

EFP News

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President's Note

Dear members of the EFP Societies,



The EFP year 2004 has been a year without the intense activity of a EuroPerio meeting. Rather we have been evaluating last year's EuroPerio 4 in Berlin, and not the least focused on

planning for the future.

In February 2005 the European Academy of Periodontology subcommittee is taking on a tremendously important task to conduct the 5th European Workshop on Periodontology on "Etiology and Pathogenesis leading to Preventive Concepts". The Proceedings will be published as a Supplement (4) to our *Journal of Clinical Periodontology* volume 32 in 2005. Needless to point out the immense value of the workshops for the strength of our Federation.

The organisation and planning for EuroPerio 5 in Madrid 2006 is well under way, as the Organising Committee is building on the collected expertise, experiences and feedback. We are confident the 3-year cycle for EuroPerio meetings is appropriate and suitable for these conferences. There is an increasing interest among member societies to host future meetings. For EuroPerio 6 in 2009 bids have been received from the British, Dutch, Hellenic, Swedish and Turkish society.

It has been an objective to the EFP to establish a parallel "arm", temporarily coined the E.E.I.G. (European Economic Interest Group), to act under full control of the EFP members as our tool to conduct business which relates to our industry partners and future EuroPerio meetings. The final approval

of the E.E.I.G. and selection of a suitable name and logo is placed on the agenda for the 2004 General Assembly.

The future of Periodontology as a recognized specialty is a great challenge in the EU. Both pre-doctoral and post-doctoral education are key issues, as are these subjects of great concern and focus elsewhere. In the US there is growing attention that the specialty of Periodontology must retain the position as providers of periodontal health, with the addition of key services of reconstructive surgery, implants and oral plastic surgery. Together we will attempt to seek strategies that will steer the future of Periodontology in the direction of providing optimal oral and periodontal health for the populations we serve.

Morten Klepp
President,
European Federation of
Periodontology

Editor's Note

Dear EFP members,

The EFP is a growing family, which is no longer in its infancy. Having started out as an amateur, our Federation can now boast a great deal of professionalism within its varied ranks. We believe that you will all be interested in the news from the General Assembly and the latest decisions made by the governing body. EFP News bulletin is an active tool in your hands, it is yours and you can use



it both for your information, as well as to promote interchange of opinions and thoughts between the individual members who

have an interest in Periodontology.

The strategic planning of the EFP should be of real concern to you. Feel free to express your ideas and get involved in this very crucial procedure, which aims to achieve the best possible improvements for the Federation. In doing so we can all make contributions to the decision making, and participate in the shaping of an integral and strong profile of the EFP in the future.

This is why we again encourage you to contribute your thoughts, comments and even criticisms to the Fellow Members Note Post. We remind you that this has been created to communicate your proposals and views. Make the most of this opportunity to "speak" to all the members (especially the General Assembly), voicing your personal thoughts, impressions and suggestions for improvement.

The EFP news not only aims at informing all the members but also the institutions and key personalities in the field of Periodontology, about the Federation and its active role in our field. This can also serve as an advertising tool to approach the public at a European level. By disseminating the news about the EFP to the dentists in your country, you will be publicising its important role in the speciality, research and education in Periodontology, as well as clinical practice and prevention.

This newsletter also tries to inform you all about the cornerstone meetings of the national societies, the EuroPerio meetings, and all other important related meetings.

Please remember to keep us advised of any events you feel should be included in the EPS News Calendar. This is a great way to let as many interested parties as possible know in advance about interesting events, so they can plan to attend.

We believe that the newsletter (as opposed to newspapers and magazines) will have to be considered a "sounding board" by all our members –the success of EFP News depends on the support and editorial contribution of our members– we want to publish your articles and letters to ensure that this becomes a veritable "family" publication working for your benefit.

