



UK Bulletin

April 2011



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

At last a few rays of sunshine and the yellow heads of daffodils around us which must mean it is spring and therefore time for our ISPO UK spring bulletin! The committee is busy working on a number of forthcoming events. In March I attended the All Parliamentary Limb Loss Group at the House of Commons. The key items for discussion were the guidance on specialised commissioning of services.

There was a general agreement that NHS services for prosthetics, specialised orthotics, special seating and mobility and assistive technologies should be commissioned through the proposed National Commissioning Board. A document highlighting patient concerns over the shortage of prosthetists and orthotists was submitted by the National Health Patients Forum. A number of initiatives were discussed including the new foundation degree in Clinical Technology at the London South Bank University and possible wider implementation within the UK (as already in Germany) of the professional categories of the International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics for technicians. Dr. Andrew Murrison led a discussion about his review for government of prosthetic services for veterans who have lost limbs whilst serving. He is grateful for advice received to date and welcomes further views and opinions. Ultimately there needs to be reconciliation between the NHS provision of services which meet clinical needs and the commitments of the Government under the Military Covenant.

Our next annual scientific meeting on the 7th and 8th October 2011 will be held in London for the first time in many years at the W12 Conference Centre in Hammersmith. Our focus topic will be the dysvascular and diabetic patient ~ current management and issues to consider in to treatment and management. I very much hope that the committee can rely on your support of our annual meeting and look forward to meeting you there!

Planning for the 2012 Trent International Symposium being held in Loughborough University continues to progress well and the programme is under development with a wide variety of speakers and topics. We are also working on

a one day course on medical issues in amputee management ~ details are yet to be confirmed.

I am pleased to report that the committee has welcomed Terry Pond, Professor Jai Kulkarni and Dr. Ramesh Munjal. Lal Landham has taken the position of Vice Chair and treasurer for our society and Terry Pond will assist Colin Dance in producing the e-bulletin and helping to maintain our web site. I wish them all well in their new posts and look forward to working with them over the next 3 years. For the summer bulletin we would certainly welcome any articles or letters from the ISPO membership which can be sent to Colin Dance at colin.dance@nhs.net.

Next, a plea ~ the executive committee has had great orthotic representation from Paul Charlton but we are looking for interested orthotists to join us. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would be keen to become involved!

2012 will be an exciting year for ISPO UK as we will be celebrating our 40 year anniversary. I am hoping to organise a big UK prosthetic and orthotic meeting and to incorporate a celebration of our anniversary. If the membership has any ideas about topics for inclusion at future scientific meetings, then please do let the committee know. I can be contacted directly at laura.burgess@imperial.nhs.uk.

Laura Burgess
Chair ISPO UK NMS



Report from the 2010 BACPAR Meeting

The last BACPAR annual conference and AGM was held on the 15th and 16th November 2010 at the Wolverhampton Science Park. There were approximately 127 delegates, mainly physiotherapists but also occupational therapists, a few prosthetists and an amputee nurse specialist. An exhibition was held where all the major prosthetic companies were represented. The ISPO UK NMS stand was put up to help inform UK physiotherapists in the field about the work of ISPO and the forthcoming world congress meeting in India 2013. I took the opportunity to present Maggie Uden with her prize won at our recent ISPO UK annual scientific meeting in Newcastle.



All delegates were provided with the new Femurett instructional video developed as a joint piece of work between Ossur and BACPAR. Members of the physiotherapy team at Headley Court and the Queen Elizabeth Hospital gave an outline of the rehabilitation pathways and service provision for injured personnel with amputations. Some key points of interest were the high incidence of heterotrophic ossification due to the increase in blast injuries and its impact on pain and rehabilitation. The staffing ration at Headley Court is 1:5 and the multidisciplinary team includes vocational OT, mental health practitioners and exercise rehab instructors (ERI's). The role of ERI was described more fully and they lead a daily morning stretch class, run strength and conditioning sessions and recreational therapy in the form of sports in the evenings. For personnel who have injuries to the genital area there may be an alteration in testosterone levels which can affect bone healing, muscle mass and general mood. The current increase in the number of bilateral transfemoral amputees has seen the emergence of a new activity- "stubbie climbing"!

