendar** at
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