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Dear IADMFR members and colleagues,

Greetings from Philadelphia, Brotherly-love City and Birthplace of the United States!

First, I would like to express my gratitude to all IADMFR Board Members and Regional Directors for your reports and contributions to this newsletter. In the issue, President Li-Ming Lin will invite all members to attend the 21st ICDMFR, which will be held in Kaohsiung, Chinese Taipei on April 26-29, 2017. On behalf of all members of IADMFR, Prof. Mohamed Parker, the Secretary General will pay a special tribute to the founding father of the International Association of Dentomaxillofacial Radiology, Prof. Gregorio Faivovich, who passed away on July 13, 2016 at the age of 93. In addition, reports from DMFR Editor, Prof. Ralf Schulze, and all Regional Directors will be included.

On September 28 October, 2016 the American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (AAOMR) held its 67th annual meeting in Scottsdale, Arizona, USA. As the immediate past-president of AAOMR, I am very pleased to share with you the news that range of attendees for the annual meeting was a record. Oral and maxillofacial radiologists came not only from the USA and Canada, but also from Australia, New Zealand, and many other countries in South America, Europe, and Asia. We have not seen so many international colleagues attend an American annual meeting for many years.

For this year’s annual meeting, we have added one full day of continuing educational courses on head and neck radiology. We invited Ric Harnsberger and Wendy Smoker, world-known head and neck radiologists to systematically review the anatomy and pathology in the head and neck regions. We also invited many well-known oral and maxillofacial radiologists, as well as other dental specialists from the USA and Canada, to address the latest advances of CBCT and other advanced imaging modalities in the maxillofacial region. More details can be seen in the North American Regional Director’s Reports.

Nowadays, many AAOMR members are practicing oral and maxillofacial radiology outside dental schools. Teleradiology has become an important part of their daily practice. Since many US States have limited oral and maxillofacial radiologists, we cannot cover imaging consultation for the entire dental community in the USA without teleradiology. To promote the radiology practice, an AAOMR Executive Council (EC) position statement on teleradiology has been developed. The EC position statement on teleradiology was presented at the Dental Specialty Group meeting of the American Dental Association in August 2016, and will be published in Oral Surgery, Oral Medicine, Oral Pathology, Oral Radiology (OOOO) soon.

We are now living in an integrated world. To promote international collaborations, the Executive Council of AAOMR has voted to combine the 70th AAOMR annual session with the 22nd International Congress of Dento-Maxillo-Facial Radiology (ICDMFR). The Canadian Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (CAOMR) is also exploring the possibility to join the 22nd ICDMFR in 2019. This will be the first time in the history of IADMFR, AAOMR, and possibly CAOMR, to have three organizations meet together on US soil. We hope that this joint meeting will attract a huge number of oral and maxillofacial radiologists worldwide, promote collaborations, and bring innovative ideas to all organizations.

Sincerely,

Dr Jie Yang
President-elect and Newsletter Editor of IADMFR
President of American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology

Picture 1. 2016 AAOMR Annual Session Delegate’s Welcome Reception, Picture 2. 2016 AAOMR Annual Session Conference Hall, Picture 3. 2016 AAOMR Annual Session Held in Scottsdale, Arizona, USA
Greetings,