Joanna Kamma
Editor of the EFP News

Executive Committee Meeting Aix-en-Provence 4-5 June, 2004

The latest Executive Committee meeting was hosted by the French Society of Periodontology on 4th and 5th June, 2004 in Aix-en-Provence. This unique city of art in southern France is world renowned for its fountains, picturesque streets and squares, and the famous Cours Mirabeau, a beautiful tree-lined avenue with large plane trees, overhanging the length of the avenue and wonderful terraced cafes and bookshops. In Aix the officers of the EFP and chairmen of the standing committees attended the meeting, which covered a very full agenda. Subsequent to submission of reports from the governing body and the committees, several issues were addressed and discussed, including: strategic planning and the future of the EFP, the formation of the European Economic Interest Group, candidatures for EuroPerio 6, research survey in Europe, research awards, the process of the transition period for the Journal of Clinical Periodontology, etc. The friendly and cooperative atmosphere led to a very fruitful outcome.

An Extraordinary General Assembly was held on Friday, at which the Financial Report for the period ending December, 2003 and the Budget for 2005, presented by the EFP Treasurer, Edwin Winkel, were approved.

The well organised social events included a splendid Gala Dinner at *la Bastide de Cours* in Cours Mirabeau, in which all members of the Executive Committee, as well as a large number of guests from the International Congress of Periodontology and Implantology (organised by the French Society of Periodontology) participated.

On Saturday, 5th June, the Executive Committee was privileged to accept an invitation from Pierre Baehni to visit *Château Lacoste*, a private estate and vineyard owned by his brother Jacques Baehni. This rare visit was a chance to experience the local colour, hospitality and tradition of the Provence, and to taste the exquisite wines of *Coteaux d'Aix-en-Provence*. The President of the EFP, Morten Klepp, expressed the Federation's gratitude to the French Society of Periodontology. He specifically thanked Pierre Lemaître for the organisation of all the local arrangements for this meeting, as well as the generous sponsorship of the EC Meeting by Oral-B Laboratories, Gillette International Sarl, excellently coordinated by Angela Fundak, their Professional Development Manager.



Michel Brex (Chair Nominating Committee), Mariano Sanz (Secretary General), Pierre Baehni (Secretary General-Elect), Maurizio Tonetti (JCP Editor), Jean Louis Giovannoli (Chair Congress Committee), Joanna Kamma (President-Elect), Joerg Meyle (Elected Member), Morten Klepp (President) from left to right

Journal of Clinical Periodontology



As elected new editor of the JCP, Maurizio Tonetti, presented the agreed transition process between Blackwell, and the EFP. The outgoing editor, Jan Lindhe will continue to take care of submissions until the end of August 2004. From the 1st of September all the submissions will go through the fully electronic, new editorial office in London, under the new editorship of Maurizio Tonetti. With regard to any backlog of paperwork, (currently estimated at 10 months), Maurizio Tonetti will attempt to effect a reduction to 3-4 months by publishing more papers. Blackwell have agreed to publish seven more articles per issue, without increasing the cost, for the year 2004.

Maurizio Tonetti thanked Jan Lindhe for his service to the JCP. During the transitional period, the responsibility will be shared by both editors, although most of the articles published in 2005 will have been accepted by Jan Lindhe. Maurizio Tonetti proposed a formal nomination of Jan Lindhe as *Editor Emeritus* of JCP as a sign of appreciation for his work. This proposal was fully supported by the EC and the nomination will be made at the Vienna General Assembly in December, 2004.

The editor change was announced in the July issue of the JCP. Maurizio Tonetti pointed out that since full access to articles on line was made available through Synergy-Blackwell the on-line access has increased from 4000 to 16000 (equivalent to one access per person), while the number of printed subscriptions has declined in the last year. He voiced his concern for this decline, as in his opinion, due to increased competition with scientific publications as well as the demands from readers to have clinically relevant information published, the JCP faces a threat of less support. He outlined some ideas to handle this competitive situation. By streamlining the process with electronic reviewing and editing, the publication time will be reduced. By promoting the print version of the Journal, the EFP member societies will encourage the existing periodontal research groups to work in a European context. The provision of Continuing Education credits should also promote readership and promote subscriptions for the print version. In closing, Maurizio Tonetti advised that any ideas to ensure the Journals appeal to both readers and authors would be very welcome.

