2015 Annual Meeting
Las Vegas, NV: Sands Expo and Convention Center
Meeting: March 24-28 Exhibits: March 25-27

The Annual Meeting is the Academy’s premier event and draws 30,000 participants including Academy Fellows, members, international guests, allied health professionals, and exhibitors.

If you are a member of one of the categories listed below, please click on the appropriate link to access a special section just for you! Make sure to come back and check out the rest of the guide for general information.

- I am a resident.
- I am an international participant.

Looking for information on a specific topic?

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Guide to the Annual Meeting

Learning about the Meeting
A wealth of information about the Annual Meeting can be found at: www.aaos.org/annual

On the Annual Meeting page you will find all of the important information needed to attend the meeting. There are five key areas of information: Education, Exhibits, Housing, Registration, and Travel Information.

Navigate the Annual Meeting from your mobile device! My Academy is the app for the meeting and is available in the iTunes Store and Google Play Store. Gain access to the following, plus much more:

- Education schedules
- General information
- Participant listing
- Exhibitor booths
- Speakers
- Session evaluations

The My Academy app also allows you to customize your schedule and download it into your calendar to help you stay organized while at the meeting.

When you register for the Annual Meeting, you will receive a personal activation code that enables you to download the My Academy app. If you have already registered for the meeting, please check your e-mail to locate the code. If you are planning on registering on-site, you will receive your activation code by email, moments after your registration is complete. All activation codes will be sent to the e-mail provided at registration or in your Personify record.
Please click here to watch a short presentation on the resources and capabilities available in the My Academy app. Please note there is no sound in this video.

**Housing**
When you register for the Annual Meeting, remember to also make your housing arrangements. Housing reservations for the upcoming meeting are available throughout the year. You can find a list of hotels and their amenities, distance to the convention center, and other important information at www.aaos.org/housing.

**Travel**
Please visit http://www.aaos.org/amtravel for information on:
- Air travel, including meeting discounts
- Ground transportation
- Hotel shuttles and driving directions

**Social Media**
The Annual Meeting is active online year-round. Follow us now for exclusive access to updates and current information on the latest events and meeting news! You can find us at:
- Facebook page at www.facebook.com/AAOSAnnual
- Twitter page www.twitter.com/AAOSannual

All Academy lounges at the meeting will feature our live Twitter feed. Join the conversation using our official hashtag #AAOS2015

**Registration and Check In**
If you did not register before the meeting, the on-site registration process is quick and easy. Go to Academy Hall G, pick up a registration form and begin selecting courses and Specialty Day events. You will be required to show identification when you register.

If you registered in advance for the meeting, make sure you check in to the meeting as soon as you arrive at the convention center to receive all the CME credits you will earn. The AAOS transcript system does not allow you to claim CME credit for any educational activities you participate in before you officially check in to the meeting.

**Planning your meeting experience**
Our goal is to help you to customize the best Annual Meeting for your individual needs. The meeting has two main components: education and exhibits. There are hundreds of educational and networking opportunities during the meeting, and therefore it is important to plan your days wisely.

In general, most events take place in two-hour increments. Events begin at 8:00 AM and conclude at 6:00 PM, with thirty-minute breaks between sessions. There are some sessions in
one-hour, three-hour and four-hour and all-day increments. Take care when planning your days so that you do not schedule sessions that conflict with one another.

Before registering, spend time reviewing the program and planning your experience. Once registered, you can purchase tickets for Instructional Courses and choose your Specialty Day events. After you register, review the educational program and begin to create your preliminary schedule. There is a wide range of educational activities to enhance your learning. In addition to ticketed Instructional Courses, the meeting offers educational sessions at no cost including symposia, papers, posters, and scientific exhibits.

**Final Program & Specialty Day Program**

There are several visual guides that may be useful as you customize your meeting experience.

- The **Specialty Guide to the Annual Meeting** helps identify events by specialty area, date and time. All types of AAOS educational events are included. Identify the color that corresponds to the specialty area you are interested in and then move to the chosen day/time slot to identify those events.
- The **Instructional Courses Schedule** features Instructional Courses by day, time slot and are highlighted by the specialty area color.

The **Symposia and Paper Presentation** guide identifies presentations by specialty area, day and time.

**Education**

The Academy strives to provide the highest-quality educational opportunities all participants at the Annual Meeting.