On behalf of the members of the organizing committee for the upcoming IADMFR 2017, I sincerely appreciate the opportunity to select Kaoshiung as the host for our bi-annual World Congress next year. As your hosts, we are prepared and ready. As well as the headquarters (hotel) for hosting this conference, I would like to address the academic program, in particular, which reflects the seven central features carefully selected for the 2017 World Congress (as shown herein), which include: new imaging technology in head & neck regions; craniofacial & jaw bone diseases; radiation oncology; the TMJ series; salivary gland diseases; special systemic & oral conditions vs. disorders; and the educational program related to the practice of oral radiology specialty. On a special note, I would like to further mention some invited keynote speakers that we will be contacting for their participation in this bi-annual World Congress at Kaohsiung, such as: Professors Reinhilde JACOBS (Belgium), Sharon BROOKS (US), Yan-Fang REN (US), Christos Angelopoulos (US), Jie YANG (US), Ralph SCHULZE (Germany), Tore ALARHEIM (Norway), Paul F VAN DER STELT (Netherland), Silvina F. BARENBOIM (Israel), Junichi ASAUMI (Japan), Kazuya HONDA (Japan), Takashi KANEDA (Japan), Kaoru KOBAYASHI (Japan), Kazuaki HARADA (Japan), Yoshinori ARAI (Japan), Kazimierz SZOPINSKI (Poland), Danisia HABA (Romania), Claudia NOFFKE (South Africa), Kivanç KAMBURO LU (Turkey), Andres BRINER (Chile), Soon-Chul CHOI (Korea), Eun-Kyung KIM (Korea), Sam-Sun LEE (Korea), Ruwan Duminda JAYASINGHE (Sri Lanka), Suhardjo SITAM (Indonesia), Xiao-Feng TAO (China), Song-Lin WANG (China), Ming-Lun Hsu (Chinese Taipei), Sanat Kumar BHUYAN (India), and honorary guests from Beijing, Professors. Ma, Chang, Lee, etc. Together their lectures and seminars will highlight the keynotes and each of the seven central features in our daily scientific program as intended.

We trust that a challenging and diverse academic program representing each and every unique section of the oral radiology specialty fields at this World Congress will attract our members and an international audience to participating in this event, thereby ensuring its success.

Dr Li Min Lin
IADMFR President
In June this year, President Li-Min Lin and his 6 colleagues (Dr. Ming-Gene Tu, Dr. Caroline Chiao-Yin Lin, Dr. Wei-Quen Wang, Dr. Hon-Juan Lin, Dr. Chao-Min Lin, Dr. Ron-Tin He) went to Cardiff, Wales to attend the annual meeting of International Congress of EADMFR (See following pictures).

Besides the academic presentation, we aim to encourage people from Europe to participate in the 21st International Congress of IADMFR in Kaohsiung, Chinese Taipei on April 26-29 next year (see pictures at booth). We met many international friends (Poland, Romania, and Korea) at the Gala dinner in the great Cardiff Museum.
Call for nominations for the Board of Directors (2017-2019)

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the IADMFR I wish to call for nominations for the Board of Directors for the period 2017-2019. The new Board will be on duty from the General Assembly at the IADMFR Congress in Kaohsiung (Chinese Taipei) in 2017 until the G.A. at the Congress in Philadelphia (USA) in 2019.

There will be in total 12 Regional Directors.

- One Regional Director from: Africa, Middle East, and Australasia
- Two Regional Directors from: Asia, Europe, North America
- Three Regional Directors for Latin America

The Regional Directors will be elected for a period of two years and can be re-elected to a maximum term of 8 years.

Nominees will need to be proposed and seconded by two members of IADMFR in their region. Nominations, together with a brief CV of the nominee, should be sent by email no later than January 15, 2017 to:

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Dear Members,

Greetings from Cape Town. I hope all our colleagues are getting ready for the 21st ICDMFR in Kaohsiung, Chinese Taipei, from the 26 to 29 April 2017. I made a brief visit to Kaohsiung in August, and can assure you that the Local Organising committee under the leadership of Dr Li Min Lin are putting together a promising scientific and social programme. We look forward to seeing you all in Kaohsiung.

Please find below a draft agenda for the General Assembly in Kaohsiung. The reports and other materials will be available on the IADMFR website (www.iadmfr.org) by the end of March 2017.

Draft Agenda for the General Assembly of the IADMFR

Date: 28 April 2017 16h30 to 17h30

Venue: International Hall, Level 2, Ambassador Hotel  
Minsheng 2nd Road, Kaohsiung 80114

1. Welcome and Opening of the Meeting
2. Absentees and alternates
3. Minutes of the General Assembly
4. Report of the Secretary General
5. Report of the Treasurer/Finance committee
6. Past President’s Report
7. President’s Report
8. Report of the President-Elect
9. Report of the Newsletter Editor
10. Editor’s Report
11. Publisher’s Report
12. Committee Reports
13. IADMFR Research Award 2017
14. Report of the Nominating Committee
15. Other items as submitted
16. Closure
It is with profound sadness that we learnt of the death of Prof. Gregorio Faivovich on the 13 July 2016 at the age of 93. It is indeed an honour for me as the Secretary General of the IADMFR to pay tribute to the founding father of the International Association of Dentomaxillofacial Radiology. I first met Gregorio at the 7th ICDMFR in London in 1985 and since then received a Christmas card from him every year. Gregorio was born on the 30 November 1923 in Santiago, Chile. He graduated from the University of Chile as a dentist in 1948 and continued to specialize in Maxillofacial Radiology. He taught at the university for over 40 years and retired as a full Professor. During his tenure at the University of Chile, Gregorio was very active in the development of the university and the specialty of Maxillofacial Radiology. In acknowledgement of his contribution, the university honoured him with a Diploma from the Faculty of Dentistry and a medal from the University of Chile.

