

LARGE BOTA CONTINGENT PLAYS AN ACTIVE ROLE @

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From May 7 till 9 a large delegation of the Belgian Orthopedic Trauma Association took part in the 18th annual European Congress of Trauma and Emergency Surgery



From left to right: Dr Guy Puzey, Dr Wim Vandesande, Prof. Pol Rommens, Dr Dan Putineanu arrive at the venue: the “peoples palace and parliament “ formerly the den of dictator Ceausescu





This was een awesome setting: the scale of this building is hard to grasp without having been there.









The BOTA delegation:



Dan Putineaunu
Guy Putzeys
Piet Reynders
Ionut Caradovici
Christophe Marchal
Olivier De Valkeneer
Alexander Valcu
Wim Vandesande





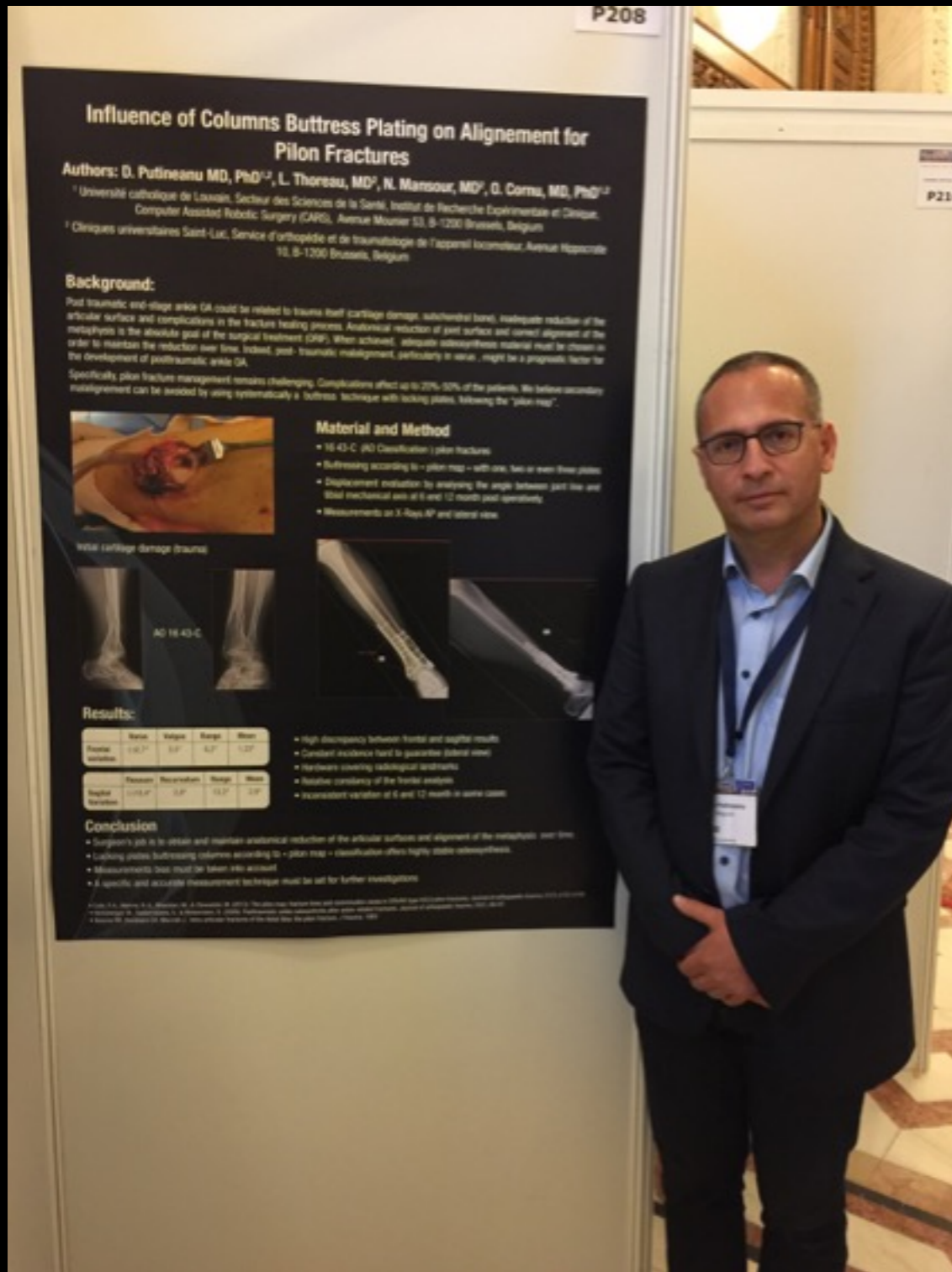
Dr Guy Putzeys had a poster on “Subchondral Anchor sutures fixed to a locking plate for the treatment of varus displaced humeral fractures in the elderly reduces significantly secondary varus displacement” . Guy also had an oral presentation on the same subject and was an invited speaker on “ THP vs BPH in hip fractures” during an instructional cause lecture on hip fractures in the elderly.



