



## **OTA Business Meeting Minutes**

**March 14, 2025**

**San Diego, CA**

- I. The meeting was called to order by Douglas W. Lundy, MD, FIOTA, OTA President at 12:20pm PT.
- II. The minutes of the October 2024 OTA Business Meeting were previously shared with the membership via the OTA website, newsletter and email. Dr. Lundy called for a request for edits or corrections, none were brought forth.
- III. President's Report: Douglas W. Lundy, MD, FIOTA, OTA President

### **(a) Awards**

Dr. Lundy acknowledged the following 2024 award recipients. (full author acknowledgements available on the OTA website)

#### ***2024 Annual Meeting Awards***

##### Bovill Award

Title: Is Aspirin an Effective Thromboprophylaxis in High-Risk Patients? A Comprehensive Subpopulation Analysis of the PREVENT CLOT Study  
Presenting Author: Sandip P. Tarpada, MD

##### Basic Science Award

Title: IL-1 Receptor Antagonist Rescues Chondrocytes from Cellular Death Following Intra-Articular Fractures in a Porcine Pilon Fracture Model  
Presenting Author: Tyler J. Thorne, MD

##### Best International Paper Award

Title: Delayed Surgery Increases the Rate of Infection in Closed Long Bone Fractures in Low- and Middle - Income Countries  
Presenting Author: Francisco Gomez Alvarado, BA

##### Resident – Best Paper Award

Title: It Is Feasible and Effective to Deliver Brief Mindfulness Training Recordings to Orthopaedic Trauma Patients: Results from a Pilot RCT  
Presenting Author: Luke A. Myhre, MD

## ***2024 OTA Distinguished Awards***

Lifetime Achievement Award: James Kellam, MD

DEI and Health Disparities Research and Leadership Award: Toni McLaurin, MD

Community Surgeon Achievement Award: Danielle Nicole Ries de Chaffin, MD

Mentorship Award: David Goodspeed, MD

**Action Item**: Dr. Lundy announced the deadline for 2025 OTA Award submissions is June 30, 2025. Members are encouraged to consider nominating colleagues and/or applying.

### ***The following Leadership Acknowledgements were noted:***

Emil Schemitsch, MD, FIOTA: OTAI Emeritus Editor-in-Chief

Paul Tornetta, MD, FIOTA: Fellows Course Emeritus Chair

Hassan Mir, MD, FIOTA: Publications Committee Chair

### ***2024 JOT Supplement Funding Award***

Roberto Hernandez-Irizarry, MD, MSc and Stephen Quinnan, MD

Title: Circular Fixation and Bone Transport for the Trauma Surgeon: A Primer

### ***2024 OTA Keystone Honor Award***

Dr. Lundy reported details of the new OTA Keystone Honor Award:

- Provides a way to honor the life-changing contributions of mentors in your life.
- Platform to express gratitude, celebrate the guidance and support that have defined countless professional journeys, and further the legacy of those who served as keystones in advancing the field.
- Through this recognition, we aim to solidify the lasting influence of these mentors while supporting continued growth and excellence of the OTA.

Dr. Lundy congratulated Emil Schemitsch, MD, FIOTA on being the 1<sup>st</sup> recipient of the OTA Keystone Honor Award.

### **(b) Donor Acknowledgements**

Dr. Lundy extended sincere gratitude for the following generous OTA support, including [Icon](#), [Legend](#), and [Legacy donors](#), as well as all [2024 donors](#).

In addition, he acknowledged members of the [Founders Circle](#). He noted the Founder's Circle was established in 2022 to honor planned giving pledges and gifts. It was noted the name commemorates the 41 Founding Members.

### **(c) Strategic Plan**

Dr. Lundy reviewed the 2024 – 2026 Strategic Plan, which includes revised vision and mission statements. He noted the strategic plan pillars were generated with the input of the membership, and will be front and center to guide the strategy over the next 2 years. Focus over the next 3 years will include the categories of education accessibility, high quality prospective research, impactful advocacy, global reach and investing in people.

The strategic plan vision, mission and pillars are noted below.