Research Committee

The Research Committee has undertaken an EFP research survey in order to compile and present the research profiles of various European Research Centers to all EFP members. Over 40 abstracts have been gathered, thus creating the first database, shortly to be available on the EFP web site. The objective of this survey is to provide information necessary for the establishment of international competence networks that can qualify for European funding. At the same time, this will encourage international cooperation and promote the efficacy of Periodontal Research in Europe. National societies are invited to submit research abstracts from institutions and research centers of their country which will be updated every 6 months.

New Posts in Periodontology



Maurizio Tonetti has resigned from his position as Head of the Department of Periodontology at University College London and has been appointed Professor and Head of the Department of Periodontology at the University of Connecticut Health Center. He also maintains a Professorship at

University College London, at the University of Berne and at the University of North Carolina as well as his assignment as editor of the Journal of Clinical Periodontology."



Nikolaos Donos has been appointed Professor and Chair in Periodontology, Head of Periodontology Unit and Director of Post-graduate Specialty in Periodontics (M.Clin.Dent) Program at Eastman Dental Institute/ University College London.



Anton Sculean has been appointed Associate Professor and Head of the Department of Periodontology, Director of the EFP accredited Postgraduate MSc Program in Periodontology at the University Medical Center, Radboud University, Nijmegen, The Netherlands.

Fellow member note post

Dear colleagues members of the EFP, Doing a lot of European travel I was surprised to realize how few periodontists (and dentists in general) know about the EFP. Therefore, I would like to propose that all national representatives of the EFP write a report after each General Assembly and send it to their board as well as to all departments of periodontology of their country. This should be done rather quickly such as before Christmas this year since our General Assembly will take place in Vienna the 11th of December. On the other hand, the information concerning the EuroPerio meetings seems perfect.

Prof. Dr. Michel C. Breck

Postgraduate Education Committee

The Postgraduate Education Committee agreed on the need to encourage more Universities to seek for EFP accreditation. Development of a new graduate program model was also proposed, in order to accommodate the Bologna recommendations and to encourage student mobility schemes.

The organisation of a Symposium for all EFP graduate students every three years was also proposed. The first Symposium was scheduled for 30th September 1st October, 2005. The committee agreed to request the presence of an external examiner to report on the final 3rd year student examination and subsequently issue the EFP certificate.

Since 1998 the EFP Postgraduate Education Committee has accredited 9 Graduate Programs in Periodontology. The universities running the EFP accredited Graduate Programs, as well as the program directors are listed below:

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Amsterdam (NL) 1998	Ubele Van der Velden	U.vd.Velden@acta.nl
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Jönköping (SE) 2000	Helene Thorstensson	Helene.Thorstensson@tjkpg.se
Eastman(UK) 2000	Nikolaos Donos	n.donos@eastman.ucl.ac.uk
Leuven (BE) 2001	Daniel van Steenberghe	Daniel.vanSteenberghe@uz.kuleuven.ac.be
Madrid (ES) 2002	Mariano Sanz	marianosanz@odon.ucm.es
Jerusalem (IL) 2003	Aubrey Soskolne	sosko@cc.huji.ac.il

European Economic Interest Group

It was agreed that, in order to facilitate the funding and financial support of the EFP scientific activities, a European Economic Interest Group be formed.

The European Economic Interest Group will share the same objectives as the EFP (namely to promote periodontology in Europe and worldwide, using all legal means available to it, and more generally oral health).

More specifically, the EEIG will:

- Promote information on oral health to the European populations;
- Promote training and the practice of periodontology and oral health in Europe;

- Ensure a high-level of knowledge in these disciplines through the issuance of publications, the carrying out of scientific activities, or by any other available means.

The funding of the above-mentioned activities will be the main objective of the group.

- In this context the group will work in close collaboration with E.F.P (a non-profit organization) and with industrial and/or institutional related bodies active in the oral health domain.

