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# EPOS NEWSLETTER

## December 2021

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Dear EPOS members, colleagues and friends,



Please enjoy the winter edition of our EPOS newsletter and don't forget to join our **annual EPOS meeting in Copenhagen** in April 2022, which gets really close! You are warmly welcomed by the Danish local hosts!

During the year EPOS webinars and courses are another learning opportunity for EPOS members. Continue to learn and to exchange with others and don't forget to **extend your EPOS membership 2022!**

Our EPOS onsite courses are back in 2022! Please, be aware about the **specific Covid-19 regulations of the host country** of each EPOS course and the annual EPOS meeting in Denmark and keep yourself regularly informed.

I wish you a merry Xmas, all the best for 2022 and happy winter holidays from Austria!

Stay safe and healthy!

**Renata Pospischill MD**

Vienna, Austria

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## Transfer of EPOS Educational Committee Chair

Dear colleagues and friends,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank EPOS for allowing me to organize and oversee all teaching activities over the past four years.

At the end of the EPOS BAT Trilogy Part I, March 2022 course, I will pass the torch

to Sebastian Farr, MD who will take the reins of the EPOS Education Committee for the upcoming three years.

I am sure that he will further improve the level of education, and that the EPOS Community will appreciate his skills, competences and human qualities.

Yours,

**Federico Canavese**

EPOS Education Committee Chair (2018-2022)



Prof. Dr. Federico Canavese



Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sebastian Farr

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## **Stay at the forefront of Paediatric Orthopaedics with your EPOS Membership!**

On behalf of the EPOS leadership and the EPOS Membership Committee, please let us take this opportunity to remind all our members to check for any outstanding membership fees and make sure to settle any open payments until 31 December 2021.

To find out about the exact amount due please [just login to your member account](#) and check for the open orders within your account.



As an EPOS Member, you know that our society is dedicated to promote research, education and collaboration of experts in the field of paediatric orthopaedic childcare. We consider exchange of knowledge and experience between colleagues as a keystone for continuous improvement.

By engaging in our society, EPOS Members help us strengthen this network of experts in the field of paediatric orthopaedic surgery.

And with your help, we would like to enlarge this circle even more:

All you need to do is spread the word and talk to your colleagues about how important their contribution will be!

We will be delighted to welcome as many new EPOS members as possible and are convinced that with all the support we already have from our loyal members plus all the contributions from our future members, we will be able to foster our mission within the paediatric orthopaedic community even more.

For further information about the different membership categories and the application process, please refer to the EPOS website <https://www.epos.org/membership> or the EPOS Central Office, the membership support at [membership@epos.org](mailto:membership@epos.org).

**Thank you all for your support and your continuous engagement!**

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## **EPOS 2022 Annual Meeting**



We invite you to join us to the upcoming EPOS Annual Meeting to take place from [6-9 April 2022](#), in [Copenhagen, Denmark](#)

EPOS 2022 will be a magic and unforgettable Congress. The meeting & the city where we will finally meet each other again!

Do not miss this chance... We are waiting for you! [REGISTER NOW](#)

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## Educational Activities: [EPOS webinars](#)

During the COVID-19 pandemic, EPOS set up two schedules of live webinars, which were prepared by the EPOS Study Groups, and by default were a free of charge.

- The replays of all EPOS webinars are available on [EPOS Youtube channel](#).
- You will also find the links for the [replays on the EPOS website](#) (registration mandatory).

### Upcoming webinars:

Topic: Lower limb • **Congenital Femoral Deficiency and Fibular Hemimelia**

21 January 2022 | Time TBC

Topic: Upper limb • **Nerve injuries in the upper limb**

19 February 2022 | 18:00 CET

For further information, please visit: <https://www.epos.org/webinars-serie2>

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## Educational Activities: [Courses](#)

EPOS is proud to inform that the onsite events including courses are back as of 2022. The [complete list of the onsite courses](#) with further information can be found on the EPOS website under Education.

**Important information related to Covid-19 when attending to EPOS onsite courses in 2022** -updated December 2021-

**Course Destination: Geneva, Switzerland**

“Health pass”\* is requested by the venues and every participant entering in the venue premises need to be able to demonstrate of having one.

