



Choosing a Fellowship

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DISCLOSURES

No financial disclosures
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OTA FELLOWSHIP MATCH TIMELINE

June 1, 2009:

Accepting applications

September 1, 2009

CAS Target Date

October 1, 2009-March 30, 2010

OTA and on-site Interviews

Tues. March 30, 2010

Rank Lists Submission Deadline

Tuesday, April 6, 2010

Match Day: Programs and Applicants are e-mailed match results

Wednesday, April 7

You may call SFMatch if you did not receive results.

Friday, April 9, 2010

Post match vacancies listed on SFMatch website

July/August 2011

Fellowships Begin

THE MATCH (2008/2009)

Greater number of applicants vs. positions over the last few years
Greater than 93% of applicants matched
Average applicant applied to 16 programs
Magic number of programs to rank in order to match was 4



Those that failed to match last year may have matched had they ranked enough programs



Orthopaedic Trauma MATCH REPORT - January, 2009

Orthopaedic Trauma Fellowship Match	Jan '09
Applicant registrations	110
CAS participants	83
# Applicant Rank Lists Submitted	74
Matched Total	69
Unmatched Total	5
% Matching Total	93%
# Applicants ranked by programs	71
Total # of Withdrawals	4
Positions Offered	81
Positions Filled	69
Unfilled Positions	12
Avg. CAS applications per applicant.	16
Avg. # of offers per applicant	4.33



INTERVIEWS

OTA vs. on-site

Great screening tool for applicant and program

6-month time span from OTA interviews to rank list submission

Visiting a program will change how *you are ranked*

More importantly...visiting a program will change *how you rank!*

Strongly recommend visiting select programs that you have high interest in

Be prepared with specific questions about the fellowship...they are interviewing you but you are also interviewing them

WHICH FELLOWSHIP?

Differs for the individual...personal interests, future ambitions

What is the personality and experience of the program?

How much pelvis/acetabulum, foot and ankle, upper extremity etc....

Use the OTA to talk to programs, current and past fellows, previous applicants

SUMMARY

Congratulations for choosing a career in orthopaedic trauma

Try to avoid applying too broadly

Rank enough programs

Strongly encourage visiting programs you have a strong interest in

Evaluate your interests and choose a fellowship most inline with your ambitions