During his career Gregorio’s primary focus was on scientific investigations. He worked alone as well as collaborated with teams of colleagues and published his findings in both national and international journals. Gregorio also travelled extensively throughout the world presenting his work. In the mid sixties as a result of the combination of his love for research, his contacts with scientific societies abroad and his visionary leadership he was tasked to organize an international conference in Maxillofacial Radiology in Chile. As Gregorio in his own words said: “We had this crazy idea of gathering the scientific community from across the globe in this far away country”.

By this time Gregorio was the President of the Chilean Society of Dental Radiology, a role to which he was elected for several consecutive periods. After overcoming heavy opposition from less optimistic colleagues, he finally managed to put together a team to assist him to organize the conference.

I had the privilege together with Profs. Curly Nortje and Gerard Sanderink of visiting Gregorio at his home in Santiago on 26 August 2015 during the 20th ICDMFR. Gregorio indicated: “Organizing the first International Maxillofacial Radiology conference was not an easy task. We didn’t have many resources but we had a lot of enthusiasm. We sent hundreds of long letters explaining our project. Many of these letters were never replied to, however we did receive responses from different corners of the world.” According to Gregorio the responses clearly demonstrated that there was a huge interest in expanding and sharing knowledge in Maxillofacial Radiology.

Gregorio said: “I still keep part of the correspondence from those days. I have not been able to throw them away as for me they represent the spirit of a beautiful and exciting time in my life.”

The First Congress of Maxillofacial Radiology was a great success attended by over 1000 delegates from many countries. It was during this congress that the IADMFR was born and Gregorio became its first President. Throughout the years Gregorio was very devoted to the development of the IADMFR. Gregorio’s contribution to the IADMFR was recognized by making him an honorary member and President Emeritus.

In 1974 Gregorio got married to Miguelina Recabarren who herself is also a dentist and Maxillofacial Radiologist. She teamed up with Gregorio in his private practice in downtown Santiago. Gregorio was very close to Miguelina who supported and accompanied him throughout his personal and professional projects. In 1975 Gregorio and his wife moved to Malmo, Sweden on an academic residency at the University of Lund (courtesy of a scholarship from the Swedish Institute). During his 2 year stay in Sweden their only son Recardo was born. Gregorio participated in various projects and shared professional experiences with his Swedish colleagues who became lifelong friends.
In 1997 Gregorio made yet another remarkable contribution to the IADMFR by publishing a book on the 25 years of the IADMFR 1968 to 1994. In the preface of the book Gregorio states “the book is a well documented story of the foundation and history of our Association”. The book will serve as a reference for many generations.

Although Gregorio was not active in the IADMFR in the last years of his life, his heart and soul was still with the organisation. When I visited him in 2015 he shared many memories with us. He was overjoyed that the congress was back in Santiago Chile after 47 years.

In his last days Gregorio spent a lot of time with his two grandsons Alex and Eloy.

Gregorio took leave of us on the 13 July 2016, but has left behind a huge legacy through the IADMFR. We will miss you Gregorio but your contributions will be remembered forever. We extend our sincere condolences to his wife Miguilina, his son Recardo, his daughter-in-law Macarina and grandsons Alex and Eloy.

Mohamed E. Parker
Secretary General

IADMFR Research Award

Submit your work to the IADMFR Research Award 2017 in Kaoshiung, Chinese Taipei!

Three prizes up to 4000 US dollars plus a travel grant to the next IADMFR meeting will be awarded.

Finalists will be able to present their work at the 21st International Congress of Dental and Maxillofacial Radiology in Kaoshiung, Chinese Taipei (26 April to 29 April 2017).