<b>Vision</b> <b>Global excellence in the care of orthopaedic trauma patients.</b>
<b>Mission</b> <b>Empower the orthopaedic trauma community to provide the highest quality patient care through education, research, and advocacy.</b>
Education: Provide the orthopaedic trauma community and patients with high-quality, globally accessible content and education that meets their evolving needs.
Research: Advance the care of orthopaedic trauma patients by identifying, initiating, supporting, and disseminating innovative and collaborative research.
Advocacy: Advocate for high-quality trauma patient care by providing evidence and insights to inform and influence health systems and public policy.
Global Partnership: Serve as the leading resource for partners to deliver the highest possible quality of musculoskeletal trauma care worldwide.
People: Empower orthopaedic colleagues to thrive in their careers and lives through mentorship, professional support, and commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion.

### ***Noteworthy and Aligned with the Strategic Plan***

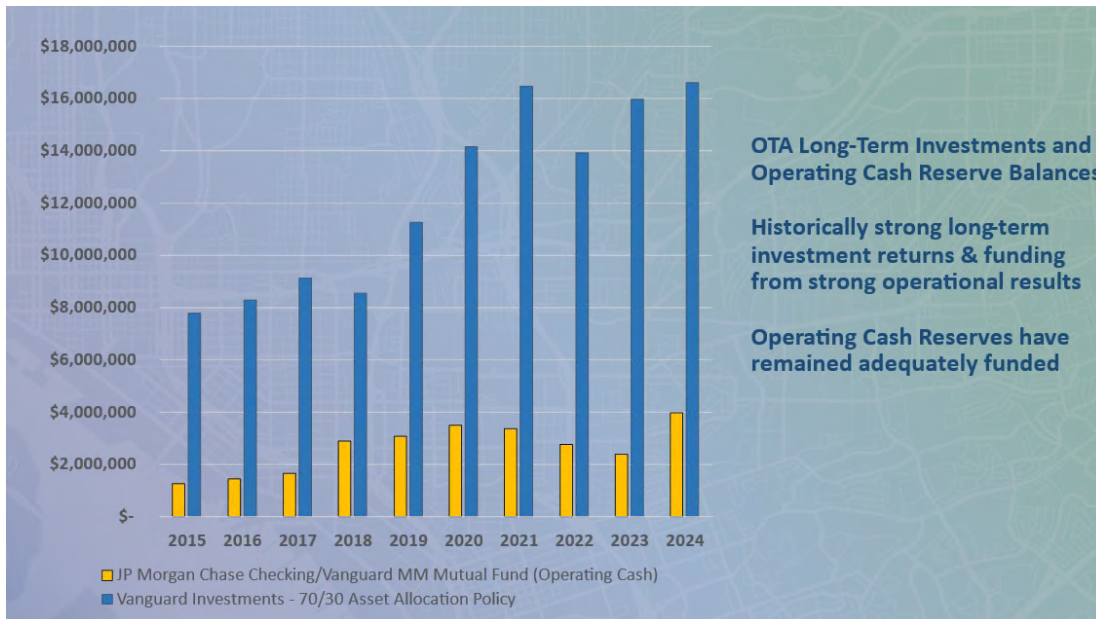
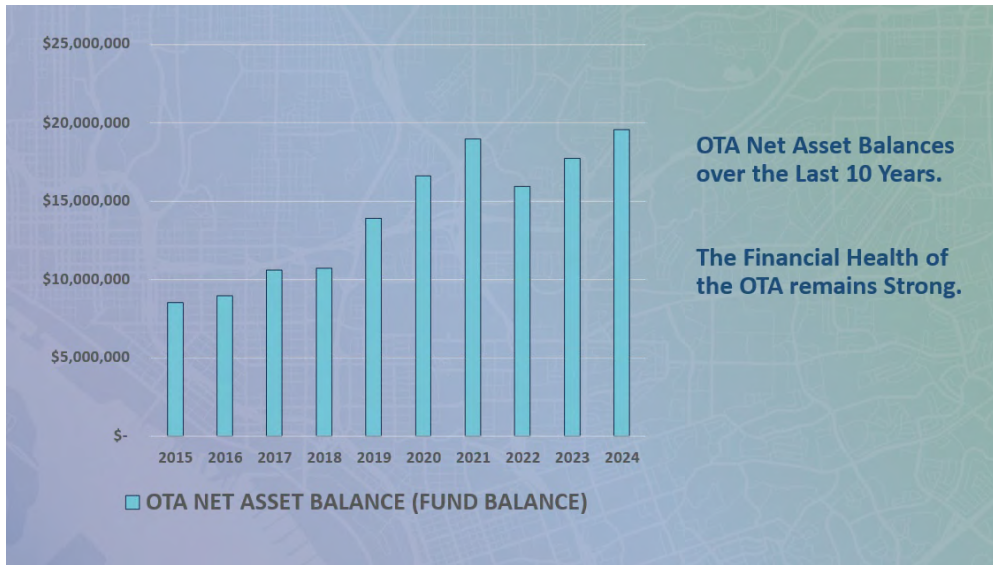
- FractureBook: Launching August 2025, complimentary to all
- New Arthroplasty for Fracture Surgeons: November 6 – 7, Las Vegas
- Workgroups making great strides:
  - Resource limited Settings Online Education workgroup (Mai Nguyen and Carla Smith)
  - LMIC Mentorship workgroup (Emily Benson and Saam Morshed)
- Moral Injury, Advocacy and Physician Well-Being Committee completed an OTA Playbook for Career Satisfaction and Combating Moral Injury and Burnout (now available on the OTA website)
- Diversity Committee: will run the 4<sup>th</sup> High School Scholars program in 2025
- The OTA Patient Mental Health Committee created patient experience videos to share personal stories and coping strategies, along with providing a range of support resources available on OTA's website
- Mentorship Programs: Resident and Early Career Mentorship Program, Career Development Mentorship, Research Mentor Program

