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Physical therapists' outstanding abstracts and presentations recognised at WCPT Congress 2019

The following awards for outstanding abstracts and presentations were made at the WCPT Congress 2019 closing ceremony on 13 May 2019 in Geneva.

Judging was based on a combined assessment of abstract and presentation quality.

WCPT outstanding platform presentation awards

David J. Keene (United Kingdom)

Platelet Rich Plasma For Acute Achilles Tendon Rupture: A Double-Blind, Multicentre, Randomised, Placebo-Controlled Trial (PLSoA-2933)

Maxi Miciak (Canada)

Systematic Selection Of Key Performance Indicators To Assess Inter-Professional Practice Initiatives At The System-Level (PL-1191)

WCPT outstanding poster presentation awards

Robin Kwakman (Netherlands)

Physiotherapy Treatment Approaches For Survivors Of Critical Illness In The Netherlands: A Statement From A Delphi Study (PO-A-26-SUN2)

Tess Glastra van Loon (Netherlands)

Comparing Surgical Versus Conservative Treatment Of Meniscal Tears: A Novel Approach Focusing On Patient-Specific Activities (PO-E-23-MON1)

WCPT outstanding platform presentation award: early career researcher

Alia Alghwiri (Jordan)

The Effect Of Stem Cell Therapy And Combined Exercise Program On Balance And Gait: A Pilot Randomized Controlled Trial (PLR5-2443)

Ellen Christin Arntzen (Norway)



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Group-Based Individualized Core-Stability Intervention Improves Balance, Trunk Control, Walking And Health-Related Quality Of Life In Individuals With Ms: An Rct (PLSoA-2346)

WCPT outstanding poster presentation award: early career researcher

Julia Mazarella (United States)

Using Kinematic Measurement To Detect Early Motor Asymmetries In Infants With Neonatal Stroke (PO-H-28-SUN2)

Karla Vanessa Menezes (Brazil)

Predictive Value Of Short Physical Performance Battery (Sppb) To Detect Loss In Functional Capacity For Hospitalized Older Adults (PO-K-08-SAT2)

WCPT outstanding platform presentation award: Africa region

Hellen Myezwa (South Africa)

Physiotherapy Response To The Hiv Pandemic: Comparison Of 3 Physiotherapy Curricula In East And Southern Africa (PL-2888)

Nuhu Assuman (Rwanda)

The Impact Of The Fifa 11+ Programme In Second Division Soccer Players In Rwanda: A Randomised Controlled Trial (PLSoA-1137)

WCPT outstanding poster presentation award: Africa region

Haleluya Moshi (Tanzania)

Occurrence And Clinical Outcomes Of Traumatic Spinal Cord Injury In Rural Kilimanjaro, Tanzania: A One-Year Prospective Study (PO-H-07-SUN1)

Perpetua Chinenye Obi (Nigeria)

Knowledge About Risk Factors For Falls And Practice About Fall Prevention In Older Adults Among Physiotherapists In Nigeria: A Multi-Method Approach (PO-I-36-MON2)

WCPT outstanding platform presentation award: Asia Western Pacific region

Ben Darlow (New Zealand)

The Longitudinal Interprofessional Study: The Impact Of Pre-Registration Interprofessional Education On Graduate Attitudes, Skills And Career Trajectories (PLSoA-1299)

Mary O'Keeffe (Australia)

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Cognitive Functional Therapy Compared With Exercise And Education Classes For Non-Specific Chronic Low Back Pain: A Multicentre Randomised Controlled Trial (PLSoA-567)

WCPT outstanding poster presentation award: Asia Western Pacific region

Michitaka Kato (Japan)

Effects Of Cardiac Rehabilitation On Cardiac And Physical Function In Patients Treated With Catheter Ablation For Persistent Atrial Fibrillation (PO-A-09-SUN1)

Yoshio Wakimoto (Japan)

Differences In Metabolism And Protective-Response Of Articular Cartilage Depending On Different Combinations Of Running Intensity, Duration, And Frequency In Mice (PO-F-06-MON2)

WCPT outstanding platform presentation award: European region

Emma Godfrey (United Kingdom)

Physiotherapy Informed By Acceptance And Commitment Therapy (Pact) Versus Usual Care Physiotherapy For Persistent Back Pain: A Randomised Controlled Trial (PLR5-1943)

Tim Noblet (United Kingdom)

Perceptions About The Implementation Of Physiotherapist Prescribing In Australia: A National Survey Of Australian Physiotherapists (PL-1918)

WCPT outstanding poster presentation award: European region

António Alves Lopes (Portugal)

Education Strategies In European Context: A Survey Of Teaching-Learning Approaches, Tools And Assessment Strategies Among Physiotherapy Teachers (PO-C-09-MON1)

Nina Goossens (Belgium)

Differences In The Central Processing Of Ankle And Back Proprioception Between Patients With Non-Specific Low Back Pain And Healthy Individuals (PO-F-21-MON1)

WCPT outstanding platform presentation award: North America Caribbean region

Lisa Carlesso (Canada)

