



**UGANDA  
ORTHOPAEDIC  
ASSOCIATION**

*To popularize the science and art of  
orthopaedic surgery in order to avail  
services in all parts of the country*

In the 70's the late Professor Ron Huckstep from Makerere University, in Kampala Uganda, was one of the founding-fathers of **World Orthopaedic Concern** (see pages in history WOC).

The **Uganda Orthopaedic Association (UOA)** was formed in 2006. 10 years later the association has grown to > 50 members and 45 associate members, has its own [website](#) and digital journal and meets regularly.

Under the auspices of **SICOT** the Department of Orthopedics (Makerere University) offer fellowships to interested young orthopedic surgeons. ([click here for info](#))

May 2016 **UOA** agreed to become also officially affiliated with **World Orthopaedic Concern (WOC)** to facilitate contacts and collaboration with overseas groups and organisations which have the objective to help improve orthopaedic and traumatological care in LMICs.

The current chair of the Department of Orthopedics Makerere University, Dr Isaac Kajja, is willing to act as linkman to WOC-members for practical purposes like coordinating research-projects, information about places where help is needed and so on; for professional association related matters the UOA-president should be contacted.

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From the UOA website:

### Useful Links

[www.mulago.or.ug](http://www.mulago.or.ug)

[www.health.go.ug](http://www.health.go.ug)

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## Some ongoing projects and collaborations:

### MAKERERE UNIVERSITY

- \* **Fukui University (Japan)**                      **Prof. Hisatoshi Baba MD, PhD**                      [\(info\)](#)  
\* training center at Makerere University focussed on trauma-care                      [\(info\)](#)
- \* **Health Volunteers Overseas (USA)**                      [\(website\)](#)
- \* **Assiut University (Egypt)**                      **Prof. Hatem Galal El-Din Zaki Said**                      [\(contact data\)](#)
- \* **University of British Columbia-UBC (Canada):**



[\(website\)](#)

### KUMI HOSPITAL

[\(website\)](#)

- \* **WOC-NL ( World orthopaedic Concern-The Netherlands)**  
**Working Group Orthopaedics Overseas / Dutch Orthop. Assoc. (NOV)**
  - \* collaboration started in 2011
  - \* 2-3/p.yr two week- orthop. camps
  - \* funding ext. training local staff
  - \* construction and equip new orth & trauma theatre (start 2017)
  - \* renovation old theatre for general use (2018)
  - \* funding led by Rotary Goes-Reymerswaal (NL) in collaboration with Rotary Kumi & Uganda Investment Corporation & Dutch Foundation Orthopaedics Overseas
- \* contact in Uganda:    **Dr Robert Olupot (Medical Director & general surgeon)**                      [\(email\)](#)
- \* contact in NL:                      **Dr Bas van Fraassen (orthopaedic surgeon)**                      [\(email\)](#)



Visit Dr Landheer (Med. Director Kumi 1969-1974 - Immunologist & Leprosy Specialist) and wife to Kumi June 2014 -during Dutch orthopedic camp  
from left to right: Med. Director Kumi Hospital Dr Robert Olupot with Dr Landheer & wife and Dr Bas van Fraassen & Dr Antoon Schlösser , Dutch orthop. surgeons

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