IV. CFO Report

Michael Suk, MD, JD provided the CFO report. He noted:

- Finances are Sound (although impacted by the stock market)
- Research and Education are highly prioritized and funded
- Increasing Global Outreach and OTA Initiatives
- Future Growth will require:
  - Revenue Sources
  - Internal – Annual Meeting, Investments, Member Dues & Donations
  - External – Industry Partners, Philanthropy

The following slides were presented by Dr. Suk:

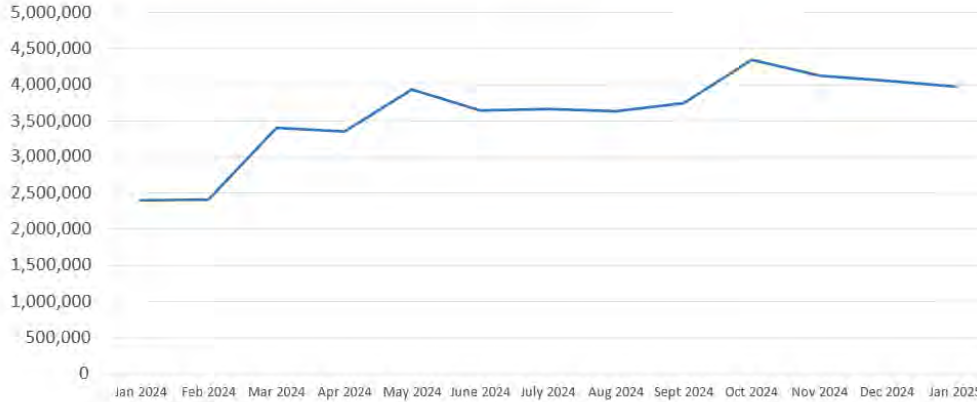


### Operating Cash Reserve Balance: January 2024 January 2025

**POLICY: Operating Cash Reserve Balance** available at the beginning of any month shall not be less than **6 months** of the current year's operating expense budget

2024 operating cash reserve policy min. required balance = \$3,530,000

2025 operating cash reserve policy min. required balance = \$3,793,400



\* Feb. 2024: \$1 million transferred from Vanguard investment account to Vanguard money market.