The Groups activities remain of secondary importance to the

activities carried out by its different members and by the E.F.P. Requirements for Membership in the EEIG:

- Each member must already be a member society of EFP.
- Apart from full members of the EFP as above, Supporting members can be an industrial or institutional partner, active in the domain of oral health.
- Supporting membership will be on an annual basis (renewable by mutual consent.)
- Supporting members do not have the right to vote, but may attend the General Assembly, with exception to discussions relating to the admission of expulsion of members and/or supporting members.
- Supporting members will be considered as an advisory body, associated with the General Assembly discussions.
- A current supporting member may indicate his status as supporting member on his own brochures and Internet website.

The constitution and bye-laws for this Group will be presented and approved during the Vienna General Assembly in December, 2004.



Dear colleagues,

The organisation of EuroPerio 5 is running smoothly. These are the main highlights: The Europerio 5 web page is already operational. I invite you to visit it at <http://www.eurperio5.net>. Please put it on your favourites. There you will find all the relevant information on the congress, from hotel booking, registration, abstract



Centro de Convenciones IFEMA, Madrid

submission to the scientific program and what to do in Madrid. We shall update it regularly.

The framework of the scientific program is already built up.

The organising committee will present it for

approval to the EFP General Assembly in Vienna. The most attractive topics, the most relevant scientific advances and the best international speakers will participate in EuroPerio 5. The EuroPerio 5 ExpoPerio is also shaping up. Already nine companies have committed for Platinum sponsorship: *3i Implant Innovations, Astra Tech, Colgate, Nobel Biocare, Oral B, Pfizer, Straumann, Unilever and Zimmer* and five for Gold sponsorship. We have planned to occupy more than 15.000 square meters with an outstanding commercial exhibition, including continuous hands-on workshops and demonstrations of all relevant products and devices. In January 2005 you will receive the first promotional announcement, but please mark your agenda. You cannot miss this outstanding event: EuroPerio 5- 29, 30th June and 1st July 2006.

Mariano Sanz
 Chairman of EuroPerio 5

SUNSTAR

Invitation for Research Papers

on «Relationship between Periodontal Diseases and Systemic Conditions»

Sponsored by: Sunstar Foundation for Oral Health Promotion
 In collaboration with: Journal of Periodontology, Journal of Clinical Periodontology, Journal of Periodontal Research

Sunstar Foundation for Oral Health Promotion is happy to announce that we newly invite research papers on Relationship between Periodontal Diseases and Systemic Conditions under the collaboration of three periodontal journals in the hope of promoting further research on Body & Mouth

Theme: Relationship between Periodontal Diseases and Systemic Conditions

Eligibility: All researchers and clinicians

Application: Submit to one of the above-mentioned three journals

Deadline: December 31, 2005

Papers that were published after January 1, 2004 are acceptable.

Selection: Each journal will select 2 outstanding papers and forward them to the screening committee by February 28, 2006.

The screening committee will strictly evaluate the 6 papers that they have received from the journals, and select 1 best winning paper and 2 runners-up by April 30, 2006.

Winners: 3 Groups

Awards: \$10,000 for the winner, and \$5,000 for 2 runners-up & Honorary trophy.

Each winning paper will be published in the journal to which the applicant submitted.

Announcement of winners: All winners will be announced by the three journals concurrently in April 2006. They will be also mentioned on the homepages of Sunstar Foundation, Sunstar, Inc. and Sunstar Butler websites.

Award Ceremony: Award ceremony will be held at the Europerio 5 in June 2006 in Madrid.

One of representative from each group will be invited at the ceremony.

Criteria: The criteria that are to be applied for selection are based solely on academic viewpoints. Background information, such as gender, age, nationality, race, religion, and affiliations shall not affect the criteria.

Screening Committee: Isao Ishikawa (Chair), Robert Genco (Co-Chair), Jan Lindhe (Co-Chair), Jorgen Slots, William Giannobile, Tord Berglundh Maurizio Tonetti, Yoji Murayama.