The winners will be determined during the Kaoshiung congress.

For more information see:
http://www.iadmfr2017.tw/
http://www.iadmfr.org/Services/ResearchAward/tabid/238/Default.aspx

Deadlines:
Submission of Abstract plus extended Abstract: 30 November 2016

We are looking forward to receiving your submissions!

Sincerely,
Ralf Schulze
Chairman of the IADMFR Research Award Committee
Editor’s Report

Dear colleagues, dear friends,

Time flies, it’s already five years since I took over from Sharon Brooks as Editor-in-Chief of Dentomaxillofacial Radiology. During that time I had to learn a lot, as being an Editor is somewhat different from my previous work. Firstly, a strategy is needed to identify manuscripts that could be of interest to the readership. If the journal is in a position to receive more submissions than it can publish, the editor has to select those that are the “best-value” for the journal. Fortunately, DMFR was in a very healthy condition in 2011, and the submission rate was sufficiently high to support selectivity. I strongly believe that this is essential to produce a high-quality journal. Probability alone tells us that it is unlikely each submission will be high-quality. Of course, a journal should always aim to receive the best possible manuscripts in the field.

Overall, I have learnt that the quality of manuscripts roughly follows the typical Gaussian distribution with a fairly high standard deviation. We are still quite selective in DMFR with an overall average acceptance rate of a little less than 20%. This, however, means that we have to reject slightly over 80% of all manuscripts submitted. While this high rate seems disappointing on the surface, it proves that DMFR is healthy and doing well. This finding is also supported by the impact factor (IF) for 2015 which was 1.919. While we should not view the IF as absolute, since its weaknesses are common knowledge today, it shows that the citation rate to papers published in DMFR seems promising. But be aware that the IF of small-scale journals like DMFR tends to suffer from relatively large year-to-year fluctuations for mathematical reasons. High citation rates to only a single manuscript published can make a huge difference to the IF!

Having said that, I would like to encourage all of you to further contribute to the success of our journal in the future! For instance, if you are reviewing for DMFR, please be timely and please always include a detailed written evaluation in your review. Every scientific journal strongly depends on the quality of its body of reviewers, DMFR is no exception. The Editors Min-Suk Heo, Gang Li and Johan Aps also do their very best to ensure timely processing of the manuscripts from the editorial side. I am very grateful for their excellent work without which I certainly could not do this job at all. The same applies to all our reviewers! Let’s continue our efforts for DMFR to ensure it remains the leading international scientific journal in oral and maxillofacial radiology!

Sincerely,

Ralf Schulze
Editor-in-Chief DMFR
We are well into spring in South Africa and it is remarkable to witness the exquisite explosion of colours in nature.

Pretoria is turning purple with the blossoming of Jacaranda trees. This shift in colour has become synonymous with the end of year examinations and reflects the stress levels experienced by students in our city.

The national student revolt against the high tuition fees, however, has led to the postponement of the end of year exams at most universities and completion of the academic year is threatened.

The promise of free education made during the liberation of the country is now haunting politicians as the present fiscal status does not allow this promise to be fulfilled. We have not progressed with the establishment of OMR as a specialty since our last newsletter. In South Africa we compete for good post graduate students within the dental disciplines in which registration as specialists are possible.

My firm belief is that as the demand for CBCT examinations and other specialized diagnostic modalities unfolds, the dream of establishing a registered specialty in OMR will ultimately be realized in our country. Although there are no courses offered in OMR in South Africa over the next term, you are all welcome to visit our beautiful country with its diverse fauna and flora.

Claudia Noffke
IADMFR Regional Director, Africa

Greetings from Japan,

A new president, Prof. Junichi Asaumi D.D.S, Ph.D. of Okayama University, was elected by the Japanese Society for Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (JSOMR). He has been enthusiastic and active in our field, not only in diagnosis but also in radiation therapy. We are looking forward to further success under his leadership.