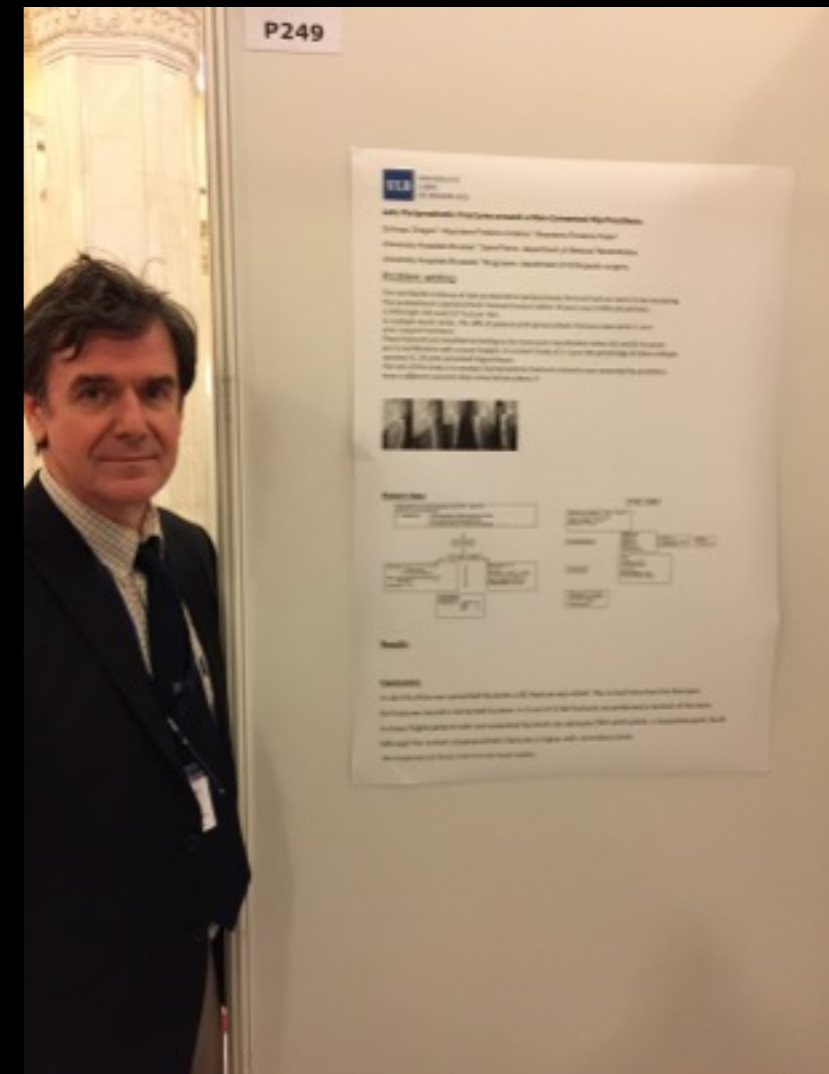
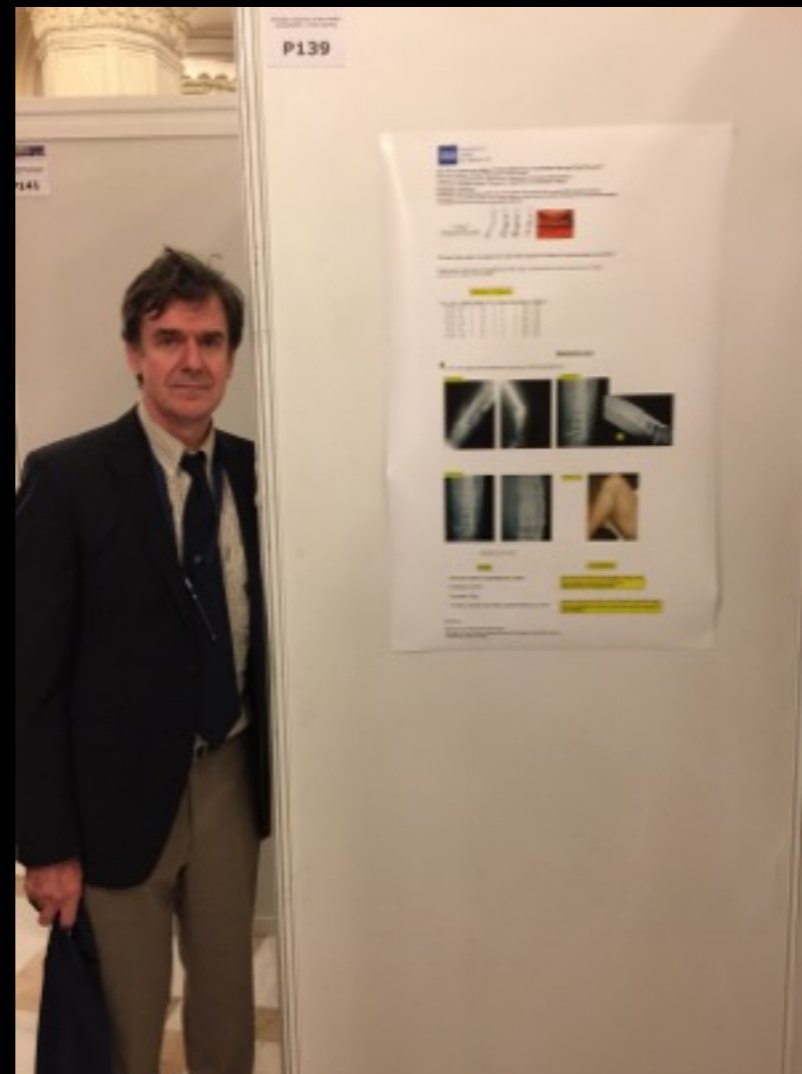
Dr. Thibault Dewilde, who is a resident with Guy at Kortrijk presented a poster on “Fixation of posterior and lateral Malleolar fractures using the posterolateral approach”. Thibault had an oral presentation on “Addition of a medial helical plate to osteosynthesis of a supracondylar femoral fracture“ during a session on lower limb trauma