Cosponsored by: Sunstar, Inc. and Sunstar Butler

Winners will be mentioned on the following homepages:
<http://www.sunstar-foundation.org>, <http://www.sunstar.com>,
<http://www.jbutler.com>

EuroPerio 5 - Further remarks

As stated in the above letter from Mariano Sanz, Chairman of EuroPerio 5, nine Platinum and five Gold sponsors have already been confirmed, out of a possible total sponsorship of ten per category. This indeed creates a very positive projection. Since the pavilion in IFEMA is huge (22,000 square meters), the ExpoPerio will be the main highlight of this meeting. This Expo will offer the Platinum and Gold sponsors the possibility to organise workshops, and demonstrate products and devices. Visitors will have access to all catering areas, the internet centre and all parts of the commercial exhibition. Daily tickets will be sold independently to Spanish dentists not wishing to attend the scientific program, but only to attend the ExpoPerio. The scientific program will follow the Berlin model, with parallel sessions, since the available rooms are not very large. The three main rooms will be combined into one large auditorium for the Opening and Closing sessions. The opening will be an attractive session on 50 years of Periodontology and the closing an interactive debate.



News from the national societies

Belgian Society of Periodontology

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Webmaster: Frédéric De Beule

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Honorary Secretary: Dr. Mark Ide
Honorary Treasurer: Prof. Peter Heasman
Honorary Editor: Dr. Philip Ower
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President: Prof. Dr. Andrea Mombelli
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EFP Representative: Fouzi CHRAIBI
Webmaster: Dr. Mohamed Chraibi

Norwegian Society of Periodontology

President: Bjorn Elling Gulsvik
Vice-president + EFP representative Kari Mette Andersen
Treasurer: Bjorn Frode Hansen
Secretary+Webmaster: Eirik Aasland Salvesen
Board member: Knut N Leknes

Annual Meeting



Over 600 participants attended the Annual Meeting of the Swiss Society of Periodontology on 2-4 September 2004. The meeting was held in Lausanne, home of the International Olympic Committee, just days after the end of the olympic games in Athens, and included a gala evening at the unique olympic museum, where this year's olympic torch had already arrived. The running title of this meeting was Periodontology today and tomorrow and the underlying theme was the notion that it is still possible, and indicated, to treat and save periodontally involved teeth - today and tomorrow. In today's euphoria about dental implants, periodontally diseased teeth may not be considered worthy of being treated any more by an increasing number of dentists, even periodontists, and may be in danger of being extracted to make space for implants. Even if we are very satisfied with the developments made in implantology in recent years, and are proud of the contribution of periodontology to this success story, the meeting showed clearly that it is time to reiterate the notion that periodontal disease is treatable and that it is still great to have natural teeth in the mouth. The speakers of the main program addressed the controversies around this topic. In the pre-course an update was given on the subject of peri-implant infections.

Andrea Mombelli
President SSP

Autumn Meeting



The Autumn Meeting of the British Society of Periodontology was held in London on 23-24 September 2004. The theme was non-surgical therapy, in particular the use of antimicrobials and the value of a full mouth instrumentation approach. William Wade first spoke on Advances in periodontal microbiology & clinical use of antimicrobials. He concluded by advising that antimicrobials should be used with care and that microbial diagnosis was unnecessary. Philip Preshaw then spoke on Full mouth disinfection. He outlined the advantages and disadvantages of full mouth disinfection, suggesting that it might be appropriate for some patients but not necessarily for all. In My Way various clinical topics were presented. John Coventry spoke on the use of enamel matrix proteins in regenerative therapy, showing some impressive cases and providing a number of useful tips in the use of this material. He was followed by some equally useful advice on how to achieve optimal plaque control, from Jean Suvan, and how to eliminate, prevent and treat root surface caries in periodontal patients from Martin Ursell. Graham Smith, a non-dentist, talked on smoking cessation by means of neuro-linguistic programming. Michael Zybutz presented the coverage of exposed root surfaces and Elaine Giedrys-Leeper the surgical crown-lengthening. It was a very full and satisfying day of CPD.