The 57th general assembly and annual scientific congress of JSOMR was held in Osaka from 17 to 19 June 2016 under the auspices of assembly President Professor Mininari Shinizutani of the Department of Oral Radiology at Osaka Dental University. The meeting was attended by over 200 doctors each day. The main theme of this congress was “Cooperation with other fields”. There were about 80 presentations around the basic science, image diagnosis and radiation therapy. The Hanamura Memorial Lectures consisted of two presentations: “A personal history of diagnosis and therapy” by Prof. Junichi Asaumi of Okayama University, and “Medical-engineering cooperation in Oral radiology” by Prof. Akitoshi Katsumata of Asahi University. The special lecture was “Proton radiation therapy for DentMaxilloFacial regions” by Prof. Shigeyuki Murayama of the Institute of Cancer Center of Shizuoka prefecture. The educational lecture was “Boron-neutron capture therapy for recurrence of oral cavity cancer” by Itsuro Kato of Osaka University. The Symposium was “Cooperation with other fields” which was a panel discussed between specialists in oral radiology and doctors in general practice on tele-radiology.

I’m looking forward to participating in the 21st ICDMFR in Kaohsiung.

Yoshinori Arai DDS, PhD
IADMFR Regional Director, Asia
The 15th ECDMFR took place at City Hall, Cardiff, Wales from 15-18 June 2016. In total the congress attracted over 270 delegates, mainly from Europe but there were also attendees from further afield including Brazil, India, Nepal, Indonesia, USA and Chinese Taipei.

The scientific programme was very full with nearly 80 oral presentations and 100 poster presentations given. There were 5 keynote speakers: Rhodri Evans, Eric Whaites, Jackie Brown, Louise Hauge Matzen and Jim Thurston. They spoke on a range of topics including ultrasound of the salivary glands, guidelines for the use of CBCT in the management of the lower third molar and minimally invasive salivary intervention. All the speakers were excellent and their presentations generated a lot of useful discussion.

The programme included a film viewing session which was a valuable interactive session where the delegates could vote using handsets on the likely diagnoses of the cases being shown. This is always a popular session and proved to be a useful learning experience.

During the congress 2 workshops were run. The first was a digital imaging workshop led by Dr Bart Vandenburghe. This included workstations where the delegates could practice a range of hands-on techniques including 3D model segmentation of teeth and digital impression taking. The ultrasound workshop was led by Dr Rose Ngu and included the use of ultrasound machines on ‘patients’, ultrasound guided biopsies and also endoscopy. Both sessions were thoroughly enjoyed and the hope is that similar workshops will be put on at future congresses.

There was a full social programme too. It was great to catch up with everyone at the evening events. On the Thursday, the evening dinner was held at the National Museum for Wales. This included a reception in the impressionist’s gallery where there were paintings by Monet, Van Gogh and Renoir. Another highlight was the Gala dinner on the Friday evening at the Principality stadium.

The venue is the home of Welsh Rugby union and has hosted several major sporting events including the Rugby World Cup and the FA cup final. The evening included a tour of the stadium as well as a delicious sit down meal.

The congress was a great success overall and we are all looking forward to the next congress to be held in Lucerne, Switzerland in 2018.

Nicholas Drage
Chair of Local Organising Committee for ECDMFR Cardiff 2016
A short review of the dental radiology sessions held during the FDI Congress in Poznan from 7 to 10 September 2016

The 104th Annual World Dental Congress of the FDI took place in Poznan which is situated in Poland, halfway between Warsaw and Berlin. Almost, 4000 delegates from 125 countries from all over the world participated in the scientific part of the Congress which included lectures, workshops, hands-on courses and poster sessions. The dental practitioners who attended also had an opportunity to discuss topics directly with leading experts in different fields of dentistry during “Meet the expert” sessions and could be brought up to date about innovations during the “Industry Symposia” part of the Congress.

An FDI congress is an opportunity to discuss current problems of oral health and also to shape some future trends which could possibly affect the life of millions of people. This also formed part of this year’s deliberations of the FDI World Dental Parliament which preceded the Congress. This established an international consensus on how to define oral health and adopted the definition of oral health as an integral part of general health and well-being. The Parliament decided to initiate a campaign in 2017 entitled “Live Mouth Smart” which will use a special mobile application. It places emphasis on the fact that people can take care about their oral health throughout life by applying preventive measures.

