2018 Australian Hand Surgery Society  
Annual Scientific Meeting  

Wednesday 28 February - Saturday 03 March 2018  
Crown Perth Convention Centre, Perth WA  

International Guest Presenter - Dr Daniel Herren, Switzerland  
Convenor - Dr Rohan Page  

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS & REGISTRATION
Welcome

It was 1997 when the last AHSS ASM was held in Perth. After several very successful meetings in the Southwest of WA we felt it was time to showcase the city again as a venue for AHSS ASM 2018. We extend a warm invitation to members from across the country with a program that acknowledges past achievements, gives insights into current best practice, and inspires future thinking in our specialty.

To that end it is with great pleasure that I welcome Daniel Herren as our International Guest Speaker. Dr Herren will be well known to many of you and his biography is included below. He is a preeminent thinker and speaker who will be giving keynote talks in the areas of Small Joint Arthroplasty, Rheumatoid Hand, Wrist Arthroplasty and Dupuytrens, and Outcome Measurement in Hand surgery.

This year a half session of the academic program will be set aside as a Younger Fellows Forum specifically dedicated to give voice to younger hand surgeons. This will be supplemented by a Consultants Corner during which Younger Fellows can engage Expert Hand Surgeons in discussion / advice around particular problem cases they may be involved in managing.

The AHSS Registrar Conference will be run prior to the ASM (February 27-28) and I know Angus Keogh has put together a great program for attendees. We are very grateful to those who are contributing to this important education session for training future hand surgeons.

We continue to acknowledge past and present achievements with The Bernie O’Brien Oration, The Tim Herbert Award for Innovation in Hand Surgery, and this year the inaugural Bruce Conolly Best Paper Award.

Perth frequently enjoys warm summer weather well into March and our activities and social program reflect the outdoor lifestyle to be enjoyed in a city with parklands, rivers and beaches.

We look forward to welcoming you to AHSS ASM 2018 in Perth!

Rohan Page
2018 AHSS Conference Convenor

Registration

The conference has a dedicated secure 24 hour online registration website at your fingertips. Access enables you to update your details instantly.

Visit www.tayloredimages.com.au click on “events” scroll to the events schedule & select your conference. To register select ‘Register Now’ or ‘Register’ buttons. If you attended previously your login details will be the same. If you have not previously attended please create an account which can be used to login and at any time to update your registration. If Submiting an abstract select ‘Submit your Abstract’ from the right hand side of the screen.

Upon completion of the registration & abstract submission process you will be automatically supplied with a summary & confirmation of your registration.
Do you need flights to Melbourne for 2018 AHSS

Corporate Traveller Group would like to assist you. Please mention the code: 2018 AHSS

Book early to avoid disappointment

Contact Lisa Janson on
Toll Free: 1300 013 081 or lisa.janson@corporatetraveller.com.au

Travel Arrangements

Guest Speaker

Dr Daniel Herren - Switzerland

Dr Herren is an orthopaedic hand surgeon born in Biel, Switzerland. His focus is on small joint implant development, the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis (hand surgical aspects) and quality management with focus on orthopaedic results.

Dr Herren began his study of medicine at the University of Bern, Switzerland in 1982. Following his medical studies, he completed a thesis publication on, “Altered skeletal muscle ultrastructure in renal transplant patients on prednisone,” before completing a Medical Physics postgraduate course at Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich, which held special emphasis on biocompatible materials. From 2004–2006, Dr Herren then completed a further postgraduate master course at the University of Bern for a Master of Health Administration.

He is currently the Chief Medical Officer at the Schulthess Clinic, Zurich and a lecturer at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH). Dr Herren is also a medical consultant for the Institute of Biomedical Engineering of the University of Bern and ETH, and is a member of IBRA.

Dr Herren is the Past President of the Swiss Society for Surgery of the Hand, and a member of the European Society for Rheumatoid Arthritis Surgery, ETH Alumni and the Mayo Clinic Alumni.