Dr. Joris Anthonissen, also one of Guy's residents presented a poster on "Lets put it under the plate", This is about Guy's technique of bending the plate in humeral fractures and putting the radial nerve under the plate. Joris also had an oral communication about "pelvic ring fractures in the elderly population ,does the presence of a hip replacement alter the fracture pattern?"



Dr. Dan Putineanu presented two posters: one poster on “influence of columns buttress plating on alignment for pilon fractures “ and one on “ primary tibio-talo-calcaneal arthrodesis for severe pilon fractures “



Prof. Piet Reynders had three posters:

“ the wave plate according to Weber and Brunner. An obsolete therapeutic instrument from the past? “

“periprosthetic fractures around a non-cemented hip prosthesis “

“ percutaneous fixation of the anterior column of the pelvis. which waY best to take? “

He also did a nice presentation on distal tibial fractures

A neglected comminuted Schatzker VI tibial plateau fracture

L. Caracudovici, K. Abed, L. Fabek

A 60 years old male, hairless, with a history of alcohol addiction, sustained an injury falling down the stairs, and presented in the Emergency Department 5 days later.

The clinical examination shows a marked swelling in the knee and calf with circumferential blisters. The neurovascular exam is normal with no signs of compartment syndrome.



Exams: X-ray and CT-scan

Diagnosis: Schatzker IV comminuted intra-articular tibial plateau fracture with marked displacement.