As far as dental radiology was concerned, two “Dental imaging” scientific sessions, as well as a hands-on course, were organized during the Congress. Professor Kaan Orhan presented an overview on the evaluation of temporomandibular joint disorders by different imaging techniques, while Professor Ingrid Różył-Kalinowska discussed “Always on time” - issues of technical errors and artefacts in dentomaxillofacial radiology with some practical tips on how to avoid them.

In a separate lecture, justification for the use of CBCT and the limitation criteria for general dental practitioners were reviewed. With the help of industrial partners, a hands on course about maxillofacial ultrasound imaging was also held.

The 2016 FDI Congress was rated highly by the participants and the city of Poznan victoriously survived the visit of more than 10,000 Congress attendees and visitors to the dental trade fair, which was organized at the same site in the center of Poznan, the internationally known World Trade Center Poznań.

Dr Tomasz Kulczyk
Member of the Local Organizing Committee
EADMFR’s 16TH EUROPEAN CONGRESS OF DENTOMAXILLOFACIAL RADIOLOGY

Dear colleagues,

On behalf of the The European Academy of Dentomaxillofacial Radiology we are inviting members of the International Association of Dentomaxillofacial Radiology to join us all in June 2018 to discuss how to improve DMFR and elaborate its future challenges. Right between our own congresses in Kaohsiung 2017 and Philadelphia 2019, meet all kind of specialists from The European Academy of Dentomaxillofacial Radiology in the heart of Europe. Remember, Lucerne ranks amongst the world’s prettiest cities, and there is so much to be seen.

The conference will take place at the The Swiss Museum of Transport in Lucerne – the one-of-a-kind, Verkehrshaus, just a few metres away from the beautiful shores of Lake Lucerne. An outstanding social programme has also been arranged for accompanying guests and families. Feel free to find more information via the websites http://eadmfr.org/meetings & http://www.luzern.com/en/!

It is with great pleasure that we all look forward to welcoming you...

Best wishes from the hosts,

EADMFR – The European Academy of Dentomaxillofacial Radiology

...bis bald, à bientôt, a presto, a revair from the local organising committee,

SADMFR – Swiss association of dentomaxillofacial radiology

Greetings from South America,

On 19, 20 and 21 May in the city of Buenos Aires the capital of Argentina, the XI Latin American Congress of Maxillofacial Radiology took place. This conference was organized by AADIMAX (Asociación Argentina de Diagnóstico por Imágenes Maxilo Facial) in the historic hotel Plaza of Buenos Aires city. About 250 colleagues from 11 Latin American countries, USA and Spain participated in three days of courses and lectures useful scientific training.

There were featured speakers US colleagues; Dr. Bruno Acevedo and Francisco Eraso and from Brazil, Dra. Danda. From Chile, Dr. Andres Briner, from Argentina, Dr. Abdo and Dra. Batalles and from Mexico Dr. Gonzalez. At the scientific meeting, six special lectures including: “Nuclear Medicine”, “Temporomandibular joint”, “Oral Patology”, “ Salivary Glands” “Maxillary Sinuses” “Air Ways” and 7 oral presentations were also held to complement the lectures and reinforce the knowledge acquired.

Also attendees participated with 80 free papers in oral and poster presentation mode in 2 categories: case reports and research report. These subjects were evaluated by the Scientific Committee of the Congress and were awarded the following works: Efectos de los parámetros de exposición y espesores de corte sobre la detección del canal mandibular en la tomografía computada. (Jasa G.*; Shimizu M.; Takeshita Y.; Okamura K.; Yoshiura K.) from Uruguay and Estudo Anatômico Dos Septos Sinusais Por Meio De Tomografias Computadorizadas De Feixe Cônico (Araújo L. F.; Santos M. S.; Antunes A. A.) from Brazil. Ricardo Luberti from Argentina, Israel Chilvarquer from Brazil and Hugo Aguayo Olivares were recognized for their teachings careers.

In addition to the scientific activities, attendees enjoyed an unforgettable night in Sr Tango with a show that remembers the origins of tango to its current versions.

The warmth of the city of Buenos Aires and the group of attendees made this event memorable and created enjoyable friendships between those present.