The chart on the next page shows the core educational programs available at the Annual Meeting and provides some information to help you identify which types of session would be most beneficial for you. Please watch this [video](#) if you’d like a glimpse of the interactive experience available by joining a Poster Tour.
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| Ask An Expert               | Case discussion with expert analysis.            | X             | X           |                 | 45 minutes  | No  | • want an expert opinion on a case.  
|                             |                                                  |               |             |                 |             |     | • are interested in an interactive experience.                                               |
| Electronic Skills Pavilion  | Technically oriented discussion on office skills and applications. | X             |             |                 | 45 minutes  | No  | • want to explore new technologies or get information to improve your office practice. |
| Instructional Courses       | Tried-and-true techniques in orthopaedics. Experts present lectures and discuss cases. | X             | X           |                 | 2-4 hours   | Yes | • appreciate instruction from experts.  
|                             |                                                  |               |             |                 |             |     | • desire a refresher on scenarios that you do not encounter often.  
|                             |                                                  |               |             |                 |             |     | • want to brush up on your skills.                                                           |
| Orthopaedic Review Course   | Experts emphasize general review of tried-and-true techniques. | X             | X           |                 | 8 hours     | Yes | • need to brush up on the basics.  
|                             |                                                  |               |             |                 |             |     | • are preparing for certification or MOC.                                                   |
| Orthopaedic Video Theater   | Surgical videos and multimedia programs in DVD or online format. |                 | X           | Self Directed   |             | Yes | • benefit from detailed surgical procedures  
|                             |                                                  |               |             |                 |             |     | • learn best individually.                                                                   |
| Paper Presentations         | Oral presentations on new research or an update to a continuing study with brief discussion. | X             |             |                 | 2 hours     | Yes | • are interested in Randomized Clinical Trials (RCTs).  
|                             |                                                  |               |             |                 |             |     | • wish to identify research that has a clinical relevance to your practice.                 |
| Poster Tours                | Experts select their favorite posters in their areas of expertise. |             | X           |                 | 1 hour      | Yes | • want to interact with the experts in a unique small group setting.  
|                             |                                                  |               |             |                 |             |     | • want to stay on top of cutting edge research.                                             |
| Posters                     | New or continuing research in poster format.     | X             |             | Self Directed   |             | Yes | • like to experience learning visually.  
|                             |                                                  |               |             |                 |             |     | • have interest in emergent research.                                                       |
| Scientific Exhibits         | Audiovisual, interactive presentations illustrate a study or complex procedure. | X             |             | Self Directed   |             | Yes | • feel that the interactive visual experience enhances your learning.                     |
| Symposia                    | Cutting edge topics featuring debates.           | X             |             |                 | 2 hours     | Yes | • are interested in theory.  
|                             |                                                  |               |             |                 |             |     | • want to identify new trends and data.  
|                             |                                                  |               |             |                 |             |     | • enjoy debates.                                                                           |
Beyond the core programs, there are a variety of other specialized offerings you may wish to consider attending.

- **Case Presentation Courses** offer a round table discussion led by an expert faculty facilitator. The course moderator presents the case to the participants, sharing images and data via laptop. The facilitator then leads individual table discussion, with individual tables sharing their conclusions. The moderator presents the final solution using evidence-based data and teaching points with references to support the selected treatment.

- **Community Orthopaedic Surgeon Workshop** discusses best practices for commonly encountered conditions in offices or emergency rooms.

- **Faculty Development Courses** benefit everyone who would like to further refine or develop their presentation skills and create an environment beneficial to learning. The Central Instructional Courses Committee has developed a themed daily curriculum to help you in your practice, in your community, or in your academic setting. Bring your laptop for an interactive experience.

- **Patient Physician Communication Course** utilizes the 4E model (Engage, Empathize, Educate, Enlist) to enable surgeons to effectively and efficiently communicate with patients.

- **Practice Management Seminar for Practicing Orthopaedic Surgeons** covers the state of orthopaedic practice including business and technology trends.

- **Residency Core Competencies and Surgical Tips and Tricks** is a special symposium aimed at Residents to promote discussion and interaction amongst experts and peers. You will have the opportunity to interact with the virtual audience watching the session via a live webcast.

- **Technical Skills Courses** focus on positioning, approach, and step-by-step technical tips via edited videos, followed by discussion on key takeaways.

- **TeamSTEPPS** is an evidence-based team building and communication program designed to enhance patient safety and efficiency in health care.

