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Advancements in Prosthetics and Orthotics: Selected Articles from the Second World Congress hosted by the American Orthotic & Prosthetic Association (AOPA) is Published

WASHINGTON, D.C. – September 13, 2018 – The American Orthotic & Prosthetic Association (AOPA) in partnership with The Journal of Neuroengineering and Rehabilitation, JNER, a BioMed Central journal partner, is pleased to announce that the supplement, "Advancements in Prosthetics and Orthotics: Selected articles from the Second World Congress hosted by the American Orthotic & Prosthetic Association (AOPA)" has been published today. The full content of the supplement can be found at http://bit.ly/AdvancementsinOP.

Presenters of the identified papers were invited to submit their full manuscript to the JNER for rigorous peer-review and consideration for publication in a special topic edition on prosthetics and orthotics that would capture the essence of the 2017 World Congress. The goal of this special topics edition was to afford the scientific and clinical communities the opportunity to take a "deeper dive" into the detail of the top presentations of the 2017 AOPA World Congress. These topics were regarded as cutting-edge topics ranging from exercise testing and cardiovascular events in patients with limb loss to gait assessment and novel therapies such as use of a virtual environment during rehabilitation. Additionally and importantly, economic evaluations for orthotic and prosthetic devices are also included.

Numerous stakeholders are responsible for facilitating development of this special issue of JNER. The guest editorial board wishes to thank AOPA and its volunteer content committee for vetting and identifying its top papers and presenters, the American Board for Certification in Orthotics, Prosthetics and Pedorthics, Inc. for its generous sponsorship, to the authors for submitting their work and of course to the JNER team for their partnership. It is our hope that the entire community of stakeholders in prosthetics and orthotics benefit from the findings contained in this edition of the JNER.

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About AOPA

AOPA, based in Alexandria, Virginia, is the largest non-profit organization dedicated to helping orthotic and prosthetic businesses and professionals navigate the multitude of issues surrounding the delivery of quality patient care. The association was founded when needs of returning veterans in the aftermath of World War I required a national organization to address the educational and research requirements of the industry.

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