A team from East Hull and Yorkshire NHS Trust, Nottingham Trent University and the University of Hull presented a randomised controlled trial looking at the difference in using the pneumatic post amputation mobility aid versus the amputee mobility aid. They concluded that there was no significance difference between the two early walking aids in terms of gait pattern, quality of life or 10m walking performance. Katherine Atkin, Portsmouth DSC Physio presented her master dissertation project on the use of the Nintendo Wii fit for balance re-training in transtibial amputees. A relatively small sample of participants used the Wii fit for 20 minutes of balance exercise, twice a week for 6 weeks. There was found to be a statistically significant improvement in balance confidence (measured by ABC-UK) and in functional ability (using the Amputee mobility predictor). It was concluded that the Wii Fit would provide a useful adjunct to rehabilitation in this client group.

Alison Richardson, Clinical Specialist Physiotherapist, from the Anderson Gait Analysis Laboratory, outlined a tool for prosthetic gait analysis ~ The Prosthetic Observational Gait Score (POGS). The measure includes 16 items which are scored 0 (within normal range) to 2 (severely abnormal). Inter-rater reliability of the tool was poor while intra-rater observation reliability was good. Future planned work to come out of this study was a plan to improve reliability, to consider simplifying the score for "real time" analysis and to correlate it with other functional measures.

A team of 3 physiotherapists presented their guideline development work which was undertaken as part of the Post Graduate Certificate in Amputee Rehabilitation at the University of Bradford. They developed a guideline –"Risks to the Contralateral Foot of Unilateral Lower Limb Amputee: A Therapist's Guide to Identification and Management".

In the presentation they discussed the process for developing the guideline and discussed the grades of recommendations and the good practice points for therapists. It was a very good presentation and provides a useful tool for therapists and other multidisciplinary team members working in amputee rehabilitation.

The physiotherapists from the Southwark PCT Rehabilitation Centre outlined their experiences in the prosthetic treatment of unhealed wounds. Patients included are those with wounds 1cm x 1cm or larger at 21 days post-operatively, medically stable to commence out patient rehab and are able to attend a minimum of once weekly review appointments at the centre. A cast is taken over 2 thick socks and prosthetic fitting carried out as per the usual protocol. Amputees attend twice weekly for physiotherapy and have regular wound monitoring. The mean time from fit delivery to wound healing was 102 days and from taking the prosthesis home to the wound being healed was 76 days. The overall benefits were summarised as being able to return to early mobilisation, improvement in joint range of movement, cardiovascular fitness and muscle strength as well as the psychological benefits. There was no reported significant additional time or cost for the prosthetic team.

Mary Jane Cole presented an outline of the six local physiotherapy standards developed for patients with upper limb loss attending Roehampton Rehabilitation Centre. There are currently no national physiotherapy standards of practice for this group of amputees and very little published literature. The role of physiotherapy can contribute positively to a holistic approach to patient assessment, prosthetic prescription and rehabilitation with an emphasis on postural awareness, encouraging normal movement patterns and reducing the risk of overuse.



The seated volleyball coaches showed an excellent video about the sport and then gave a brief presentation on preparations for the paralympic team and developing involvement in the sport nationally. The two days were rounded off with an excellent session run by Carolyn Hirons, Clinical Specialist Physiotherapist, and Toby Carlsson, Consultant Prosthetist on the role of fitness training in prosthetic rehabilitation and running training. They gave a detailed review of the theories behind fitness training and prosthetic provision and alignment for sports and high level activities. This was followed by an informative, stimulating and entertaining patient demonstration on techniques used for assessment and in preparation for running, finishing with how to teach amputees to return to running.

Overall it was an excellent programme and well supported by BACPAR members.