- **Ten Hot ICD-10 and CPT Coding Issues** covers the hot issues in CPT coding including ICD-10 and use of modifiers.
Exhibits

The technical exhibits, located in Academy Hall G, provide you with an opportunity to:
• explore the entire orthopaedic marketplace
• compare first-hand the latest products
• attend product demonstrations
• plan your purchases of products and service

The exhibit floor includes several pavilions showcasing diagnostic equipment, first-time exhibitors, practice productivity solutions, and publishers and educators. An ideal time to visit the technical exhibits is between 12:30 PM and 1:30 PM each day; no educational events will be scheduled during that time.

Besides offering opportunities to visit the commercial exhibits, the Technical Exhibit Hall provides some unique educational experiences.

• The Ask an Expert sessions allow you to interact with recognized experts. Bring your problem cases and get advice about diagnoses, treatment options, and recommendations. (Booth 174)
• In the Electronic Skills Pavilion you can attend presentations featuring the latest technology and applications. You can learn about apps, social media engagement and office efficiency software for your practice. (Booth 4402)

These free sessions are beneficial for you, your staff, and your office practice.

Additionally, exhibiting companies may plan education in their booths. Take this opportunity to familiarize yourself with new technology. This education does not qualify for CME credit.

Plan your visit to the technical exhibits using the interactive exhibit floor plan available for the meeting. You can search for companies you are interested in visiting and locate them on the map either online or by using the My Academy app.
Need a break?
The AAOS Bistro in Booth 4267 is open from 11:00 AM to 2:30 PM and features a buffet lunch with beverage and dessert for a fixed price. Complimentary refreshment breaks take place on Wednesday and Thursday at 3:30 PM and Friday at 10:00 AM at Booths 361, 6422, and 6656.

Visit the Redemption Centers located in the technical exhibits to obtain your AAOS tote bag and enter for a chance to win a hotel stay, iPad, go-Pro Camera, or American Express gift certificates. Visit on Friday to get an AAOS t-shirt.

Specialty Day
The Board of Specialty Societies (BOS) presents educational programming that represents the 14 societies that sponsor sessions on Specialty Day:

- American Orthopaedic Foot & Ankle Society
- American Orthopaedic Society for Sports Medicine
- American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons
- American Society for Surgery of the Hand and American Association for Hand Surgery
- Arthroscopy Association of North America
- Federation of Orthopaedic Spine Associations
- The Hip Society and American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons
- The Knee Society and American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons
- Limb Lengthening and Reconstruction Society
- Musculoskeletal Tumor Society
- Orthopaedic Trauma Association
- Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America

Orthopaedic Research Society
The Orthopaedic Research Society (ORS) holds its Annual Meeting after the Academy’s Annual Meeting beginning on Saturday, March 28 through Tuesday, March 31 at the MGM Grand Hotel in Las Vegas. Consider attending the ORS meeting if you are interested in the collaboration of clinical and research studies in Orthopaedics.
Academy Hall

Visit Academy Hall in Academy Hall G for unique learning experiences where you can:

- Browse the Poster Exhibits
- Experience the Scientific Exhibits
- Access both the ePosters and eScientific Exhibits on your tablet or smart phone
- Watch videos in the Orthopaedic Video Theater
- Discover new Academy educational and practice management resources in the Resource Center. The Academy’s Resource Center is the place to experience a hands-on showcase of Academy
  - education
  - practice resources
  - membership
  - benefits

Experienced AAOS staff will be available to answer questions, help you navigate the meeting app, and walk you through the many publications, e-books, digital media, and interactive multimedia programs available. They can also answer your membership and MOC questions. Interact with book authors and the experts and experience the future of surgical skills training with virtual reality arthroscopy simulation. The new AAOS Comprehensive Orthopaedic Review 2 and OKU Self-Assessment Examination will be available for purchase.
Don’t miss these opportunities in Academy Hall:

- “Ask the Author” daily from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM in the Posters and Scientific Exhibits
- Poster Tours – times vary, check the final program or visit the Poster and Scientific Exhibit Help Desk
- Poster Award Ceremony and free breakfast on Friday, March 27 at 7:00 AM in the Posters

In addition, Academy Hall offers a relaxed setting to meet and network with your colleagues. Plan to spend some time in Academy Hall for a rewarding experience.

**AAOS Career Center**
Whether you are looking for your first job, your next career opportunity or need to add staff, the AAOS Career Center is the place to visit. Here you will find listings of opportunities, interview rooms or a place to post an available job. The AAOS Career Center is located in Academy Hall. You can always find current job opportunities online at the AAOS Career Center.