*\*What is the “Health Pass”? Three scenarios:*

- a) Vaccinated Persons: Valid EU Digital COVID Certificate or similar including a QR code.
- b) Cured Persons: COVID certificate after being cured from COVID-19 issued by participant’s local Health Authorities.
- c) People who tested negative: PCR Test: 72 hours after sample collection.
- d) People who tested negative: Rapid Antigen Test: 48 hours after sample collection.

**Course Destination: Vienna, Austria**

Only vaccinated or cured participants are allowed to attend a course.  
If vaccinated twice or cured only than not longer than 6 months ago.

Please be also aware that the Covid-19 regulations vary between the countries and may change regularly and rather rapidly. Therefore, interested participants should keep themselves regularly informed when deciding to attend to EPOS onsite course(s).

EPOS does not take any responsibility of the cancellation of participant’s travel arrangements related to the EPOS onsite courses.

• **7 January 2022**

EPOS ADVANCED COURSE ON CP: E-LEARNING EVENT

*Venue: Virtual • Registration: currently OPENED*

This is an e-learning course, which includes pre-recorded lessons, pre- and post-exams as well as one online “LIVE” day, which will include short wrap-ups of the topics to introduce interactive case discussions with some of the faculty members and the participants.

The live virtual day will be held on Friday 7th of January 2022. All the registered participants are invited to take part in this virtual live day.

For further information including the [scientific programme](#), please visit [EPOS website](#).

• **27-28 January 2022 (new dates!)**

EPOS ADVANCED PEDIATRIC ARTHROSCOPY CADAVER COURSE (2nd EDITION)

*Venue: Swiss Foundation For Innovation And Training In Surgery (SFITS), Geneva, Switzerland • Registration: currently OPENED – only 40 places available and are filled with first comes first served basis.*

The 2nd Edition of the EPOS Advanced – Cadaver-lab course is aimed at paediatric orthopaedic surgeons, but also fellows, willing to improve their surgical skills as well as their understanding of arthroscopic management of paediatric sports injuries. It is a unique hands-on opportunity to learn and practice the latest techniques, including paediatric/adolescent soft tissue and bony procedures.

For further information including the [scientific programme](#), please visit [EPOS website](#).

- **9-11 March 2022**

7th EPOS BAT Instructional Course Trilogy, Part I

*Venue: Orthopaedic Speising Hospital, Vienna, Austria • Registration: will be opened during December 2021*

ONSITE course is now confirmed with a limited number of participants due to COVID-19. The current maximum number of accepted participants is set to 80 (December 2021). The places will be filled in with first comes first served basis and due to a high demand of this course, we are unable to accept pre-registrations.

Please remember to regularly check [EPOS webpage](#) for updates including registration link for the course.

- **11-13 May 2022**

EPOS Advanced Course – Motion Analysis for Pediatrics Orthopaedic Surgeons

In collaboration with the European Society of Motion Analysis in Adults and Children (ESMAC)

*Venue: Orthopaedic Hospital Speising, Vienna, Austria • Registration: will open in the beginning of 2022 • Pre-registration list: if you would like to pre-register for the course before we officially open the registration, please email to [courses@epos.org](mailto:courses@epos.org) and we will inform you personally once the registration opens.*

The course is aimed at paediatric orthopaedic surgeons, residents and fellows who want to improve their understanding of the multiple roles of motion analysis in modern paediatric orthopaedic surgery. The course will not focus on neuromuscular disease only and is not intended to replace a traditional gait course. Several renewed experts in the field will deliver lectures addressing all aspects of motion analysis, from the traditional complete 3D gait analysis up to basic tools that may help the paediatric orthopaedic surgeon in clinical and surgical patient management.