### OTA 2025 Budget

	2025	2024	Preliminary	
	Annual	Annual	2024	2023
	Budget	Budget		
General Society	\$(1,740,600)	\$(1,571,517)	\$(1,605,936)	\$(1,354,554)
Publication Committee/OTA Online	176,100	283,500	264,720	335,050
Annual Meeting	1,085,700	1,177,000	1,839,348	864,776
Specialty Day	6,000	(21,050)	15,485	2,005
Courses	(195,910)	(136,700)	(186,131)	(207,057)
Research and Education	<u>(477,500)</u>	<u>(341,500)</u>	<u>(194,010)</u>	<u>(120,310)</u>
Net Increase (decrease) from Operations	\$ (1,146,210)	\$ (610,267)	\$ 133,476	\$ (480,090)
Investment Income, net	1,300,000	1,280,000	1,677,122	2,299,869
Total Net Increase	\$ 153,790	\$ 669,733	\$ 1,810,598	\$ 1,819,779

#### 2025 Budget Reflects

Spending supports key mission-based initiatives (Education, Research, IT, Humanitarian and International Growth)

Moderate Investment Returns

Annual Meeting Revenue recovery since COVID

Increased General Society expense in support of new initiatives

## V. **New Business**

### **Nominating Committee Presentation**

Dr. Lundy presented the recommended slate of candidates proposed by the 2025 Nominating Committee, on behalf of Dr. Schemitsch, Nominating Committee Chair.

2<sup>nd</sup> President Elect – George Russell, MD  
BOD Member-at-Large – Saam Morshed, MD, PhD

A formal vote to approve the slate will be sent to voting members via email.

### OTA Membership Committee

Mai Nguyen, MD  
Utku Kandemir, MD  
Malcolm DeBaun, MD

Dr. Lundy noted the following:

- Members selected by vote of the Association
- Open process of Candidate Nomination for available offices
- All Nominations discussed and considered
- Transparency in Deliberations/Democratic Participation
- Committee is Committed to Confidentiality
- Decisions announced at Business Meeting

All terms will begin at the Business Meeting, October 16, 2025

## VI. **Committee Reports**

The following Committees presented update reports.

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| - Program Committee      | Nirmal Tejwani, MD       |
| - Publications Committee | Hassan Mir, MD           |
| - Education Committee    | Thuan Ly, MD             |
| - Research Committee     | Prism Schneider, MD, PhD |

The committee reports are attached as informational items.

## VII. **Adjourn**

With no further business, Dr. Lundy adjourned the meeting at 12:20 pm.





# Committee Reports

# Program Committee Members

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- Nirmal C. Tejwani, MD, Program Chair
- Leah Gitajn, MD, MS, Program Co-Chair
- Animesh Agarwal, MD
- Niloofar Dehghan, MD, MSc
- Cliff B. Jones, MD, FIOTA
- Mark Lee, MD
- Samir Mehta, MD
- Reza Firoozabadi, MD
- Harmeeth Uppal, MD, MS
- Emily Wagstrom, MD





# Abstract Submissions



2024

- 1429 Total Abstract Submissions
  - 1315 Podium
  - 7 Late Breaking
  - 15 Main Symposium
  - 32 New Technique Video
  - 60 Breakout

The committee will meet on March 27 to review graded submissions and decide on program content.

# Abstract Submissions 2014-2025





# Annual Meeting Program



## Annual Meeting Program

- Increase the number of podiums accepted, approximately 80
- Reduce the number of breakouts
- Add a New Technique Video session

## Pre-Meeting & Concurrent Courses

Continue with the following:

- Basic Science Focus Forum
- Educate the Educators – OTA Faculty Development Course
- OTA Member Firesides (include Senior Surgeon)
- High School Scholars Program
- Orthopaedic Trauma for PAs and NPs
- International Trauma Care Forum
- Soft Tissue Coverage Skills Course
- Pelvis and Acetabulum Course
- Resident Comprehensive Fracture Course
- New! Advanced Case Controversies Course (Resident)

