

Materials - Surfaces - Manufacturing

The 2013 [MEET THE EXPERT] Implants is dedicated to experts and persons interested in the field of surgical implants. The program covers topics in materials, surfaces, and product processes, and includes expert talks as well as short presentations. Discussions and networking will additionally take place at the tabletop exhibition and sponsors display. The aim of the event is to present new developments, promote the exchange of know-how, and trigger collaborations between implant producers, subcontractors and end users.

April 22-23, 2013

Congress Centre Kursaal Interlaken CH-3800 Interlaken Information and registration: www.medical-cluster.ch/events







First announcement, call for abstracts

Focus

The previous two conferences [MEET THE EXPERT] Medical Manufacturing and [MEET THE EXPERT] Material and Surface Technology for Implants, have been merged into [MEET THE EXPERT] Implants. The conference covers development and production questions, issues of usage for inactive and active implants, instruments, all other aspects of implant technologies.

The two-day conference is divided into keynote lectures and speaker presentations. Speaker presentations will be given by selected individuals who submit an abstract on their particular focus in the industry. Abstract submission is now open and all interested parties are urged to apply.

The conference [MEET THE EXPERT] Implants is internationally oriented. The presentations will be held in German and English with a simultaneous translation into the respective language.

Target audience

The conference is aimed at project leaders, technicians and engineers, scientists, production specialists and managers of implant technology companies, providers of implant procedures, machine and device specialists, technology specialists from universities, and consulting experts.

Speaker presentations

We invite you to submit an abstract for the speaker presentation (15 min talk + 5 min discussion). The presentations must relate to, and provide novel information about, one or more of the conference topics (Materials - Surfaces – Manufacturing). The conference will focus on the following key topics:

- Materials and Surface Technology: implant material, friction, surface modification, biological surfaces, infections, coating system, analytical procedures and other topics
- Manufacturing: cutting and non-cutting procedures, automation, packaging, digital production, patient specific manufacturing, engineering and design and other topics

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Abstract submission

Abstracts submissions must include: a title, author names, and a short description of the work (abstract) approximately 150 to 200 words in length. Abstracts will be accepted until **January 31, 2013** at:

www.medical-cluster.ch/mte speaker

Presentations can be given in German or English. Abstract presenters will be granted a reduced participation fee for their active role in the speaker presentations (CHF 400.-instead of 650.- excl. VAT).

If the number of submitted abstracts exceeds the capacity of the conference program, we will accept a poster presentation in lieu of an oral presentation.

Poster

Instead of presentations poster presentations can also be registered. The participation fee is equal to the rate of a participant.

Publication

Abstracts from the talk will be published online after the event. All authors are asked to submit their abstract (max 1 page) for publication, according to the given template, until March 18, 2013.

Abstracts which qualify for publication in a supplement of eCells and Materials (eCM) will be submitted for registration by the organizer: www.ecmjournal.org

Tabletop exhibition

A limited number of tables are available at the tabletop exposition for product and company presentation (CHF 1'500.- excl. VAT - cost includes the registration fee for one person). Registration for the tabletop exhibition can be completed at the same time as conference registration: www.medical-cluster.ch/mte participant

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