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## Join Us for Our Upcoming Webinar

LIVE WEBINAR

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### Meniscus Matters: The Asian Chapter

**DATE** October 8, 2025 | **TIME** 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM CST

**ORGANIZERS SPEAKERS**

 <p>Scott Rodeo, MD <i>Biologic Augmentation to Improve Meniscus Healing</i></p>	 <p>Hideyuki Koga, MD, PhD <i>Surgical Treatment Strategies for Degenerated Meniscus</i></p>	
 <p>Jay Trivedi, PhD</p>	 <p>Su Chin Heo, PhD</p>	 <p>Francesco Travascio, PhD</p>

**REGISTER NOW!**

Open to non-members.  
Free for ORS Members.

The Meniscus webinar titled “*Meniscus Matters: The Asian Chapter*” is organized by **Su Chin Heo, PhD**, **Jay Trivedi, PhD** and **Francesco Travascio, PhD**. This webinar takes place at 7:00 PM CST on Wednesday, October 8, 2025 and features

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two excellent talks delivered by **Scott Rodeo, MD** and **Hideyuki Koga, MD, PhD**.

The webinar focuses on clinical standards in meniscus repair in the United States and Japan. This international event brings together leading clinicians from both countries to compare treatment approaches, share best practices, and foster collaboration. By creating a platform for dialogue across borders, this webinar aims to strengthen global connections and inspire new directions in clinical care and research for the meniscus community.

[Register for Webinar](#)

If you missed our previous webinar Meniscus Matters: New Frontiers in Research, recorded on April 16, 2025, you can watch the recording below

[View Meniscus Matters](#)

## Member Spotlights

### Ashley Williams, MS

Research and Development Scientist and Engineer

Department of Orthopaedic Surgery

Stanford University



*"When I was just starting my career, I don't think I expected to get to work closely with biomechanics experts. Seeing the knee tissues through the lens of forces and moments and alignment – many of which can be modified – has changed my sense of purpose in the field from that of studying to understand cartilage*

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*and meniscus physiology to wanting to be able to manipulate it to help people preserve and protect their joints."*



**Solaiman Tarafder, PhD**

Assistant Professor

Department of Mechanical Engineering

South Dakota State University

**Meet Solaiman**

*"My path in meniscus research has been shaped by a deep interest in how biomaterials can be engineered to address difficult orthopaedic challenges. As I gained more experience, I recognized the unique complexity of the meniscus: its zone-specific composition, its poor healing capacity, and its critical biomechanical role in the knee joint. This recognition motivated me to develop bioadhesives, ECM-derived scaffolds, and mechanobiology-informed strategies specifically targeted at meniscus repair. Over time, my research has evolved from fundamental material design to more translational directions, including zone-specific scaffolds, hydrogel bioadhesives, and mechanoregulated healing strategies."*



## Recent Meniscus Publications

The Meniscus Section Communications and Networking Committee is excited to share the latest publications by members. Check out this key benefit for members to stay well-informed and engaged with current research and developments.

**Publication List**

# Funding Opportunities

## [ISAKOS Global Traveling Fellowship](#)

Travel Fellowship

Deadline: October 3, 2025

## [Career Awards for Medical Scientists \(CAMS\)](#)

Grant Amount: \$700,000

Deadline: October 7, 2025

## [ORS and Partner Awards, Grants, and Fellowships](#)

Grant Amount: Various

Deadline: October 10, 2025

## [OREF Mentored Clinician Scientist Grant](#)

Grant Amount: \$20,000

Deadline: October 14, 2025

## [OREF Career Development Grant](#)

Grant Amount: \$300,000

Deadline: October 14, 2025

## [OREF New Investigator Grant](#)

Grant Amount: \$50,000

Deadline: October 14, 2025

## [OREF Multimodal Musculoskeletal Perioperative Pain Management Grant in Collaboration with the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists \(AANA\) Foundation](#)

Grant Amount: \$92,500

Deadline: October 14, 2025

**[OREF/John W. Brown Early-Stage Investigator Enabling Technologies in Musculoskeletal Care Research Grant](#)**

Grant Amount: \$100,000

Deadline: October 14, 2025

**[ACSM Grants and Awards](#)**

Grant Amount and Deadline: Various

**[NIH Parent Announcements](#)**

Grant Amount and Deadline: Various

**[NIAMS Funding Opportunities \(NIH\)](#)**

Grant Amount and Deadline: Various

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**Save the Date for the ORS 2026 Annual Meeting**



Join us for a special evening as we celebrate the 10 Year Anniversary of the ORS Meniscus Research Section. This milestone event will take place during the ORS 2026 Annual Meeting in Charlotte, North Carolina on Saturday, March 28, 2025, at 7:00 PM EST. Come together with colleagues, friends, and fellow researchers to commemorate a decade of collaboration and advances in meniscus research. Stay tuned for more details.

## ORS 2026 Meniscus Momentum Award



The Orthopaedic Research Society Meniscus Momentum Award recognizes a mid-career investigator making outstanding contributions to meniscus research.

The last day to apply for the Momentum Award is Monday, November 10, 2025.

[Learn More and Apply Now](#)

## Share Your Work with the Meniscus Community!



Keep up with the ORS Meniscus Section by connecting with us on Social Media ([X](#)) and [LinkedIn](#). Please follow us, share our posts with your connections, invite others, and tag us when you have good information to share. Be sure to use #MeniscusMonday when sharing your latest work! In addition, reach out with any questions and/or suggestions.



Interested in being featured as a Member Spotlight? Please contact our [Networking Committee](#).

## Find or Post Events on the Orthopaedic Events Calendar



The Orthopaedic Events Calendar on the ORS website lists events that are of potential interest to those in the orthopaedic community. ORS Members are welcome to submit applicable events at no charge through the Submit Event button at the top of the calendar on the site. This is an excellent opportunity to spread the word about your orthopaedic-related events, ensuring they reach a wider and engaged audience.

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