Philip Ower
BSP Newsletter Honorary Editor

Autumn Meeting



The Autumn meeting of the Hellenic Society of Periodontology was held in Athens on the 13th November 2004. The title of the meeting was Periodontal Regeneration An Update. This theme was taken up in a masterful presentation by a Professor Lars Heijl from Gothenburg, Sweden who enthralled the audience with his clear understanding. He discussed the complex process of the periodontal attachment regeneration which involves the (re)formation of 3 different tissues at different time points. This requires a series of sequential interactions between cells and signalling molecules. In spite of the complexity of the process, the evolution of new biology-based treatment strategies rather than continuing with the more traditional mechanical strategies holds promise to further expand both predictability and efficacy, giving the clinician tools to more completely regenerate periodontal tissues lost due to periodontitis. The seminar discussed and assessed (i) past and new treatment strategies for periodontal regeneration, (ii) provided an understanding of the biologic processes that occur during periodontal regeneration and their clinical applications, and (iii) discussed patient/site selection as well as developments in surgical techniques and how these may enhance our treatment outcome. This was an extremely successful meeting, attended by more than 200 participants.

Joanna Kamma
Secretary General HSP

Autumn Meeting



The Dutch Society of Periodontology held their main congress on 18th and 19th November, 2004 at the Queen Beatrix Theatre in Utrecht. The Congress Theme was Treatment Planning. Our Gold Sponsor, Braun Oral B, sponsored a pre-conference workshop on the new developments of electric toothbrushing. Fridus van der Weijden gave an outstanding presentation on the effectiveness, safety and damage of electric toothbrushing. From the company of Braun Oral B, Georg Driesen, illustrated the technology and developments of the new power toothbrushes. This workshop was specially organized for members of our society, 150 in total. In the main congress two speakers of famous reputation from Belgium Prof Dr. Jan de Boever presented the prosthetic treatment after periodontal treatment and the role of occlusion and articulation and Prof Dr. Hugo de Bruyn referred to the implant treatment in partially edentulous periodontal cases. Dr. Connie Drisko, Kansas City, USA, talked about enhanced non-surgical periodontal therapy and periodontal medicine. Dr. Edwin Winkel spoke about the latest research in the field of halitosis and the difference about oral caused and non-oral caused halitosis. Both last speakers did also the parallel session for oral hygienists and prophylaxis assistants with the subjects of infection control and halitosis treatment. It was a very successful meeting attended by 600 participants

Maren de Wit
Treasurer NVVP

Profile of National Societies



The main mission of the **Italian Society of Periodontology** is prevention and

diagnosis of diseases of the parodontal tissues and their functional and aesthetic rehabilitation, including through implant procedures. Founded in 1979, the society has approximately 1000 active and associate members. It is dedicated to contributing to scientific knowledge in Periodontology, Implantology and in related medical-biological disciplines. One of the most noticeable trends in health care in the last years has been therapy and treatment based on available scientific evidence and on a cost-to-benefit balance. *Do the right things*, therefore, but with a priority to give care supported by quality, methodological studies. *Do the right things*, however, is not enough, especially in Periodontology and Implantology, where the difference between success and failure is not only in the choice of the most appropriate protocol but also and very often, in ability; that is to say, to do it well, in the right way. *Do the right things* right is the theme of the SidP programme for 2004. The SidP offers the latest positions of influential scholars in scientific research side by side with constant attention to know how to do and to tools useful in developing and broadening clinical-practical competencies.

This objective will be pursued by using different tools: continuing education courses, practical residential courses to small groups, and education through the internet and the web which we feel can attract the attention of both the scientific and professional community. As an association, its scope is to promote study and scientific research in Periodontology and in related medical-biological fields. It must promote its position as a university discipline and within the National Health Service, and as well, it must work towards the establishment of adequate health education in order to bring awareness of parodontal health problems to the general public. The association is non-commercial and non-profit. In April of 1980, the Assembly of Founding Members of the SidP met and on this occasion also activated the members of the Italian Group for the Study of Parodontology, convened the Regulatory Commission for the Acceptance of Active Members, the Commission for Educational Activities, and for National and Press Relations. The President, President Elect and Vice President were elected.

