

MEET THE WORLD ASSOCIATION FOR LASER THERAPY (WALT)



WALT

World Association for Laser Therapy

The Association

The World Association for Laser Therapy was formed in 1994 in Barcelona, Spain, when two international organizations, namely, International Laser Therapy Association (ISLAM), unified to pursue the common goals of promoting research, education and clinical application of laser phototherapy world-wide. The congresses have then been held in Israel (1996); USA (1998 and 2014); Greece (2000); Japan (2002); Brazil (2004 and 2016); Cyprus (2006); South Africa (2008); Norway (2010); Australia (2012); and France (2018).

The Journal

Photobiomodulation, Photomedicine, and Laser Surgery is the official journal of the World Association for Laser Therapy and it is the leading photomedicine scientific journal. It is indexed in MEDLINE, Current Contents/Clinical Medicine, and EMBASE/Excerpta Medica, among others. It has an impact factor of 1.631. Published online only, 12 times a year, Photobiomodulation, Photomedicine, and Laser Surgery covers basic and clinical research, expanded applications, procedures in medicine, surgery, dentistry, safety, new instrumentation, optical diagnostics and the broad range of activities related to the understanding and applications of biophotonics in medicine.

Scientific Promotion

The Scientific Secretary leads the WALT Scientific Board, consisting of experts in fields like wound healing, dentistry, basic science and arthritis. The Scientific Committee is presenting recommendations for dosages, based on analyses of the available scientific literature. These recommendations can be found on the WALT website. The Scientific Committee is also active in improving the design of laser research and correcting flaws and misunderstandings in the literature. The Board is also available as consultants and advisors.

The Website

You can find out more by visiting www.walt.co.za

Executive Council

- President: Praveen R Arany (USA)
- President Elect: René-Jean Bensadoun (France)
- Vice President: Nicolette Houreld (South Africa)
- Past President: Jan Bjordal (Norway)
- Secretary General: Reza Fekrazad (Iran)
- Scientific Director: Rodrigo Lopes Martins (Brazil)
- Treasurer: Nicolette Houreld (acting) (South Africa)
- Membership Director: G. Arun Maiya (India)

Membership

The membership fee is \$120USD per annum and includes a membership certificate, annual electronic copies of the WALT eNewsletter, and access to the advisory facilities of the association. With online access to the journal included, individual membership fee is \$270USD per annum, where as the Institutional membership is \$380USD per annum. This does not only include the journal but also online access to its archives. Postgraduate students may enjoy Student membership at \$85USD per annum (student ID required). The easiest way of joining is to use the secure server on our website. WALT members are researchers, engineers, medical doctors, dentists, physiotherapists, nurses, chiropractors, manufacturers, acupuncturists etc. and there is no formal professional requirements for membership.

How to join

There are several ways of joining:

1. On-line payment via the secure server on [http://waltza.co.za/](http://waltza.co.za) Bank draft or IMO payable to The World Association for Laser Therapy
2. Bank transfer order to: HSBC (International Branch), PO Box 181, 27-32 Poultry, London EC2P 2BX, United Kingdom. Account name: World Association for Laser Therapy. Sort Code 40-05-15. Account number 35768843. Currency US Dollars
3. Cash payment in Euros or US Dollars to WALT official

If you join by choosing points 2 or 3, you will still need to register on the WALT website by choosing Off Line Payment.

I Want to Become a WALT Member

(Use BLOCK LETTERS please)

Name:.....

Profession:.....

Address:.....

Country:.....

Email:.....

Repeat Email:.....

Membership: Non-journal / Individual / Student /
Institutional

Sum:.....

Method of payment:.....