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1. Brief description of Event (50-100 words):

ORS is the prime event of the orthopaedic research calendar. The 4-day conference features over 3000 delegates interested in orthopaedic research but from a variety of disciplines, from surgeons to statisticians to engineers. Specific events include key note speakers, workshops and poster presentations.

2. What were the benefits of attending and what did you gain from the experience in terms of transferable skills and knowledge.

This conference allowed me to present my own research on the global stage of orthopaedic research. It shows that my work, which is still in the publication process, is of considerable quality to even be accepted. I spent a lot of a time talking to new people, and figuring out their background. I realised that we can often find a common interest on which to base our scientific discussions. From this, I could seek new perspectives on my work, and often my untrained mind could give new insight into theirs. Presenting research at such a prestigious event will have a huge impact on my future career as a surgeon – it shows that I am a competent researcher, a skill many believe to be a very challenging part of medicine.

3. What actions will you be taking as a result of attending or by making new networking contacts.

Insight from other researchers has helped pave future direction from my own work, and of course posed more questions and some previously unrecognised limitations of my work were brought to light. As such, consideration of some of the comments I received will feature in the paper of this work when it is published.

4. Can you share any additional resources produced in connection with the event (e.g. feedback from participants, training resources, website links, and additional materials).


Above is a link to the conference program.

5. Tips/experience learned from the event
I learned that my day must be planned very well when attending events of this scale – there is so much to see that it is difficult to prioritise. I attended talks and workshops which were related to my own work and also my undergraduate dissertation, which is based on tendons and ligaments. The conference had a purpose-built App which was quite helpful in this regard, although WIFI was not good which hindered planning.

6. Any additional comments or information regarding the event

It was a fantastic event to be a part of, and it has shown me just where research can take you with hard work.

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