Laura Burgess
(Chair ISPO UK NMS & BACPAR Member)

The College of Occupational Therapists is pleased to announce the launch of the evidence-based guidelines on '*Occupational therapy with people who have had lower limb amputation*'.

Summary

Published by the College of Occupational Therapists, and produced by the College of Occupational Therapists' Specialist Section – Trauma and Orthopaedics and Brunel University, these guidelines have been developed using specialist clinical and academic expertise. They provide evidence-based recommendations for occupational therapy intervention to help support the physical, psychological, social, and environmental needs of people with acquired unilateral or bilateral lower limb amputation.

The recommendations are presented in eight sections including:

- Functional rehabilitation;
- Environment;
- Psychology;
- Prosthetic use;
- Assessment tools and outcome measures;
- Cognition;
- Work;
- Leisure and recreation.

Who is it for?

- Occupational therapists;
- Managers involved in service provision and planning;
- Students and newly qualified occupational therapists;
- Health professionals working with people who have had lower limb amputations;
- Service users;
- Carers.

Key Facts

Free to download from www.cot.org.uk or hard copy available
120 page document

Editors: Anita Atwal, Jane McLaughlin, Georgia Spiliotopoulou

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ISBN: 978-1-995944-25-5

BSRM Events 2011

More details at
www.bsrm.co.uk

BSRM/University of Nottingham Specialist Rehabilitation Course

27 & 28 January 2011 – Derby

Contact: Karen Kirkland, (01332) 785680

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SIGAM 11th Advanced Prosthetic & Amputee Rehabilitation Course

14-16 March 2011 – Stanmore

Contact: Sandy Weatherhead, (01992 638865)

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BSRM/SRR Joint Summer Meeting

3-5 July 2011 – Keele

Contact: Sandy Weatherhead (01992 638865)

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Look out for the call for abstracts !!

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**W12 Conference
Centre, Hammersmith**



London

**ISPO UK Annual Scientific Meeting
7th and 8th October 2011**

The 2011 ISPO UK annual scientific meeting will continue in the same format as we used for the 2010 meeting with the first day being a more prosthetic and amputee rehabilitation orientated day. Our focus topic for 2011 will be the dysvascular and diabetic amputee and we are hoping for a range of speakers for the multidisciplinary team to inform on the current management of this often complex patient group. We have had confirmation from a podiatrist with a special interest in the field of diabetes.

The Blatchford lecture will be given by Andrew JM Boulton, Professor of Medicine at the University of Manchester who has undertaken a vast amount of research in the field and will present on – Advances in the Management of Diabetic Foot Ulcers.

The orthotic day will look to bring together latest research and thoughts on stroke rehabilitation with a view to discuss how this can be best implemented into treatment and management. With this topic we certainly hope to attract a wide multidisciplinary audience.



The Main Lecture Room:
The Oak Suite

Secondary Rooms:
Maple & Ash Suites

The Lounge

For the social event on Friday 7th October, we may head to the River Thames for the evening but this is still in planning stages...

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Laura Burgess
ISPO UK Chair



The George Murdoch Prize

The ISPO UK National Member Society awards this prestigious prize, instituted in honour of the late Professor George Murdoch, every three years. The recipient is awarded the George Murdoch Prize Medal at that year's Annual Scientific Meeting following a 30 minute presentation, based preferably on major research or other original work carried out by the presenter. The subject must be relevant to the field of amputation surgery, prosthetics, orthotics, rehabilitation or bioengineering. Members of all relevant professional disciplines are eligible to submit papers, however, the recipient must be a fully paid up member of ISPO UK NMS. The award will go to someone who demonstrates commitment and a real understanding of the patients' perspective, the need for assessment, the programme of rehabilitation and the measurement of outcome.

The last George Murdoch Prize was awarded in 2008 to Ms Elaine Owen for her paper entitled "The Importance of Being Earnest about Shank and Thigh Kinematics especially when using Ankle-Foot Orthoses".

