AOTrauma Course –
Basic Principles of Fracture Management
Swiss Surgeons
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Goal of the course
The AOTrauma Course for Swiss Surgeons is designed to provide the participants with basic treatment principles in operative management of the most common fractures based on the application of AO Principles.

Target participants
Residents in their first- to third-year training intending to specialize in general surgery or orthopedic surgery in a Language format of the course:
The formal lecture in the main auditorium will be in English. All small group discussions and practical exercises and case presentations will be either in German, French or Italian depending on each participant’s preference: Faculty will be split accordingly. Each participant will be asked during registration which language they will feel most comfortable in for the small discussion groups, case presentation and practical exercises. While registering (Step 3), you may enter your language preference in the participant comment box.

Course objectives
• Demonstrate a basic knowledge of the biology of bone healing and define logical steps for surgical fracture treatment.
• Read and analyze the x-rays of a fracture properly and apply the Müller AO Classification system.
• Recognize the relevance of accurate preoperative analysis and planning.
• Outline and use the AO principles in the treatment of diaphyseal and articular fractures.
• Apply the knowledge of soft-tissue injury in making appropriate decisions regarding treatment options and timing.

Course description
Course participants will learn the basic AOTrauma Principles of fracture management and be trained in the techniques for the management of common fractures. Each module consists of a number of evidence-based lectures which cover the recommended principle concepts. In practical exercises participants will gain experience in the application of these techniques. These same concepts are expanded and reinforced in small group discussions emphasizing indications, options, applications, and developing a valid decision-making process.

Course fee CHF 1’750.-
Online Registration from June 28
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