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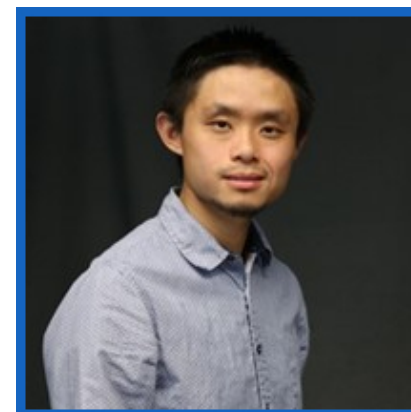
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Members of Tendon Section Leadership are working hard to bring you exciting scientific content and networking opportunities, as well as to increase the visibility of our members and their work. We educate fellow researchers and granting agencies about tendon research through scientific content at the ORS Annual Meeting, and this year through our satellite meeting at the Mayo Clinic. Our goals are to improve knowledge exchange, define best practices for tendon research, foster discussion on new approaches, and facilitate interactions between clinicians, engineers, and researchers. In addition, we plan career development seminars and social events to bring together the community and provide networking opportunities all year long, facilitating collaborations and friendships. Finally, the [Section website](#) and newsletter, [Tendon Times](#), updates the community on the latest and greatest in tendon research as well as upcoming events. We strive to make this community diverse, inclusive, friendly, and fun! Please help us to grow by spreading the word on how fantastic Section Membership is. [Send us your thoughts](#) on what Membership means to you.

"The Tendon Section is my go-to place to learn everything tendon-related. Under the broader ORS family, it is a uniquely focused scientific hub where I can easily connect with experts who share the same passion of improving tendon health via research. As a post-graduate trainee member, I especially find the Tendon Section an engaging and welcoming community where I can seek advice and resources from more established section members that help accelerate both my research and my career development."



Ke Song

Postdoc Researcher
Orthopaedic Surgery
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Member Spotlights

Ata Kiapour, PhD, MMSc

Director of Musculoskeletal Informatics and Assistant Professor
Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and Sports Medicine
Boston Children's Hospital and Harvard Medical School

"The primary focus of my research is to develop data-driven tools that can help with the diagnosis and treatment planning of joint injuries (primarily knee and hip). To achieve this, we study how our joints and soft tissue structures change during skeletal growth and maturation and what factors result in pathologic joint and tissue development."



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Zong-Ming Li, PhD

William and Sylvia Robin Chair of Orthopaedic Research
Vice Chair for Research, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery
Associate Director, Arthritis Center
University of Arizona

"To tackle our research projects, my lab uses a variety of experimental, theoretical, and computational tools including microscope-interfaced mechanical testing platforms, ultrasound elastography, fundamental theories and principles of mechanics (especially viscoelasticity and poroelasticity), and finite element modeling."

[Read More About
Zong-Ming](#)

Recent Tendon Publications

As a section member, you may access a compiled list of published articles and preprints relevant to the orthopaedic field. Check out this key benefit to stay well-informed and engaged with current research and developments. The Membership Committee has chosen a few of our favorites to highlight in this quarterly newsletter. In addition, please stay tuned for our upcoming webinars featuring new Hot-Off-The-Press preprints from members of our tendon community!



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Trainees Around the Globe



Guillaume Planckaert, MD

PhD Candidate, Dirk Elewaut Lab, UGent Center for Inflammation Research (IRC), Ghent, Belgium

Resident, Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology, Ghent University Hospital, Belgium

[Read More About Guillaume](#)

"I was born and raised in a small village in Belgium. As a butcher's son, I was fascinated by anatomy at a very young age, which naturally led to an interest in human anatomy. I did my medical training at the University of Ghent (Belgium), where it became clear to me that I wanted to become an orthopedic surgeon. I enjoy the puzzle of explaining patients' complaints with the complex anatomy of the human body, and the subsequent challenge of surgically restoring or altering anatomy to improve patient outcomes."

The 2025 Annual Meeting



The ORS 2025 Annual Meeting will take place February 7 - 11, 2025 in Phoenix, AZ. The Annual Meeting will bring the orthopaedic community together for five days of workshops, learning sessions, networking, advocacy, and much more. The theme for the 2025 meeting is "Science is Our Core." Attendees of all career levels and from many disciplines will gather to network and learn about the latest innovations in orthopaedics.

The ORS is excited to introduce the ORS 2025 Annual Meeting **Spotlight Speakers** lineup. Click the link below to view speaker talk titles.



ORS 2025 Spotlight Speakers

The calls for sponsors, exhibitors, and advertising are open for the ORS 2025 Annual Meeting. If you are part of an organization, or know of one, who would benefit by sponsoring, exhibiting, or advertising in front of leading clinicians, engineers, and biologists in musculoskeletal research, please click the link below to learn more about these great opportunities.

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The call for abstracts for the ORS 2025 Annual Meeting is now closed. We received 2,176 submissions. Those are currently under review and we will notify those who have been accepted on November 6. If you missed your opportunity to submit, the call for late-breaking abstracts will be open October 14 - November 11.

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