You are invited to submit a paper for this year's forthcoming ISPO UK NMS Annual Scientific meeting to be held on Friday 7th October 2011 at the **W12 Conference Centre, Hammersmith Hospital, London**. The deadline date for receipt of submissions is **Friday 24th June 2011**.

Applications should be sent to:

ISPO UK NMS,
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Glasgow,
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For more information click http://www.ispo.org.uk/bursaries_prizes.html

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International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics UK National Member Society's

ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING & EXHIBITION

7th & 8th October 2011

W12 Conference Centre, Hammersmith Hospital, London

Building on the success of the new format adopted in Newcastle 2010, the ISPO UK NMS 2011 Annual Scientific Meeting & Exhibition will continue to dedicate its first day to prosthetics on Friday 7th October and follow on with an orthotics' day on Saturday 8th October. The stand alone programmes will again be linked by generic free papers and our Annual General Meeting. We believe this format will continue to provide a clear focus for all delegates particularly given that time, clinical and other commitments continue to prove challenging to all rehabilitation professionals.

In line with previous years, delegates will have the option of registering for one day or the full conference. However, **all single day registrants will now be entitled to attend the final two sessions of day one and the first session of day two** so maximising the opportunity to benefit from all aspects of this multi-disciplinary event.

The annual conference dinner will take place on the evening of Friday 7th October at a venue close to the conference centre: full details will be available shortly.

The **W12 Conference Centre** is ideally located in West London just minutes from London's Underground system, close to the arterial A40, just a few miles from Heathrow Airport and a brief 20 minute walk to the new Westfield London Shopping Centre. Delegates will be free to book their own accommodation from a range of quality hotels within walking distance of the conference centre. A selection of accommodation to suit all budgets will be made available to all delegates and posted on the website at www.ispo.org.uk.

We believe that the central London location, combined with the new format, will make this year's conference a particularly exciting event and we very much look forward to sharing it with you.

For further information on the W12 Conference Centre visit: <http://www.w12conferences.co.uk/index>

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Friday 7th October

Day One - Prosthetics

Technical Developments

Free Paper Presentations

Blatchford Lecture

Prosthetic Programme (Guest Speakers)

Free Paper Presentations

George Murdoch Prize Lecture

Annual General Meeting

Saturday 8th October

Day Two – Orthotics

Free Paper Presentations

OETT Lecture

Orthotics Programme (Guest Speakers)

Free Paper Presentations

Presentation of Prizes

Conference Closes

Conference Dinner - venue to be confirmed



**ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING
W12 CONFERENCE CENTRE
Hammersmith Hospital, London
7 & 8 October 2011**

CALL FOR PAPERS

You are invited to submit abstracts for the free paper sessions. All abstracts should be submitted in the format outlined below. The deadline date for receipt of all abstract submissions is **Friday 24 June 2011**.

Title: **How to lay out a free paper abstract submission**
Presenter: **Name E Pearson, Research Prosthetist, Mr**
Contact Address: Anytown DSC Tel: Telephone Number
Any Street Fax: Fax Number
Anytown E-mail: E-mail address
Post Code
Other Authors: AN Other, Design Engineer, Anytown General Hospital

This instruction, complete with fictitious title and authors, is presented in the format - but **not** the size - to be used for your abstract. It should consist of not more than 500 words, 12pt, justified with single spacing, double spacing for paragraphs and on A4 paper. A 25 mm margin should be left on all sides. Discipline and affiliations should be stated for each of the authors and the presenting author should be in **bold** type.

The abstract is the only means by which a proposed paper can be assessed and, therefore, it should be complete in itself. It should be structured along the following guidelines:

- Aims and objectives for the study or survey or a brief outline of why the work was undertaken.
- The techniques or methods used and the subjects studied.
- An indication or a summary of the actual results. It **will not** be sufficient to include phrases such as "the results will be discussed".
- Conclusions or recommendations or implications arising out of this work.

A maximum of two references may be included and they should be presented in the format used in the ISPO journal *Prosthetics and Orthotics International*.