Dr. Adriana Poletto
IADMFR Latin American Director
Guillermo Moreno Zárate (Sociedad de Radiología Oral y Maxilofacial de Chile President) Adriana Poletto (IADMFR South American Director) Hugo Dagum (AADMIMAX Asociación Argentina De Diagnóstico por Imágenes Maxilofacial President) German Aguilar (ALARID Asociación Latinoamericana de Radiología e Imagenología Dental President) Andres Briner (Past President IADMFR)

Dr. Hugo Aguayo Olivares (Perú), Guillermo Moreno Zarate (Sociedad de Radiología Dental y Maxilofacial de Chile President), Israel Chilvarquer (Brazil) Ricardo Luberti (Argentina)

Dr. Guillermo Concha (Chile)
In Saudi Arabia approval has been obtained for the establishment of the Saudi Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (SOMFR) Club, under the auspices of the Saudi Dental Society. Planning is currently underway for the SOMFR Club to present a pre-congress course at the upcoming 28th Saudi Dental Society International Conference, to be held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia on January 10-12, 2017.

A 2 day didactic and hands-on course on Cone Beam CT is to be held on Dec 21-22, 2016 in Makkah under the auspices of the Saudi Dental Society. The course is to be presented by a multidisciplinary team of radiologists, surgeons, and prosthodontists.

Dr. Asma’a Al-Ekrish served as a Member of the Program Committee for the 30th International Congress and Exhibition on Computer Assisted Radiology and Surgery (CARS) (June 21 – 25, 2016- Heidelberg, Germany) and was session chair for the scientific session on Computed Maxillofacial Imaging: Segmentation & Statistical Reconstruction. She also gave an oral presentation about the Effect of Ultra Low MDCT doses and ASIR and MBIR on Accuracy of CAD Models of the Jaws.

Dr. Ebtihal Zain Alabdeen, gave an oral presentation entitled “Incidental Cone Beam Computed Tomographic findings among Taibah University patients, Saudi Arabia”, on the 15th ECDMFR, Cardiff, UK, 15 -18 June 2016.

At the same conference Assistant Professor Mustafa Alkader from Jordan University of Science and Technology presented a poster entitled “The visibility of mandibular canal on orthoradial and oblique CBCT slices at molar implant sites”

Associate Professor Dr. Zainul Ahmad B. Rajion, from College of Dentistry, King Saud bin Abdulaziz University for Health Sciences, Riyadh presented a lecture entitled “Craniofacial Imaging and Biomodelling” at the Translational Craniofacial Conference, 9 -11 August 2016, Penang, Malaysia. He will also give an oral presentation entitled “Gorlin-Goltz syndrome: Radiological features and CADCAM application in facial prostheses” at the 11th Asian Congress of Oral and Maxillofacial Congress that will be held in Chiang Mai, Thailand on November 10-12, 2016. For information about presenting authors on the congress check the website: http://www.acomfr2016.org

For upcoming events in Saudi, a course on Digital Dental Practice Management, will be presented by Dr. Lary Emmott, held on Oct. 18 - 19 2016, in Riyadh. This event will be under the auspices of the Saudi Dental Society. And on 17 - 20 of Oct 2016, a crash course on “Advanced Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology” will be held for Orthodontics Saudi Board Residents by Associate Prof. Wafa Alfaleh.

In Egypt, a one day workshop entitled “How to Develop Confidence and Skills in CBCT Interpretation” will be carried out on 20 Oct 2016, in the 2nd International Dental Conference, Prof. Mona Abo-Elfotouh, Dr.Mustafa Ashmawy, Prof. Alexander Khairallah, Prof. Mary Farid and Prof. Iman Abdelaziz will contribute in the workshop.

Dr. Ebtihal Zain Alabdeen
IADMFR Middle East Director

1- Associate Professor Dr. Zainul Ahmad Rajion presenting at the Translational Craniofacial Conference, 9-11 Aug 2016, Penang, Malaysia

2- Dr. Ebtihal Zain Alabdeen presenting at the 15th ECDMFR 15-18 Jun 2016, Cardiff, UK
The American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (AAOMR) recently held its’ 67th Annual Session in Scottsdale, AZ (Pictures). A great time was had by all who attended!! For our international guests who attended, we know you enjoyed yourselves and for those of you who were not able to attend this year, we hope to see you at one of our future meetings.