**Special Events**
For a truly rewarding experience join the Playground Build on Tuesday, March 24. Hundreds of volunteers will join forces to build a safe and accessible playground for a community in need in the Las Vegas area. Please visit the Playground Build website for more details.

In addition to the educational experiences, plan to attend the Opening Ceremony on Wednesday, March 25 from 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM in Venetian Ballroom E. You will have a chance to hear the Presidential Address, welcome China as this year’s Guest Nation, and hear a report from the Chief Executive Officer.

If you are a member, consider attending Business Meetings at 9:00 AM on Thursday, March 26 in Venetian Ballroom E and staying for the Ceremonial Meeting at 10:00 AM where the Kappa Delta, OREF, Tipton Leadership, Humanitarian and Diversity awards are presented and the Academy inducts the incoming president.
Benjamin S. Carson, Sr., MD is this year’s **Presidential Guest Speaker** and will deliver his speech *One Nation: What We Can All Do to Save America’s Future* at 11:00 AM on Thursday, March 26 in Venetian Ballroom E.

**Claiming CME Credit**

The Annual Meeting offers up to 35 hours of CME credit. You should only claim CME credit for the actual hours you attend the meeting. Keep track of your CME hours using the tracking grid in the final program.

**Entertainment**

The Academy offers a full [social program](#) for your guests. You and your guests will have the opportunity to explore the city and the spectacular surrounding natural scenery with the help of expert local guides. All tours conveniently depart from the convention center.

**Things to Know**

Complimentary shuttle buses run continuously from 6:30 AM to 6:30 PM during the meeting to transport you from your hotel to the convention center and back again. Look for informational signs around the exterior of the convention center that list the routes and hours of operation.

AAOS knows that not all education occurs in the meeting rooms and exhibit halls. We recognize the importance of **networking** with your colleagues, so we provide plenty of comfortable lounge areas throughout the meeting space. Bring your business cards to exchange with your new contacts.

**Free wifi** allows you to stay in touch with your office and family. Don’t forget to bring charging devices for your cell phone, tablet, and laptop. You can find convenient charging stations in Academy Hall.

The Annual Meeting is a professional meeting and **appropriate attire** is expected. Business casual attire is encouraged. Blazers or sport coats, button-down shirts, and slacks or khakis are recommended. Remember to dress in layers; the meeting and exhibit space can be chilly.

For your **safety** do not wander around looking lost. Always get directions before venturing out. Remove your badge before leaving the convention center or meeting space. Avoid isolated, dark areas and never accept rides from private individuals. In your hotel room, utilize all locks available and always put valuables in the hotel safe.
The 2015 Annual Meeting offers several specialized learning opportunities for Orthopaedic Residents. The Academy encourages you to make the most of your time at the Annual Meeting and this guide will provide a framework for customizing a rich educational and networking experience.

Take some Instructional Courses in your area of specialty focus. These courses are given by recognized experts in their respective fields and provide a unique opportunity to gain an understanding of proven methods and techniques that will benefit you in your residency and practice. These evidence-based areas of study will solidify your choices as a physician and surgeon. Schedule in one or more of the many symposia in all areas of orthopaedics. The internationally renowned faculty discuss and debate emerging issues and cutting edge topics in orthopaedics and medicine.

Maximize your Annual Meeting experience with these FREE sessions.

**CPT and ICD-10 Coding Fundamentals for Starting Your Practice, #190**  
Tuesday, March 24 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM, Palazzo M  
This fast paced course will enlighten you on the critical topics of coding and reimbursement. This is especially useful for those of you who will be starting your practice soon. You will learn about ICD-10 diagnosis coding and using technology to find the correct ICD-10 code. A useful handbook is the key take home in this event and there is plenty of time for questions and answers.

**Practice Management Residents’ Course, #191**  
Tuesday, March 24 12:30 PM to 5:30 PM, Palazzo M  
This session combines didactic lectures with panel discussions to help you transition from residency to practice. Get tips for your job search, negotiating a contract or employment agreement, managing your practice, and personal finances. Everything you did not learn in medical school will be covered here!

**Residency Core Competencies and Surgical Tips and Tricks, CC**  
Friday, March 27 1:30 PM to 5:00 PM, Room 2001  
This special 3.5 hour session is just for you! The session focuses on clinical topics and the core competencies required for completion of your residency program. Participants are encouraged to use social media to interact with the moderator via the @aaospearls Twitter handle. You will be joined via live-stream by residency programs across the globe.