In November of 1992, The European Federation of Periodontology (EFP) certified that the objectives and constitution of the SidP met the criteria of the EFP. During these years, the following members, renowned within the periodontal field, were President of the SidP: Giuseppe Ceria, Umberto Bar, Giorgio Vogel, Marcello

Calandriello, Marcello Cattabriga, Gianfranco Carnevale, Giovan Paolo Pini Prato, Massimo de Sanctis, Roberto Weinstein, Pier Paolo Cortellini, Giano Ricci

The educational programme of the Italian Society of Periodontology has always been given much attention. Every year a national or international congress has been organized in which, the most update themes in the field have been addressed. Numerous continuing education courses have also been held over the years. For each category the following requisite qualifications are necessary in order to become a member of the SidP:

Active Member: Are highly qualified specialists. To become an Active Member is necessary to pass through an examination by a specific Committee appointed by the Italian Society of Periodontology.

Ordinary Member: Those possessing an academic title legally recognised to practise in the Dentistry profession.

Affiliate Member: Students enrolled in the degree of Dentistry or related topics. Dental Hygienists possessing legally recognised certification in Italy.

Attending Members: Those who only participate in the annual Congress are considered Attending Members. In this category are included Graduates possessing university degrees legally recognised to practise in the Dentistry profession.

Life Member: Any Active member who, for reasons of health or age, ceases their professional activity and who has been a member of the S.I.d.P. for a period of 10 years. **Supporting Member:** Persons, either physical or lawfully congregated, who economically support the S.I.d.P. **Honorary Member:** Those who through their scientific contribution have provided great prestige or development in Periodontology.

Giovanni Braga

Head of the SidP Editorial Board



The **Dutch Society of Periodontology (NVvP)**

is founded on the May 16th, 1936 as: Dutch ARPA: Association pour les recherches sur les parodontopathies.

The Dutch Society of Periodontology aims mainly at dentists and dental hygienists. The NVvP is an active and professional

organisation of dental care workers with special interest in an important part of dentistry: the periodontology. The NVvP supports all her members in collecting current knowledge, treating patients and takes care of the interests of workers in specialised care by organizing congresses, publishing newsletters, publishing a column in Dutch Dentist Journal, developing treatment protocols, offering a group subscription on the Journal of Clinical Periodontology, developing and publishing patient information like leaflets and booklets. On national level the NVvP advises the Dutch Society on promotion of dentistry in matters concerning periodontology. The NVvP-membership gives expression to the interest in periodontology. At the moment almost 2500 dental care workers are united in the Dutch Society of Periodontology.

Within the Dutch Society of Periodontology all the dental care workers in periodontology meet each other. The NVvP is by far the largest scientific dental society in the Netherlands. Of the 8000 general practitioners 1400 are member, while of the 1800 dental hygienists 900 joined the society. All 70 periodontists in the Netherlands are member and practice within referral practices. Also dental students and students dental hygiene are encouraged to become member of the NVvP. The congresses of the NVvP are open to students and serve as a valuable increase of already obtained knowledge.

The board of the NVvP exists of a president, vice-president, general secretary, treasurer and two associate members. Within the society several committees and a section periodontists focus on specific issues. Besides the mentioned committees there is a Consilium that deals with the registration and certification of the periodontists and the quality of the periodontal care provided by the periodontists in the Netherlands. Periodontology is not (yet) a specialty recognized by the government.

The society has a company limited for all the commercial activities like congresses, courses, the development, publishing and circulation of leaflets and booklets.

Twice a year, in spring and autumn, the society organizes a congress. In springtime there is a small congress with a more scientific character and 250 participants. In November is the large congress with a general program, preconference workshops and a parallel congress the number of participants are about 700.

The foundation of the NVvP was established to financially support the education and the scientific research in the field of periodontology.

Every year the society grants an award sponsored by Oral-B, our gold sponsor, once every two years for research in the field of periodontology and the following year for a dental hygienist with distinctive qualities.