- **12-14 October 2022**

7th EPOS BAT Instructional Course Trilogy, Part II

*Venue: Orthopaedic Speising Hospital, Vienna, Austria • Registration: Will open in summer 2022*

- **25-26 November 2022**

EPOS ADVANCED COURSE – PEDIATRICS HAND AND UPPER EXTREMITY SURGERY

*Venue: Orthopaedic Hospital Speising, Vienna, Austria • Registration: will open end of summer 2022*

The course is aimed at paediatric orthopaedic surgeons, residents and fellows who want to improve their understanding of paediatric hand and upper extremity surgery. Several renewed experts in the field will deliver multiple lectures addressing all aspect of hand upper extremity pathologies, including diagnosis, surgical treatment and management of complications. The program will include congenital, posttraumatic deformities and obstetrical brachial plexus palsy topics.

- **26-28 January 2023**

EPOS ADVANCED COURSE – LOWER LIMB DEFORMITY COURSE

*Venue: Orthopaedic Hospital Speising, Vienna (Austria) • Registration: Will open in autumn 2022*

This event is aimed at paediatric orthopaedic surgeons, residents and fellows who want to improve their understanding and skills in lower limb deformity correction. Several renewed experts in the field will deliver multiple lectures addressing all aspect of diagnosis, deformity planning, surgical treatment, and management of complications for common and rare paediatric deformities. The program will include congenital, posttraumatic and metabolic deformities. Please regularly visit <https://www.epos.org/education> for any updates concerning EPOS Educational Activities.

*For any additional information you might need please contact us at [courses@epos.org](mailto:courses@epos.org)*

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## Educational Activities: [EPOS Research Grants](#)

EPOS is delighted to announce that the following study projects have been accepted in EPOS Research Grant 2021.

### € 10,000.00 Grantees

- **Christiaan van Bergen, The Netherlands:** “The CARE trial: Casting and Rehabilitation for osteochondral lesions of the talus in the skeletally immature: improved quality of life and protection towards early osteoarthritis”
- **Sebastian Farr, Austria:** “Shoulder dysplasia in longitudinal deficiencies of the upper extremity”
- **Marco Turati, Italy:** “EPOS Discoid Meniscus (DiMe) Project: a Prospective Multicentric Cohort Protocol”

## € 2,000.00 Grantees

- **Christian Wong, Denmark:** “Assessment of Guided Growth after Corrective Hip Surgery in Children with Cerebral Palsy by Conventional Xrays - A national multicentre study”
- **Jan Duedal Rölfing, Denmark:** “Can donor site morbidity in children be eradicated? Is donor bone graft equally efficient as patient bone graft in flat foot surgery in children?”
- **Alejandro Peiró and Laura Corominas, Spain:** “Extension of a feasibility study to compare full-time and night-time brace treatment in AIS patients”
- **César García Fontecha, Spain:** “Exploring the relationship between Legg-Calvé-Perthes disease (LCPD) and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)”
- **Jaap J. Tolk, The Netherlands:** When to discard Pavlik treatment for dislocated hips? Assessment of hip reduction and improvement of femoral head position in Pavlik treatment for DDH patients using trans-inguinal ultrasound
- **Christoph Radler and Yael Gelfer, Austria:** “The correlation between clinical outcomes and quality-of life with clubfoot treatment and treatment of clubfoot recurrence in school age children. A multi-centre study”
- **Marianne Koolen, Fien de Nies and Melinda Witbreuk, The Netherlands:** “Clubfoot-Calf study: 3D ultrasound of the calf in children with clubfeet”

For any questions concerning EPS Research Grants, please contact EPOS via [researchgrants@epos.org](mailto:researchgrants@epos.org) or visit <https://www.epos.org/research-grants>.

**Congratulations to the Recipients of EPOS Research Grants 2021!**

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## Educational Activities: Travelling Fellowships

### POSNA-EPOS Travelling Fellowship 2020 postponed to spring 2022

Due to COVID-19, 2020 POSNA-EPOS Travelling Fellowship Programme was postponed by two years. The EPOS leadership together with POSNA has now decided to re-schedule the fellowship for spring 2022 with the previously accepted POSNA fellows.

That being said, EPOS keeps accepting new applications to the travelling fellowship programme but it is important to note that the applications which will be received during 2022 will not be evaluated before autumn 2022 once the deadline is over on the 30 September 2022.

The 2020 EPOS-SLAOTI Travelling Fellowship remains postponed until otherwise decided by EPOS and SLAOTI.



Interested applicants can always [submit their applications via an online form](#).

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