Acceptance of abstracts will depend upon these instructions being complied with. **In order to be eligible to present your paper you must be registered for the meeting on the day of presentation.** The abstracts may be edited for inclusion in the Compendium, which will be included in the delegates' pack. Authors are reminded, in their own interests, to pay particular attention to the layout and quality of typing.

Please submit your abstract in HARD COPY and E-MAIL format to:-

**ISPO UK NMS Secretariat, PO Box 2781, Glasgow, G61 3YL
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International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics

6th ISPO Central European Conference

in cooperation with the Hungarian Society of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

Hungary, 25-26-27 August, 2011



ISPO Hungary and the Hungarian Society of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation kindly invite you to the 6th ISPO Central European Conference to be held in Nyíregyháza, Hungary, 25-26-27 August 2011. The event will focus on hot issues and latest developments in prosthetics and orthotics. The scientific sessions will be followed by an attractive social program.

LOCATION OF THE CONGRESS

College of Nyíregyháza Building A
H-4400 Nyíregyháza, Sóstói u. 31/B
www.nyf.hu

Nyíregyháza, the capital of Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg County, is located in the North-East part of the country, situated 280 kilometres east from Budapest. It is the 6th biggest city in Hungary with a population of about 120,000. It is often said to be the city of statues and parks, because visitors can find lots of green areas and monuments all over the city. The city centre is worth visiting for its nice cafés, restaurants and elegant shops, where everybody can have a pleasant time.

Because of its location, it is easy - reach from the East part of the country and also from Central-East Europe (Slovakia, Ukraine, Romania). Accordingly this is an ideal venue for an international congress. There are good transport facilities from and to Budapest, from and to neighbour countries' bigger cities. If you arrive by airplane to Budapest, a transfer bus is provided to the congress venue.

Nyíregyháza is a popular tourist destination because of Sóstó (Salt Lake), an area that has two lakes with minerals, providing wonderful cure for loco motor diseases. Sóstó also has an open-air bath with several pools. In 2005 the Aqua Park opened its doors to the public. Visitors can also have a wonderful time at the Zoo, the Village Museum and restaurants or can climb to the observation tower.

Congress website

www.ispo.hu
www.kmcongress.com/ispo2011

Important deadlines

Abstract submission **31 May 2011**
Early registration fee **June 30, 2011**

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Scientific topics

The scientific organizers reserve the right to make changes as seems appropriate.

Upper and lower limb prostheses
Orthotics and footwear
Bionic Prostheses
New technologies, CAD-CAM solutions
Education systems in Central-european countries
Financial backgrounds and it's problems
Spinal orthoses
Diabetic foot
Activity level of the amputees
ICF and rehabilitation

Symposias
Invited speakers of P&O fields and rehabilitation
Work-shops
Oral presentations
Posters

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Abstracts for poster presentation only must be submitted via the submission form on www.kmcongress.com/ispo2011, maximum 1,200 characters of text (excluding name and affiliation).

Deadline for abstract submission: 31 May 2011.

Abstracts received after the deadline will not be considered. The decision of the Abstract Evaluation Committee will be forwarded to the author by e-mail **until 15 June 2011**. Presenting authors must register and pay the registration fee.

Attendance certificate and CME (Continuing Medical Education) credits
Attendance Certificates will be issued by the Congress Secretariat upon registration.
The Meeting will be credited by the Hungarian Medical Chamber.

Registration fees (including 20% VAT)

	before 30 June 2011	after 30 June 2011
ISPO members	200 EUR	250 EUR
Non-members	250 EUR	300 EUR
Residents, university students*	100 EUR	150 EUR
One-day ticket	150 EUR	150 EUR
Accompanying person	80 EUR	80 EUR

**proof of status is required from head of department*

The registration fees for members, non-members and residents include admission to the scientific programs and the exhibition, congress bag with Program and Abstract Books, coffee and refreshment during the breaks, welcome party on **25 August** and, congress dinner on **26 August**. One-day ticket includes admission to the scientific programs and the exhibition, as well as coffee and refreshment during the breaks on the given day. Accompanying persons' fee includes coffee and refreshment during the breaks, welcome party on **25 August** and, congress dinner on **26 August**.

