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### See You Soon at #ECTS2026

Dear Members, Colleagues and Friends,

With the ECTS 2026 Congress in over just one week, we are excited to share some important updates to help you make the most of this upcoming event. The late registration fee is now available, so if you have not registered yet, now is the perfect time to secure your spot — do not miss out on this last chance!



We have got exciting news! Introducing our **brand-new Day Tickets** — designed to give you maximum flexibility and a taste of everything ECTS has to offer, even if you are only here for a short visit.

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[Register Now or Get your Day Ticket](#)

## Bringing the Herbert Fleisch Workshop to Europe: A Community-Driven Initiative.

By Alexander Rauch

The Herbert Fleisch Workshop (HFW) is a long-standing and highly regarded format in musculoskeletal

research, combining scientific excellence with interdisciplinary exchange and dedicated mentoring of early-career researchers. Established in honor of Herbert Fleisch (1933–2007), the workshop has its roots in the Davos meetings (1985–2007) and was revived in 2014 under the International Federation of Musculoskeletal Research Societies (IFMRS). It was subsequently held four times in Belgium (2014, 2016, 2019, 2022) through the efforts of Roger Bouillon and Christa Maes, before evolving into a rotating model among member societies, with the first edition outside Europe organized by ANZBMS in 2025.



### From idea to realization: the ECTS initiative

The idea to bring the Herbert Fleisch Workshop back to Europe started in autumn 2024, when Liesbeth Winter, Katharina Jähn-Rickert, and Geert Carmeliet began discussing whether ECTS could take on this role. What started as a conversation quickly turned into action.

The workshop will take place from September 14–16, 2026, at the Frederiksdal Sinatur Hotel in Kongens Lyngby, Denmark.

Follow the link to find additional information about the [workshop](#) and how to register for the [event](#).

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## ECTS Consortia Corner

Dear ECTS Members,

We are thrilled to announce a new highlight at the ECTS Annual Meeting: the ECTS Consortia Corner!



This dedicated space in the poster area is intended to bring our research consortia into the spotlight — giving them a platform to present their work and connect with fellow members across the field of musculoskeletal research.

Whether you are leading an established consortium looking to expand your network, or a researcher eager to join forces with an existing group or create a new consortium, the Consortia Corner is your go-to hub for:

- Showcasing consortium research and achievements
- Fostering data exchange and collaborative opportunities
- Welcoming new members into existing consortia
- Inspiring the formation of new research partnerships

We believe that great science thrives on collaboration, and the Consortia Corner is our way of making those connections easier and more visible.

Interested in joining a consortium or learning more about what's already out there? We warmly encourage you to visit the “Consortia Corner” and mingle with your peers. Contact us at: [ects-programme@ectsoc.org](mailto:ects-programme@ectsoc.org)



*News from the world*

**News from the World: Nano-scale evidence for osteocyte network integration across bone remodelling interfaces in human bone revealed by synchrotron nanoCT.** By Antonio Maurizi

A new study explores how osteocyte networks reconnect across bone remodeling interfaces in human bone.

Using synchrotron nano-CT, researchers analyzed samples from 35 patients at sub-micron resolution. They found that the lacunar-canalicular network can integrate across cement lines between bone regions formed at different times.

The study identified both “cross-generational” canalicular connections and canalicular loops near cement lines. These loops may represent an adaptive search for reconnection when direct links are not available. The findings suggest that bone network formation combines random growth with directed progression guided by local tissue cues. Overall, the work offers new nano-scale insight into bone remodeling, tissue connectivity, and osteocyte survival in mineralized bone

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