Spot Light Country Japan-Functional anatomy of foot and ankle ligaments

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Title: Overview of the session by the Chair

It is our great honor to be invited as the spotlight country of EORS. We would like to express our sincere gratitude for the president and organizing committee of EORS. Japanese Orthopedic Association (JOA) which is consisted with only orthopedic surgeons has responsibility for orthopedic basic research in Japan. We have a custom that clinical doctors make basic researches with ourselves.

A recent topic in orthopedic sports medicine is early return to play and attention is focused on foot and ankle ligaments. To know functional anatomies of ligament is particularly important for surgical treatments. At first in this session, Dr. Yasui will make a presentation for the ankle lateral ligaments. Precise anatomy of the Lisfranc ligament, the distal tibiofibular ligament and spring ligament are presented by Dr. Hirano, Dr. Teramoto and Dr. Taniguchi, respectively. They are the leading experts in Japan concerning foot and ankle ligaments. Please enjoy the session and make up to date of your knowledge.