One of the major events during our meeting was that our new officers assumed their duties: Dr. Jie Yang is our Immediate Past President, our new President is Dr. Sanjay Mallya, and our new incoming President is Dr. Debra Gander. Dr. Robert Cederberg remains our Executive Director, Gail Williamson, Associate Executive Director and Dr. Hui Lang, Treasurer. Councilors are Dr. Rumpa Ganguly, Councilor for Academy Affairs; Vijay Parashar, Councilor for Communications; Thomas Deahl, Councilor for Educational Affairs; and, Dr. Aruna Ramesh, Councilor for Public Policy and Scientific Affairs. Dr. James Geist is our new Editor of the Oral Radiology section of Oral Surgery, Oral Pathology, Oral Medicine and Oral Radiology, the official publication of the AAOMR.

The format of our meeting this year included a return to the basics by a main podium program of anatomic reviews and pathologic processes of the suprahyoid neck, temporal bone, skull base, cervical spine and paranasal sinuses. In addition, other areas of anatomy and pathology reviewed during the meeting included the TMJ region, maxillomandibular complexes and the airway. This year we also included a review of the use of CBCT in the specialty areas of Orthodontics, Endodontics and Implantology. On the final day of our meeting, we had two offerings: one was a review of the use of CBCT during clinical practice and the other was an 8 hour Basic Level I CBCT Training Course.

One of our most fascinating scientific lectures was a review of the use of Dental OCT in Japan given by Dr. Yasunori Sumi. This is a very fast-growing area of oral and maxillofacial imaging and one that has great interest due to the ability to visualize dental and oral structures without ionizing radiation.

Finally, Dr. Lurie gave us an update on the continuing work to review NCRP Report #165. Look forward to the new NCRP Report concerning Oral Radiology early in 2017!

It was a very busy and rewarding year for AAOMR. We have been very active in participating in several ADA events and meetings including the partnership for Dental Collaboration (January of 2016) and Dental specialty group meetings in February and August of 2016. These meetings aim in tightening the relationship with other dental specialties and networking.

AAOMR has also been active in the professional arena as well. We will publish an executive council statement on teleradiology soon. This position statement will address a very important issue for the profession. Moreover, AAOMR is sponsoring the first ever malpractice insurance plan designed exclusively for Maxillo-facial Radiologists.

Dr. Yang, our new IADMFR President, announced that plans are continuing within the AAOMR to prepare for the 2019 22nd IADMFR Annual Meeting to be held in Philadelphia. We in the AAOMR look forward to getting to know our international colleagues better and look forward to the increased collaboration and cooperation with all members of the Oral Radiology community that the meeting in Philadelphia will bring. We all look forward to seeing you then!

Respectfully submitted,
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Site Nominations for the
23rd ICDMFR in 2021

As Chairman of the Nominating Committee of the IADMFR, I wish to inform those members who are interested in hosting the 23rd International congress of Dentomaxillofacial Radiology in 2021 to start preparing their bids.

The bid should demonstrate significant local support (letters from local government, your institution, the profession locally, the convention bureau, etc.) and a suitable infrastructure and meeting plan.

Information should be supplied concerning the proposed venue, accommodation for delegates and transportation/access.

The bid will be scored based on the following criteria:

- **Proposed congress: 25 points**
  - Dates, reasons, location
  - Pre-congress course
  - Main congress and congress venue
  - Chairperson
  - Local organizing committee

- **Continent: 25 points**
  - Traditionally, it has been beneficial to rotate the congress among the various continents.

- **Supporters: 20 points**
  - Government
  - National Organizations
  - Employers

- **Logistics: 20 points**
  - Congress venue facilities
  - Hotel accommodation
  - Registration fees
  - Special and inclusive
  - Budget
  - Social events

- **Others: 10 points**
  - Accompanying persons
  - Restrictions
  - Access

- **Total = 100 points**

Six hard copies of the bid should be presented to me during the XXI ICDMFR, prior to the interview of the applicants with the Nominating Committee. The committee will review these applications and will report to the Board of Directors on the suitable venue.

An electronic copy should be forwarded to me by the deadline.

The final decision will be taken by the General Assembly of the Association in Kaohsiung, Chinese Taipei, on the 28th April 2017.

Anyone contemplating submission of a bid is more than welcome to contact me or the Secretary General for further information.

The deadline for bid is 15 January 2017.

Kind Regards,

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