Dr Herren also sits on two editorial boards including the Journal of Hand Surgery (American Edition) and the Journal of Wrist Surgery. He has published approximately 50 peer-reviewed publications, listed with 64 impact points, has published several book chapters and delivered approximately 250 international presentations.

Perth

- With clear blue skies and comfortable temperatures Perth is a great destination year round, but the best time to take advantage of the natural landscape and coastline is October - May.
- Perth was voted the seventh “most liveable” city in the world in 2017 by The Economist Intelligence Unit. This ranking is based on five major indicators - Stability, healthcare, culture and environment, education and infrastructure.
- Perth has the largest inner-city park in the whole world. King’s Park spans 4.06 km², pipping New York’s Central Park at 3.41 km².
- Perth is the sunniest capital city in the world, with an average 8 hours per day sunshine 365 days per year.
- Perth has the most consistent wind of any Australia Capital. The Freo Doctor is the term for the cooling afternoon sea breeze which occurs during Summer Months.
Call for Abstracts

Scientific papers are invited for oral presentations. Authors should submit abstracts written in English to Taylored Images no later than 1700 Eastern Standard Time (EST) on Friday 12 January 2018. Papers received after this date will not be accepted for inclusion in this year’s program.

All abstracts submitted are subject to review by the Scientific Program Committee and will, if accepted, be assigned to either a 5 or 8 minute oral presentation. Authors may indicate preference for either a 5 or 8 minute oral presentation during the interactive Abstract submission process. The final allocation will be at the discretion of the scientific committee. Once abstracts have been accepted for presentation, no changes will be accepted to their content.

Important Note to AHSS Non Members
The AHSS rules require Proposed paper presenters to be Members of the AHSS: Either Active, Provisional, Honorary, or Corresponding. If you are not an AHSS member your application for paper selection can still be successful, as long as your submission is supported by a Member of the AHSS who shall be present in the audience at your paper presentation. You must nominate your supportive AHSS Member in the Abstract Submission process to be considered.

Disclaimer
All speakers/presenters are to disclose any financial involvement or assistance they have received for their paper.

Abstract Format
All submitted abstracts MUST follow the guidelines as set by the Scientific Program Committee to be accepted.

These guidelines are accessible from: www.tayloredimages.com.au/ahss2018/abstracts.html
To access these guidelines select “Abstracts” from the above websites main menu, then “Guidelines”.

Submission Methods

(ABSTRACTS WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED ELECTRONICALLY)
Submission as follows via the Taylored Images website: www.tayloredimages.com.au
(a) Follow the links to 2018 AHSS; click on “Submit Your Abstract” and follow the prompts
(b) It is essential all photographs and diagrams are embedded within the document, prior to uploading the abstract
(c) On submission, you will be prompted to create an account which will allow you to view & edit your abstract/s after initial submission until 1700 Friday 12 January 2018

Submission Methods

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Registration Fees

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**Inclusions:**
- Attendance at all Conference Sessions
- Welcome Reception - Wednesday - Crown Perth Convention Centre
- Casual Dinner - Thursday - Zafferano Restaurant
- AHSS Members & Invited Guests Annual Dinner - Saturday - Bistro Guillaume
- Breakfast Daily - Walk through continental style with the industry
- Morning / Afternoon Refreshments & Lunch Daily as per Program

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**Conference Registration Cancellation & Refund Policy**

A cancellation fee of AUD$200.00 applies for registration cancellations prior to **Monday 29 January 2018.**

**No refunds** applicable for cancellations after **Monday 29 January 2018.**

**Liability / Insurance**

Registration fees don’t include insurance of any kind. Neither AHSS nor Taylored Images will accept liability for damages of any nature (including financial) sustained by participants, or loss or damage to their personal property in the event of industrial disruptions or natural disasters.