Therapy and progression – two stage protocol



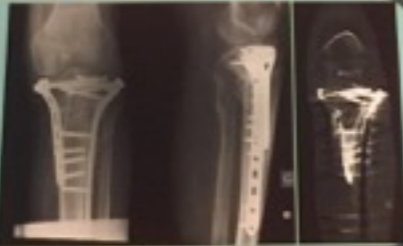
1. A spanning external fixator was placed. After blister debridement a definitive treatment was performed.



2. Fracture reduction was done using a double approach and a metaphyseal defect filling with demineralised bone graft was performed. The fracture was stabilised with 2 plates.

Weight bearing was not allowed for 3 months.

6 weeks after the surgery the patient started weight bearing. A partial hardware failure was noticed. The CT scanner showed a limited secondary displacement. A conservative approach was decided.



At 3 months follow-up the situation is unchanged. Weight bearing was allowed.



At the 6 months follow-up the patient is fully weight bearing and has intermediate pain in an acceptable range of motion. The CT-scanner shows signs of consolidation with a metaphyseal defect. Bone grafting was proposed to the patient but he refused any further treatment.



Comments:
Soft tissues management and patient characteristics are important factors in the evolution and on the healing of such a complex injury. A two stage protocol is very useful in treatment of complex periarticular fracture, allowing soft tissues healing before the definitive osteosynthesis.

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Dr Ionut Caracudovici , who works in St Pierre Brussels, presented a poster on “ A neglected comminuted schatzker 5 tibia plateau fracture”