# Annual Meeting Program Continued



## Pre-Meeting Course Updates

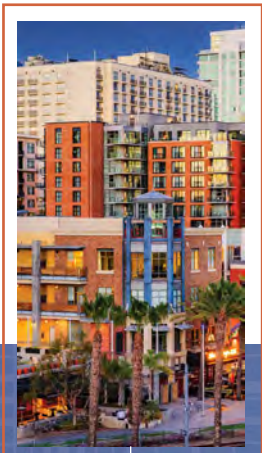
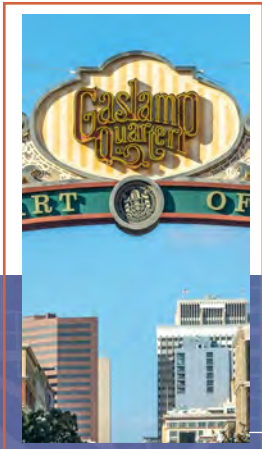
- Boot Camp remains virtual
- CPT Coding transitions to virtual
- YPF rotate off for 2025
- Industry Partner Education Forum discontinued
- OTA Education Forums discontinued



# 2025 IOTA Triennial Meeting

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- Save the Date! **October 21-25** in **Guadalajara, Mexico**
- **\$100 registration discount** for attending the OTA Annual Meeting **and** the IOTA Triennial Meeting
- For more information, visit the [International OTA webpage](#)





# Education Committee Report

Chair: Thuan Ly, MD

# Committee Members

## Education Executive Committee

Thuan Ly  
Brian Mullis (Presidential Consultant)  
Steven Morgan  
Seth Yarboro  
Christopher Lee  
Madhav Karunakar  
Justin Siebler  
Jennifer Bruggers  
Michael Kain

## Ex-Officio Members:

Jaquelyn Kakalecik, Resident member	2026
Toan Le	CME/COI Subcommittee Chair
Frank Liporace	AAOS Trauma Content Committee Chair
Andrew Choo	Arthroplasty Course Chair
Thuan Ly	PA/NP Course Chair (2024)
Heather Wright	PA/NP Course Chair (2024)
Richard Yoon	Fall RCFC Chair (2025)
Jason Halvorson	Fall RCFC Past Chair (2024)
Russell Norris	Spring RCFC Co-Chair (2025)
Matt Rudloff	Spring RCFC Chair (2025)
Lisa Cannada	Core Curriculum Phase VI Project Directors
John Hagedorn	Core Curriculum Phase VI Project Directors
Samir Mehta	Core Curriculum Phase VI Project Directors
Matt Garner	Advanced Course Chair (2025)
David Chafey	Advanced Course Co-Chair (2025)
Paul Tornetta	Fellows Course Chair
Dan Horwitz	Fellows Course Co-Chair
Stephen Kottmeier	Fellows Course Co-Chair
Dan Horwitz	AAOS/OTA Course (2024)
J. Tracy Watson	AAOS/OTA Course (2024)
William Ricci	JOT Editor
David Chafey	Fracture Night in America
Gillian Soles	Educate the Educators/Faculty Development Course
Nicole Ann Zelenski	Hand Education
Tim Moore	Spine Education
Susan Scherl	Peds Education
Carol Lin	ACS COT Rep





# Webinars for 2025



Date	Topic	Moderator
1/22/2025	Displaced femoral neck fractures in young patients	Joseph Patterson
1/29/2025	Reverse shoulder arthroplasty for the trauma surgeon	Niloofer Dehghan
2/26/2025	The business of physician compensation	Douglas Lundy
3/26/2025	Ankle fractures: Modern treatment including underserved patients with diabetes and peripheral neuropathy	Clifford Jones
4/23/2025	Developing a high-functioning trauma practice	Brian Cunningham
4/30/2025	Orthopaedic management of polytraumatized patients - Contemporary treatment and future directions	Augustin Saiz
5/28/2025	Building an orthopaedic research program	Anna Miller
6/25/2025	Nonoperative management of geriatric hip fractures: What do we know?	David Carmack



