OsEAN The sixth Open Forum "Teaching Osteopathic Diagnostics"
Proposal is for a Keynote, a Workshop or both

Title:
5 models: are they really useful for osteopathic diagnosis?

Osteopathic models are getting more and more considered within osteopathic practice. In many countries we start to introduce them within the curricula and we try to use them to implement the clinical reasoning and the osteopathic diagnosis. But there are many difficulties in understanding how to really use them and in some cases also “what they really are”.

To date, there are few references in the literature and multiple and varied interpretations.

The purpose of the ws is to propose an interpretation based on the use of models as a tool to manage uncertainty and complexity in osteopathic clinical evaluation. In addition as a tool to communicate with trainees, patients and clinic tutor and make clinical reasoning explicit and as clear as possible.

All this through the use of tools to help describe and visualize the patient's clinical history and make communication with peers, tutors and patients more immediate.

A strong point of the model-based approach is represented by the opportunity to links different variables of different systems, giving the possibility to discuss, deepen and clarify, as far as possible, these variables.
The difficulty that can be found however is that the complex reasoning became chaotic especially if not well organized (difficulty often present during the clinical training).
During the ws will be given some example and tools used during the shared experience within the ISO Milan.

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