Procedure of payment (bank charges must be paid by the Registrant)

- 1) online by bank card via secure bank line on www.kmcongress.com/ispo2011
- 2) via bank draft made payable to K&M Congress,
account no: IBAN HU90-1030-0002-5120-0040-2630-4885
Hungarian Foreign Trade Bank, Inc., H-1056 Budapest, Váci u. 38.
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SOCIAL PROGRAM AND TOURS

Welcome Party (incl. in the registration fee) **Thursday, 25 August**

Congress Dinner (incl. in the registration fee) **Friday, 26 August**

Sightseeing Tour for accompanying persons

(incl. in the accompanying persons' registration fee) **Friday, 26 August**

All day sightseeing Tour for participants at Budapest*

(Sunday, 28 August 2011) 80 EUR / person

All day sightseeing Tour for participants at region of Tokaj*

(Sunday, 28 August 2011) 50 EUR / person

*minimal number of participants is: 20 pax / sightseeing tour

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The UK Spreads the ISPO word



At the last world congress meeting in Leipzig I found myself having a drink with a doctor of mechanical engineering from Italy. He explained he was enjoying the meeting but there was no ISPO national members society in Italy. I spent some time enthusing the benefits of engaging with other like minded professionals from other disciplines and thought no more of it as we all enjoyed the evening.

I was delighted to receive the communication below

Hi Paul,

I hope you still remember me... the young Italian guy dancing beside you with Birgit, Stefanie and the rest of the crew,

We have also talked about the ISPO in Italy, and finally we are almost ready to conclude the constitution with important professors and institutions in Orthotic and Prosthetic fields. I am still glad about our meeting in Germany and I hope to keep in touch with you.

Marco

Paul Charlton
Immediate Past Chairman



... now firmly established as the premier event dedicated to the management of upper extremity amputees and limb deficient children ...

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT



*... a must-attend event for all professionals involved with
upper limb prosthetics ...*

see and hear the latest research and developments

a unique opportunity to meet with other upper limb specialists

exhibition dedicated to upper limb prosthetics – see the latest products

clinical papers scientific papers instructional sessions manufacturers' workshops

fun and lively social programme



For further information or to register an interest in exhibiting or presenting at TIPS 2012, contact:
Irene Cameron, ISPO UK NMS Secretariat, PO Box 2781, Glasgow, G61 3YL
T/F: ++44 (0) 141 560 4092 E-mail: info@ispo.org.uk Website: www.info.org.uk

The Organising Committee, in conjunction with ISPO UK NMS, cordially invites you to participate at TIPS 2012 – **the premier international event** dedicated to the management of upper extremity amputees and limb deficient children.

TIPS 2012 will again be held at the very successful venue - **Burleigh Court Residential Conference Centre** conveniently located in the heart of the Trent area, in the grounds of Loughborough University, within easy access of both national rail networks and motorways as well as local and international airports.

With high specification meeting rooms, versatile exhibition space, luxury en-suite bedrooms, therapy, spa and leisure complex and award-winning cuisine, this superb venue undoubtedly complements the high quality conference and exhibition for which the **Trent International Prosthetic Symposium** is renowned. Full details, including a virtual tour of this unique residential conference centre, can be found at www.welcometoimago.com.