# Webinars for 2025, continued



Date	Topic	Moderator
7/23/2025	Family planning in orthopaedic trauma	Jane Liu
7/30/2025	Techniques in bystander intervention for OTA members	Breanna Fram
8/27/2025	High energy midfoot trauma	Brian Weatherford
9/24/2025	Elderly acetabulum fractures: When to fix and replace & when to fix and wait	David Stockton

# OTA Core Curriculum 2025

[education.ota.org](http://education.ota.org)

- **New, updated sections**
  - Pelvis & Acetabulum-17 lectures
  - Geriatric-11 lectures
  - Spine-9 lectures
- **Great educational resource!**
- **Project Directors:**
  - Lisa K. Cannada, MD
  - John Hagedorn, MD
  - Samir Mehta, MD





# Orthopaedic Trauma Fellows Course

April 3 - 6, 2025

Hyatt Boston Harbor  
Boston, Massachusetts



**Chair:** Paul Tornetta, MD,  
PhD

**Co-Chairs:** Stephen  
Kottmeier, MD, and Daniel  
Horwitz, MD





# Spring Comprehensive Fracture Course For Residents



## 2025

*Orthopedic Residents  
PGY1-3s, NP & PAs*

**REGISTER NOW!**

LOEWS NASHVILLE HOTEL  
AT VANDERBILT PLAZA  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

**April 2 -5 , 2025**

*Chair: Matthew I. Rudloff, MD  
Co-Chair: Russell J. Norris, MD*



Scholarships Included!

[education.ota.org/courses](https://education.ota.org/courses)



# Other upcoming Courses

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## Arthroplasty for Trauma Surgeons Course

- Chairs: Brett Crist, MD, and Andy Choo, MD
- Las Vegas, NV, November 6 – 7, 2025
- Registration open: 30 total spots
  - 12 spots still open

## Virtual International Resident Course – Latin America

- Scheduled for July 31st - August 1st.
- Registration: May 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Goal of 150 Latin American resident attendees.
- Thank you to the course chairs
  - Miguel Daccarett and Rodolfo Zamora, Michael Kain (outgoing chair) for their leadership and expertise in planning the course



# OTA Research Committee Members

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**Prism Schneider (Chair)**

**Arun Aneja**

**Michael Beltran**

**Patrick Bergin**

**Andrew Duckworth**

**Herman Johal**

**Laurence Kempton**

**Abdel Lawendy**

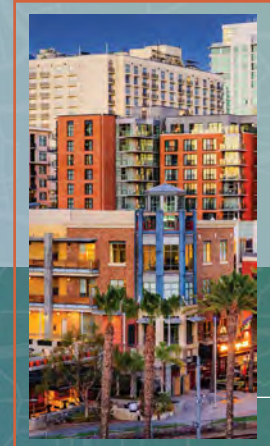
**Aaron Nauth**

**Augustine Saiz**

**Eric Swart**

**David Wellman**

**Zachary Working**





# Research Committee

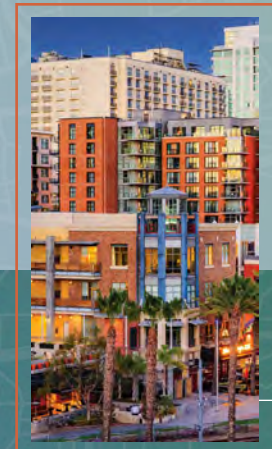
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**In-person meeting Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

## **Continuing Improvements**

- Updating SOP for OTA member survey review.
- Implementation of normalized reviewer scores based on individual Z-scores.
- Updated online platform for improved applicant and reviewer access to grant submissions and reviews.