**Game Changers Paper Session**  
Friday, March 27 at 10:30 AM, Room 2001  
This exciting paper session captures the breakthroughs and insights that could change the practice of orthopaedics in the next five years. This session will showcase Randomized Controlled trials, Clinical Research Studies and more.
AAOS Highlights Symposium
Friday, March 27 1:30 PM, Venetian E
If you are unable to attend the Resident Core Competencies and Clinical Tips symposium consider attending this symposium which highlights the best papers and posters from the 2015 Annual Meeting. They are selected by the Program Committee and presented in this highly interactive session.

Other educational and networking opportunities:
**Poster Award Ceremony** and free continental breakfast. Watch as the 11 classifications award recipients explain their research while enjoying a free breakfast. The breakfast is on Friday, March 27 at 7:00 AM in Academy Hall.

**Poster Tours** are presented by recognized leaders in a particular classification and cover specific posters they have chosen to highlight. This highly interactive experience is an exciting opportunity to gain insights from the experts. Check the Final Program for the schedule and sign up at the Poster and Scientific Exhibit Help Desk.

The **Resident Assembly** is an advisory body of the Academy; it was created for residents, by residents, and will hold its inaugural meeting in Las Vegas on Thursday, March 26, from 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM in Venetian/Sands EXPO - Room 3301. This is your opportunity to influence the future direction of Academy programs, resources, policies, and strategy. You will meet other AAOS Resident Members focused on supporting the Academy’s efforts in residency training and transition. All residents are invited to get involved by joining a committee, or acting as a resident delegate.

The Academy wants to help you maximize and customize your networking opportunities in Academy Hall, in the technical exhibits and throughout the meeting. Lounges are available for your convenience for taking a break and catching up with colleagues and feature a Twitter wall and free WiFi. WiFi is accessible throughout the meeting.

Keep your meeting experience going by sharing what you learned with colleagues. Utilize the resources provided with access to meeting abstracts, symposia handouts through the online Proceedings. The Academy’s website has it all under the Annual Meeting.

The chart on the next page displays a recommended balanced schedule that will allow you to attend a number of key sessions created with residents in mind while still leaving plenty of time for you to pursue educational opportunities in your specific area of interest.
## Resident Assembly Recommended Resident Track for 2015 Annual Meeting

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- **Suggested Resident Specific Programming**
- Look at the AM Program to find Courses, exhibits, posters, etc. of interest to you
- Specialty day - On this day, the various orthopaedic subspecialties break into specialty specific meeting groups. These meetings have varying costs for residents to attend.

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International Participants

China is the official Guest Nation for the 2015 Annual Meeting.

Visit the Academy’s website for all the information you need for preparing for your trip to the 2015 Annual Meeting. Go to [http://www.aaos.org/amintl](http://www.aaos.org/amintl) for visa, housing, registration and travel information.

**Visa Information**

Many international Annual Meeting attendees will require a visitor visa to enter the United States. Apply early. Visa applications should be made no later than **90 days prior to travel**. Consult Visitor Visa Information for details and helpful links, and to personalize your letter of invitation.

For travelers from visa waiver countries, the ESTA document is now required. If you do not have it, you may not be allowed to board your flight. Consult Visitor Visa Information for details.

**Travel and packing**

The average temperature in Las Vegas in March is 7°C (44°F) for a low and 21°C (69°F) for a high. The attire for the Academy meeting is business casual. We suggest slacks, collared shirts and blazers. Please note the meeting facility can be quite cool, so dressing in layers is recommended. If you wish to wear traditional clothing from your country, you are most welcome to do so. Wear comfortable shoes as there are long walking distances between events within the convention center.

**Plan your meeting**

The AAOS Annual Meeting is a large event, and there many sessions that take place at the same time. Please take time to study the program and choose your sessions carefully. Make the most of your Annual Meeting experience by reviewing the education section of this guide.

It is suggested that you take some **Instructional Courses (ICL)** in your area of interest. Recognized experts in their fields present these courses. They provide a chance to understand proven methods and techniques. ICLs have names that begin with a series of three numbers, and generally require a ticket. Also consider attending **symposia**, where world-class faculty will discuss and debate emerging issues and cutting-edge topics in orthopaedics. Symposia that start with a letter are free of charge.