Pain Phenotypes In People With Knee Osteoarthritis: Application Of Impact Recommendations (PLSoA-2429)

Mark Hall (Canada)

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Improving The Efficiency Of Item Development Using Cognitive Models And Automated Item Generation In Physical Therapy Education (PLSoA-2050)

WCPT outstanding poster presentation award: North America Caribbean region

Kyle Vader (Canada)

Experiences Participating In Physical Activity And Exercise Among Adults With Chronic Pain: An Interpretive Descriptive Qualitative Study (PO-L-25-SAT1)

Minal Jain (United States)

Validation Of Apdm Opal Inertial Sensors To Assess Gait In Typically Developing Children (PO-K-26-MON2)

WCPT outstanding platform presentation award: South America region

Gisela Cristiane Miyamoto (Brazil)

Cost-Effectiveness Of Different Doses Of Pilates In The Treatment Of Chronic Low Back Pain Considering Global Perceived Effect (PLSoA-2016)

Juan Gómez (Chile)

Educational Strategies In Pain Science As Treatment For Chronic Musculoskeletal Pain: A Scoping Review (PLSoA-2715)

WCPT outstanding poster presentation award: South America region

Adriane Vieira (Brazil)

Participation And Engagement In A Postural Education Group: Perspectives Of Patients With Long-Term Musculoskeletal Pain (PO-L-31-SUN1)

Esperanza Herrera (Colombia)

Local Cryotherapy Does Not Influence Joint Position Sense And Postural Sway In Healthy Individuals (PO-C-26-SUN2)

WCPT subgroup outstanding poster presentation awards

A number of WCPT Subgroups also presented awards for outstanding abstracts and poster presentations in their clinical areas.

International Confederation of Cardiorespiratory Physical Therapists (ICCrPT)

Katja Zahno (Switzerland)

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Training In Adult Patients With Copd: A Systematic Review And Meta-Analysis (PO-A-22-SUN2)

International Federation of Orthopaedic Manipulative Physical Therapists (IFOMPT)

Tess Glastra van Loon (Netherlands)

Comparing Surgical Versus Conservative Treatment Of Meniscal Tears: A Novel Approach Focusing On Patient-Specific Activities (PO-E-23-MON1)

International Organisation of Physical Therapists in Paediatrics (IOPTP)

Kuan-Yu Huang (Taiwan)

Correlation Between Trajectories Of General Movements Of Premature Infants And Their Cognitive Development At Three Years Of Age (PO-K-27-SUN1)

International Organization of Physical Therapists in Women's Health (IOPTWH)

Darija Ščepanović (Slovenia)

The Reliability For Measuring Diastasis Recti Abdominis In Pregnant Women Using Ultrasound (PO-N-32-SAT2)

International Association of Physical Therapists working with Older People (IPTOP)

Emelie Karlsson (Sweden)

Short-Term Postoperative Physical Decline And Patient-Reported Recovery In People Aged 70 Or Older Undergoing Abdominal Cancer Resection (PO-J-01-SUN1)

International Neurological Physical Therapy Association (INPA)

Therese Kristersson (Sweden)

Evaluation Of A Short Assessment For Upper Extremity Activity Capacity Early After Stroke (PO-H-15-SAT1)

International Organization of Physical Therapists in Mental Health (IOPTMH)

Helena Pepa (Sweden)

Physical Activity And Physiotherapy As Prevention And Treatment For Mental Health - A National Project (PO-D-34-MON2)

International Acupuncture Association of Physical Therapists (IAAPT)

Ken Olson (United States)



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Musculoskeletal Advanced Physiotherapy Scope Of Practice: An International Exploratory Survey Throughout Wcpt Member Organizations (PO-B-27-MON1)

PEDro award for the best report of a randomised controlled trial

Ianthe Boden (Australia)

Incidence of Complications after Emergency Abdominal surgery Get Exercising (ICEAGE) trial: a multi-centre double-blinded randomised controlled trial (PLSoA-2714)

About WCPT Congress 2019

The WCPT Congress 2019 took place on 10-13 May in Geneva. More than 4,500 physical therapists from over 130 countries attended congress.

Further details about WCPT Congress 2019: <https://www.wcpt.org/wcpt2019>

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EDITOR'S NOTES

About physical therapy

Physical therapists (also known as physiotherapists) are experts in developing and maintaining people's ability to move and function throughout their lives. With an advanced understanding of how the body moves and what keeps it from moving well, they promote wellness, mobility and independence. They treat and prevent many problems caused by pain, illness, disability and disease, sport and work related injuries, ageing and inactivity.



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Physical therapists are educated over several years, giving them a full knowledge of the body's systems and the skills to treat a wide range of problems. This education is usually university-based, at a level that allows physical therapists to practise independently. Continuing education ensures that they keep up to date with the latest advances in research and practice. Many physical therapists are engaged in research themselves.

About WCPT

WCPT is the profession's global body representing over 450,000 physical therapists/physiotherapists from member organisations in 121 countries. More information: www.wcpt.org.



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