**Next in-person meeting will be in September for Fall Grant Cycle**



# Summary 2025 Spring Funding Cycle

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## Resident Grant

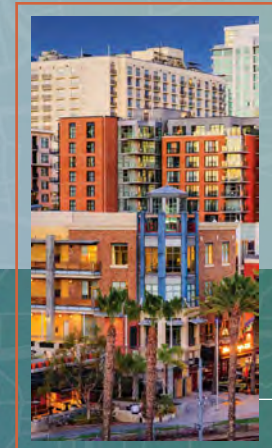
22 proposals submitted

2 grants awarded \$39,938

## Full Member Grant

11 proposals submitted

4 grants awarded \$259,998





# 2025 Resident Grant Awards

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**Title: The impact of a biomimetic hematoma containing bone morphogenic protein (BMP)-2/7 on healing of a critical bone defect in a rat model**

Principal Investigator: Rachael Tolsma, MD

Co-Investigator: Christopher Doro, MD

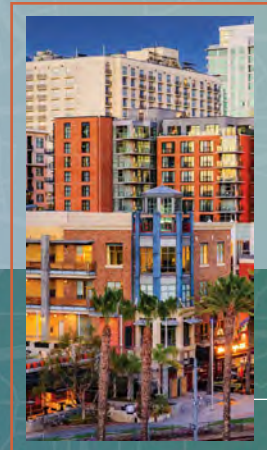
Awarded Funds: \$19,938

**Title: A Biomechanical Evaluation of Stress Distribution in Healed Distal Femur Fractures Treated with Lateral Plating**

Principal Investigator: Lisa Tamburini, MD

Co-Investigator: David Stroh, MD

Awarded Funds: \$20,000





# 2025 Full Member Grant Awards

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## **Title: Intraoperative Fluorescence Imaging of Biofilm to Guide Surgical Debridement and Hardware Management in Fracture Related Infections**

Principal Investigator: Leah Gitajn, MD

Co-Investigator: Jonthan Elliott, PhD

Awarded Funds: \$50,000

## **Title: Uncovering the genetic basis of atypical femur fractures**

Principal Investigator: Phillip Leucht, MD

Co-Investigator: Sophie Morgani, MD

Awarded Funds: \$50,000





# 2025 Full Member Grant Awards

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## **Title: A Pilot Randomized Controlled Trial Comparing Opioid-Free Versus Usual Care Analgesic Prescriptions At Discharge After Fracture Fixation**

Principal Investigator: Arun Aneja, MD, PhD

Co-Investigator:

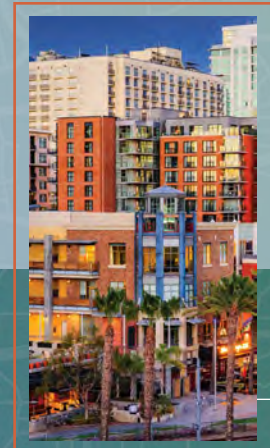
Awarded Funds: \$79,998

## **Title: Does Metformin Improve Functional Recovery Following Hip Fracture: A Double Blind Randomized Clinical Pilot Trial**

Principal Investigator: Justin Haller, MD

Co-Investigator: Micah Drummond, MD

Awarded Funds: \$80,000





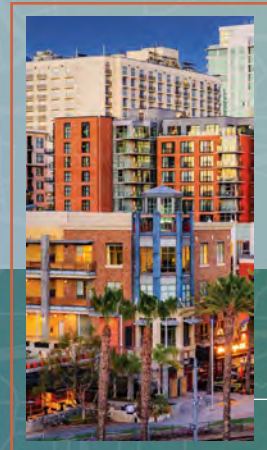
# Publications Committee

Michael J. Gardner, MD  
Chair

# Video Library

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- Phillip Mitchell (chair)
- 288 Procedures and Techniques videos
- 1073 Annual Meeting and Conferences videos
- Curation/review project planned for existing P&T videos to maintain currency and relevance