All AAOS educational sessions are conducted in English except the four international poster tours noted on the next page and ICL 144, which is in Spanish.
Below are educational sessions you may find of particular interest:

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<td>Wednesday, 25 March</td>
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<td>Symposium H: It’s 2015 – Can We Answer Any Controversies in Shoulder Surgery Yet?</td>
<td>This symposium highlights commonly encountered shoulder pathologies that most orthopaedic surgeons manage on a daily basis.</td>
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<td>Friday, 27 March</td>
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<td>Symposium Y: How I Perform a Primary and Revision Total Knee Arthroplasty</td>
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13:30  Symposium DD: The International Musculoskeletal Time Bomb: Time for Action

This specially selected symposium includes an international faculty member discussing the issues of the aging population and dwindling resources in orthopaedics.

13:30  AAOS Highlights Symposium

The best papers and posters from the Annual Meeting will be presented in synopsis format by members of the Program Committee.

We also offer a very special Instructional Course intended for Spanish-speaking attendees,

**Instructional Course 144: Que podemos aprender de las practicas de reemplazo de cadera y rodilla en Estados Unidos**

Tuesday, 24 March at 13:30

Este curso instruccional en español tiene como objetivo compartir con el auditorio la experiencia de cirujanos de cadera y rodilla que trabajan en los Estados Unidos con el fin de mejorar las práctica quirúrgica en otros países de habla hispana.

There are other types of educational sessions that are of interest.

- Make sure to attend an “Ask an Expert” session in the exhibit hall. Bring your difficult cases for expert analysis and an interactive discussion. These take place in Academy Hall and are free; see the Final Program for the schedule.

- The **Orthopaedic Video Theater** is your opportunity to explore visually. You can select and view award-winning video programs at the theater which is open all meeting hours. The theater is located in Academy Hall and is free of charge.

- **International Poster Tours** are an opportunity to interact with recognized experts who will guide you through the specialty-specific choices they have chosen to review. Four of these tours will be conducted in selected languages.

  - Poster Tour in Japanese
    **Sports Medicine**
    *Moderator: Prof. Shinichi Yoshiya*
    Tuesday, 24 March, 13:30–14:30
**Poster Tour in Chinese**  
**Trauma**  
*Moderator: Prof. Wei Jie*  
Wednesday, 25 March, 13:30–14:30

**Poster Tour in Spanish**  
**Sports Medicine**  
*Moderator: Dr. Iván Encalada Díaz, MD*  
Thursday, 26 March, 13:30–14:30

**Poster Tour in Portuguese**  
**Sports Medicine**  
*Moderator: Dr. André Pedrinelli*  
Friday, 27 March, 13:30–14:30

**Special Events:**
- **Wednesday, 25 March, 16:30: Opening Ceremony.** The presidents from all national and international orthopaedic organizations will be introduced. Professor Wei Tian, President of the Chinese Orthopaedic Association, will give a speech during the Opening Ceremony.

- **Thursday, 26 March, 10:00: Ceremonial Meeting.** The incoming AAOS president, Dr. David Teuscher, will be inducted. The Academy will also present awards for leadership.

- **Friday, 27 March, 07:00: Poster Awards Ceremony and Breakfast.** The winners are selected from the best abstracts presented at the meeting and will address their research in this session. Join us for this event in Academy Hall. Breakfast will be available.

There is a very short mid-day break. We encourage you to use this time (12:30-13:30) to visit the Technical Exhibits. Lunch is available for purchase on the Technical Exhibit floor in the AAOS Bistro (Booth 4267).

Be sure to visit the **International Surgeons Lounge**, Room 301, for coffee and the opportunity to network with your colleagues.
Entertainment
The Academy offers a full social program for your guests. You and your guests will have the opportunity to explore the city and the spectacular surrounding natural scenery with the help of expert local guides. All tours conveniently depart from the convention center.

Las Vegas offers an astounding array of entertainment options. There are shows, comedy clubs, and restaurants galore.

Explore spectacular natural scenery in the area, including Lake Mead (home of the Hoover Dam), Red Rock Canyon, and much more.

Plenty of shopping, from souvenir shops to malls, is only a short walk or taxi ride away. We recommend the following options that are closest to the convention center.

- Grand Canal Shoppes
- Fashion Show Mall

Please note that tipping in the United States is customary. A 15% to 20% gratuity is usually expected in restaurants, taxis, and for services you receive.