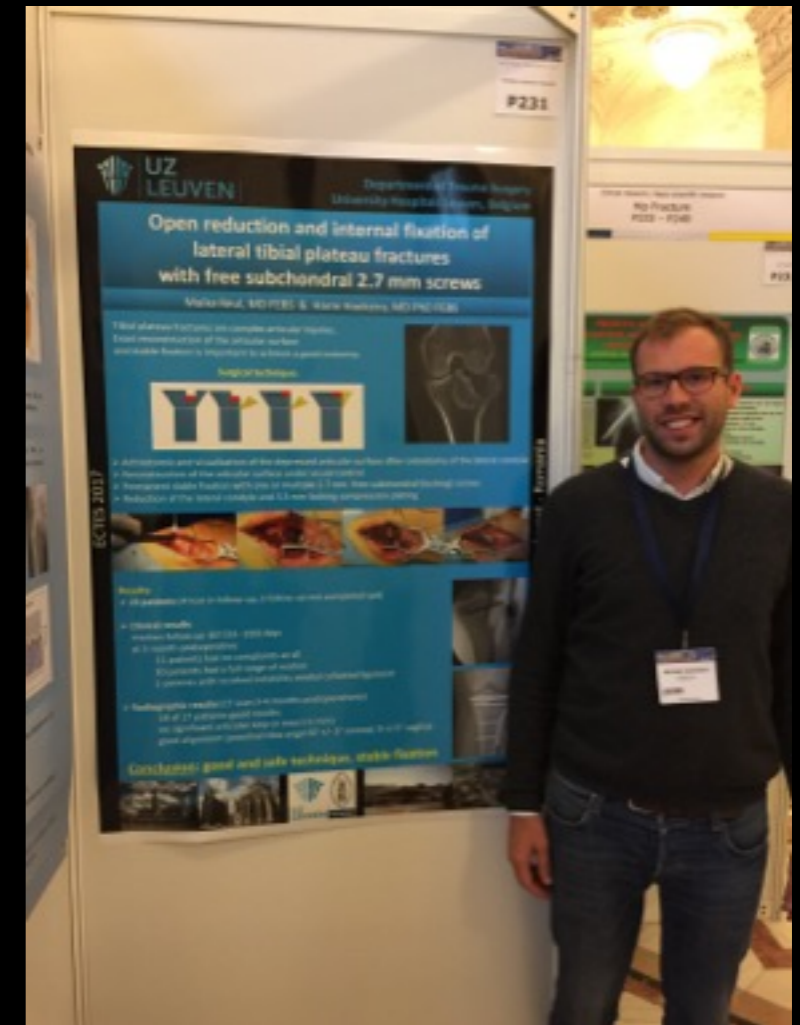
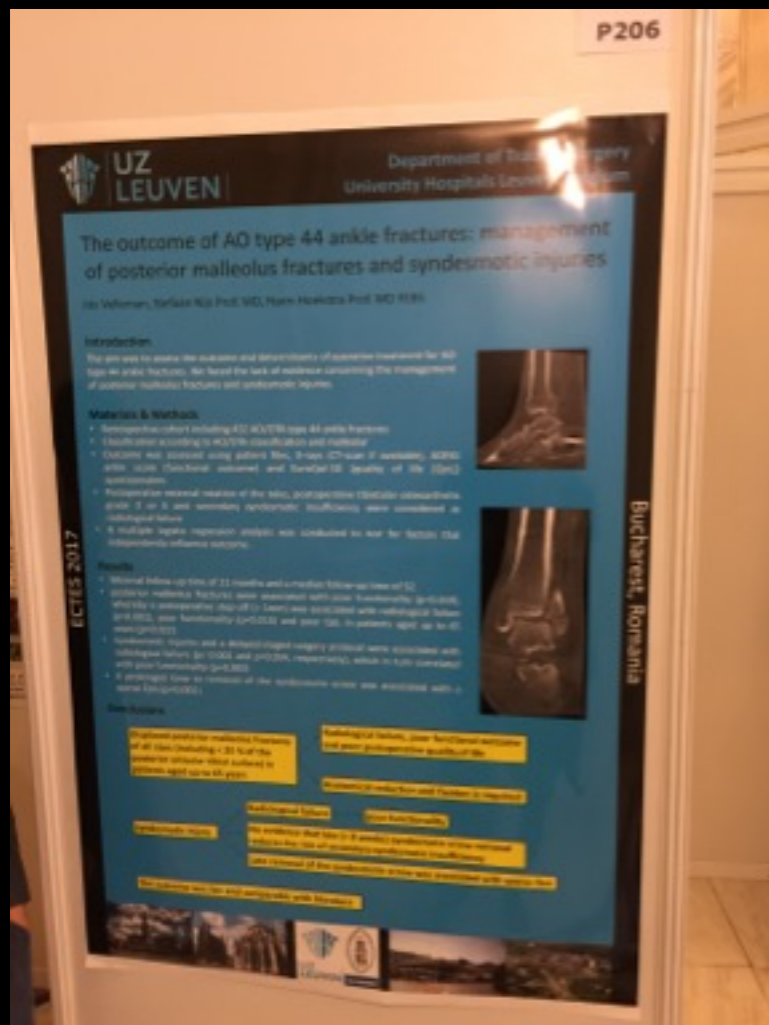




Dr Wim Vandesande presented an oral communication on
“Suprapatellar Tibial Nailing”



Dr Vandesande, Prof Reynders and Dr Dan Putineanu going along the posters



We also spotted a large delegation from UZ leuven GHB Traumatology:

Student Juriaan Van den Bergh presented a poster: “ functional outcome of tibial plateau fractures : “ the impact of posterior column fractures”

Dr. Michiel Herteleer, who is doing a PHD in Leuven had a poster on “Open reduction and internal fixation of lateral tibial plateau fractures with free subchondral 2.7 mm screws.



Prof. Stefan Nijs was one of the invited faculty and presented on the “Brussels disaster” and “Secondary reconstructions after proximal humerus fractures



Willem Jan Metsemakers (UZ GHB) presented on “intramedullary nailing after external fixation”



The Bota team having a dinner in one of the nice restaurants Bucharest has to offer



One evening Dan Putineanu took us to an authentic Romanian restaurant and demonstrated some traditional Romanian dances.





We also enjoyed an very agreeable evening in the Atheneaeum Romania listening to a Cello orchestra performing traditional Romanian music. Afterwards, during the walking dinner we met Professor Seligson: the inventor of the retrograde nail , 74 years old and still taking Call in Louisville Kentucky .



The historic center of Bucharest has many Orthodox churches with impressive fresco's and iconostases



The National History museum has a plaster copy of the Trajan column in Rome depicting the conquest of Dacia in 108 by emperor Trajanus