*It is highly recommended you take out a suitable travel insurance policy including coverage for non refundable registration fees when you register for the meeting and book your travel.*

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**Optional Activities**

Please refer to the conference website for a list of available Friday afternoon activities as well as Partner program and suggested at your leisure activities are available on the conference website.
**Accommodation**

Perth, Western Australia

**Crown Promenade**

Contemporary style meets traditional service at Crown Promenade Perth - a hotel in Perth offering modern rooms, world class service and state of the art facilities.

- Superior Room: $250.00 per night
- Superior Balcony Room: $300.00 per night (Subject to Availability)
- Studio Room: $400.00 per night (Subject to Availability)

**Crown Metropol**

The distinct contemporary style, uncompromising attention to detail and unrivalled customer service, is what sets the Crown Metropol apart from other hotels and accommodation in Perth.

- Luxe Room: $270.00 per night
- Luxe View Room: $300.00 per night (Subject to Availability)
- Luxe King Spa Room: $390.00 per night (Subject to Availability)

**Crown Towers**

Crown Towers Perth’s guest rooms and suites boast unparalleled city views. Intelligently designed with the latest in luxury hotel technology and hosting Crown Towers’ renowned service, guests will have the opportunity to experience hotel indulgence in Perth unlike any other.

- Deluxe Room: $290.00 per night
- Premier King Room: $350.00 per night (Subject to Availability)
- Studio Room: $400.00 per night (Subject to Availability)

Important Note

A credit card must be provided with your booking to guarantee accommodation. Your card details will be forwarded to the accommodation venue as guarantee of the booking.

As per hotel terms and conditions any accommodation cancellations made after Monday 29 January 2018 will be subject to a cancellation fee of 100% of accommodation cancelled.

It is essential all accommodation bookings/amendments/cancellations are forwarded to Taylored Images. Taylored Images do not charge your card for accommodation. Payments for accommodation is finalised on departure direct with the accommodation venue.

Accommodation bookings & amendments made after Monday 29 January 2018 will incur a $33 service fee.
**Wednesday 28 February 2018**

1500 – 1800  Registration  
1600 – 1800  Executive Board Meeting  
1830 – 2030  **Welcome Reception**  

*Exhibition Area - Astral Ballroom, Crown Perth Convention Centre*  
All Delegates & Partners, Invited Guests & Company Representatives  
(Dress – Casual Attire)

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**Thursday 01 March 2018**

0700 – 0800  Breakfast – Exhibition Area  
0800 – 1000  Scientific Session 1  
1000 – 1030  Morning Refreshments – Exhibition Area  
1030 – 1230  Scientific Session 2  
1230 – 1330  Lunch – Exhibition Area  
1330 – 1530  Scientific Session 3  
1530 – 1600  Afternoon Refreshments – Exhibition Area  
1600 – 1800  AHSS – Annual General Business Meeting  
1900 – 2200  **Social Dinner**  
*Zafferano Restaurant*  
All Delegates & Partners, Invited Guests & Company Representatives  
(Dress – Casual Attire)

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**Friday 02 March 2018**

0700 – 0800  Breakfast – Exhibition Area  
0800 – 1000  Scientific Session 4  
1000 – 1030  Morning Refreshments – Exhibition Area  
1030 – 1200  Scientific Session 5  
1200 – 1300  Lunch – Exhibition Area  
1300  **Free Afternoon**  
1800  **Free Evening**

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**Saturday 03 March 2018**

0700 – 0800  Breakfast – Exhibition Area  
0800 – 1000  Scientific Session 6  
1000 – 1030  Morning Refreshments – Exhibition Area  
1030 – 1200  Scientific Session 7  
1200 – 1300  Lunch – Exhibition Area  
1300 – 1500  Scientific Session 8  
1500 – 1530  Afternoon Refreshments – Exhibition Area  
1530 – 1630  Scientific Session 9  
1900  **AHSS Members & Invited Guests Annual Dinner**  
*Bistro Guillaume - Crown Perth*  
(Dress: Evening Attire)
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