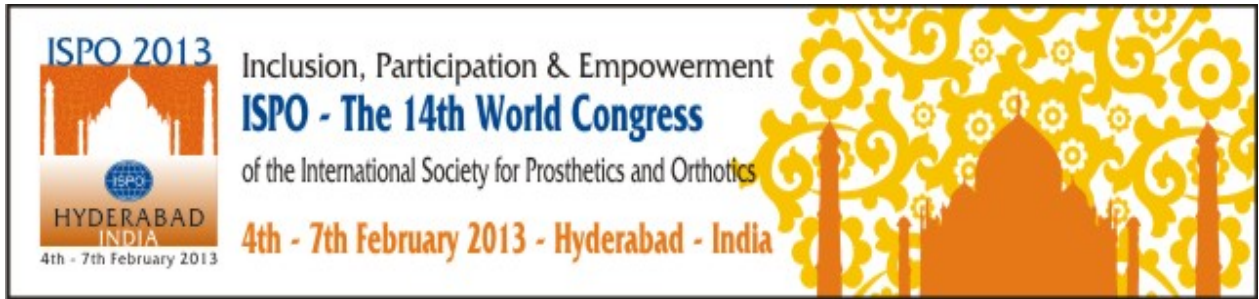
The symposium will follow its traditional format – a mix of guest lectures, invited speakers, free papers, exhibition and manufacturers' workshops – but with some additional features including opportunities for participants to submit short clinical papers developing solutions to challenges encountered in everyday practice; instructional workshops. Together with a lively evening social programme, TIPS 2012 endeavors to provide a multi-disciplinary forum and a wide range of opportunities for delegates to engage with rehabilitation professionals from across the globe.

To register an interest e-mail: info@ispo.org.uk
visit www.ispo.org.uk

For regular updates



With ISPO's 13th World Congress just behind us, we are already looking at ISPO's next global event and are working hard on making sure ISPO 2013 will be a unique experience. ISPO's 14th World Congress will take place in Hyderabad, India on 4-7th February 2013.



Proposal for Instructional Course/Symposium ISPO 2013, 4th - 7th February, Hyderabad India

Proposals for Instructional Courses/Symposia are sought from ISPO members. If you would like to submit a proposal, following the guidelines below:-

This proposal is for an Instructional Course: YES/NO Symposium: YES/NO

1. Title of Proposed Session:
2. Name of Proposer and Chair with professional designation:
3. Contact details of Chair:
4. For Instructional Courses Only
 - Objective:
 - Course content
 - Benefits to Attendees:
 - Intended level of Audience:
5. Why is this topic suitable for a Symposium/Instructional Course?
(in terms of current practices, modern trends etc -max 250 words)
6. Proposed Speakers

Name	Affiliation	Email address	Title of Presentation
Speaker 1			
Speaker 2			
Speaker 3			
etc			

Please email this form to Dr.Ashok Johari, Chair Scientific Committee at scientific@ispo2013.org by July 1st, 2011 with the email subject titled as "Proposal for Symposium/ Instructional Course"

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- The Mental Capacity Act 2005 – The Story So Far
- Guide to Best Practice at the Interface between Rehabilitation and the Medico-Legal Process – What Does it Mean?
- Patients Rights to Refuse Treatment
- The Litigation Process
- Effective Record Keeping
- Giving evidence as a witness of fact or an expert witness. Process – What Does it Mean?

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Full surname:	Job title:
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North East Orthotic Network

On the 24th March 2011 the North East Orthotic Network organized there inaugural meeting in a function room of a pub close to Newcastle city centre. The aim of the meeting was to enjoy a networking and learning event in a relaxed social atmosphere.

The event was well attended and the objective appeared to have been well achieved with a turn-out of approximately 40 people including Consultants, Podiatrists, Orthotists, Physiotherapists and more. enjoying a drink and conversation prior to and after the main event

The meeting went to plan with the presentation starting at 7.30, and with the follow-up of an informal multi-disciplinary discussion, it finished at 8.30.

Mr. Peter Briggs FRCS Consultant orthopaedic surgeon specializing in foot and ankle delivered an excellent presentation on tibialis posterior dysfunction which led to discussion well after the event.

There was considerable positive feedback following the event and therefore NEON is up and running with future events to be circulated in the near future.

Our next meeting is on The A-Footprint project (see www.afootprint.eu) on 21st July

Should you wish to be put on our circulation list, please drop an e-mail to neon@peackocksmedical.net

We look forward to seeing you