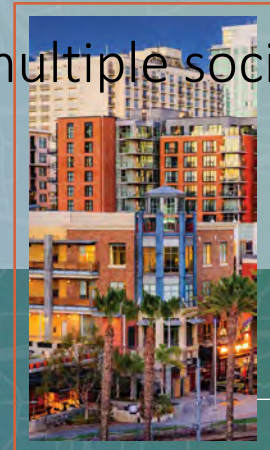




# Podcast Subcommittee

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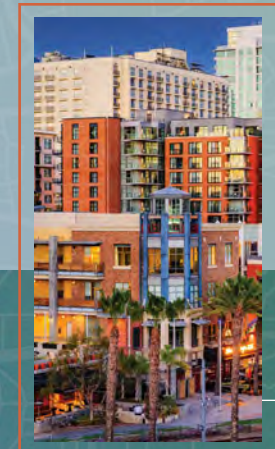
- **Michael Blankstein, chair**
- 245 episodes released through Feb 25, 2025
- 350,943 total downloads through Feb 25, 2025
- 3900 average listens per month from Feb 2024 through Jan 2025
  - Residents highest demographic
- Subcommittee developing pilot program to incorporate video versions of podcast episodes on OTA's YouTube Channel to further enhance engagement and reach.
  - The plan is to be able to use video snippets and share them across multiple social platforms.





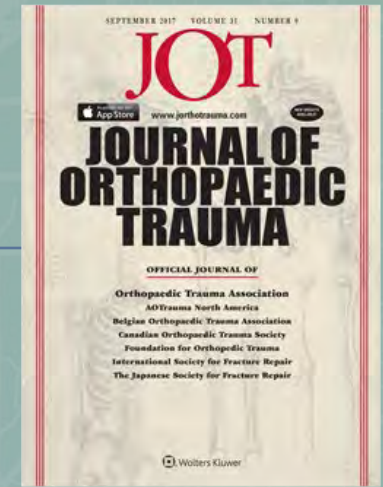
# OTA International

- **Andrew Schmidt(E-i-C)**
- OTA committees published two manuscripts with OTA support
- Annual Meeting BSFF and ITCF supplement timeline advanced so supplements can be published in coordination with following year OTA Annual Meeting
- Supplements currently in development:
  - 2023 Basic Science Focus Forum
  - 2023 International Trauma Care Forum
  - IOTA State of Orthopaedic Trauma Registries Worldwide
  - Merging Human and Machine: Prosthetics Anchored to Bone
  - 2024 Basic Science Focus Forum
  - 2024 International Trauma Care Forum





# Journal of Orthopaedic Trauma



- Bill Ricci (E-i-C)
- Supplements published since October 2024:
  - AO Trauma North America Funded Research: Fellows and Early Career Grants. A Tribute to Andrew Burgess.
- Supplements currently in development:
  - 2025 OTA Video supplement
  - Circular Fixation and Bone Transport for the Trauma Surgeon: A Primer (eds. Roberto Hernández-Irizarry and Stephen Quinnan)
  - Release date chosen: Sept. 1, 2025

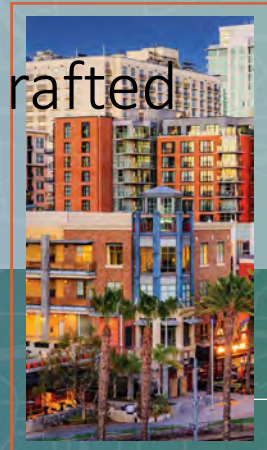




# OTA FractureBook

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- Anna Miller (E-i-C), Hassan Mir (Deputy E-i-C)
- Marketing plan underway based on that date
- Content development proceeding, with content entry and final review underway on numerous chapters
- Many LMIC sections have been delivered
- Pediatrics section under development with several chapters drafted

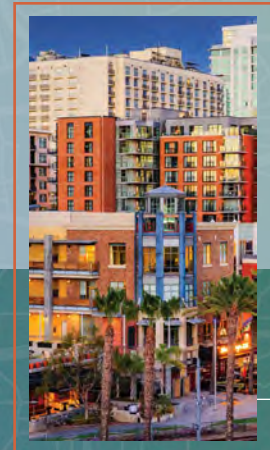




# Other projects

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- Mike Gardner, Steve Warner, Mai Nguyen
- Increasing involvement of partners outside North America
- Building educational resources, such as webinars or symposiums and/or mentorship on the topic of "pathways to publication"
- Developing educational resources regarding journal reviewer opportunities





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# Thank You