The society is sponsored by nine sponsors including three major sponsors, gold, silver and bronze. Very lucky is the society having a lot of enthusiastic and hardworking people like Dr. Edwin Winkel, he was a boardmember for many years and has set up the infrastructure of the society, nowadays he is the treasurer of the EFP.

Another memorable member is Prof. dr. Ubele van der Velden he was about 1990 the driving force behind the start of the EFP. He realized the accreditation of the Master of Science Schools in Periodontology in the EFP-countries and he formalized the accreditation of the exams of the Master of Science education programs.

Maren de Wit
Treasurer NVvP

Governmental Qualification for Specialist Program of the Japanese Society of Periodontology

The Japanese Society of Periodontology (JSP), established in 1957, is an academy aimed to promote research, education and clinical training. There are over 5000 members currently registered in JSP, as of November 2004. Academic meetings are held biannually in spring and autumn and four issues of the Journal of the Japanese Society of Periodontology are published every year. Clinical training sessions are also conducted during the meeting. Members of the JSP present their research findings at international conferences. At the time of revision of the social insurance policy, the JSP contributed actively to prepare

the guidelines for periodontal treatment. On 7th March 2003, the JSP was recognized as a Non Profitable Organization (NPO). The Specialist program of JSP was introduced to spread information regarding periodontal treatment and to improve the level of periodontal care. Until July 2003, 551 specialists, 135 guidance specialists and 54 training institutions have been certified by JSP. Eligibility to apply for the specialist qualification includes clinical experience and training in Periodontics for not less than 5 years or an equivalent experience,



membership in the JSP for a minimum of 5 years and over 50 credits from educational programs. The applicant should also pass the qualifying examination for specialists. The Japanese law had restricted the advertisement of specialists in public. From 1st April 2002, a change in the law allowed the names of the specialists, who were recognized by the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare, to be advertised. 36 medical specialties and 1 dental specialty (Oral surgeon) qualified at that time for the specialist program. On 5th

October 2004, specialists of the JSP (Periodontist) were also recognized by the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare in dentistry. Now, 37 specialist systems for medical field and 2 specialist systems for dentistry are recognized officially as specialists. Recent developments indicate the rising awareness of periodontal treatment in the society and the increasing demand for periodontists in Japan. The JSP continues to strive in order to improve the quality of dental treatment and to promote high quality periodontal treatment. Perio Societies Meetings and Conferences Calendar

The main mission of the Italian Society of Periodontology is to promote the oral health of Italian citizens through diagnosis, prevention and treatment of periodontal



diseases. One of the main activities of the Italian Society of Periodontology in the field of the Continuing Education, is the organisation of educational projects aimed at reaching the

Italian general practitioners and specialists with a clinically oriented message. SidP, in the last 4 years has organised a project on periodontal diagnosis (12.000 participants), and a project on implant therapy (diagnosis and indications, 10.000 participants). Actually SidP is running the so called **Progetto Terapia Causale**. The aim of this project is to provide the general dentists, the periodontists and the dental hygienists with of the state of the art of the available evidence in the area of cause related therapy. The scientific content of the course, as well as the power-point and video presentations, have been built up by a group of Active Members of the SidP, and subsequently emended and approved by the General Assembly of the Active Members.


The course is a 4 hours presentation, free of charge, accessible to any Italian dentist or hygienist, given by a group of trained speakers of the SidP. The project started at the beginning of 2004 and will last until the end of 2005, reaching more than 100 Italian cities, in the 2 years period of time.

The present project aims to contact more than 10.000 oral health care Italian workers.

The Project Leader
Dott Pierpaolo Cortellini

My EFP

This valuable tool of communication has been up and running for more than six months, and all members are encouraged to register on the site. We are proposing to upload various translated abstracts to the link websites of the national societies.

We would also draw your attention to fact that we shall very soon be posting On-line Journals by  which will be specially priced for all EFP members.



www.efp.net

1st Research Prize

Nikolaos Donos has been awarded the 1st Research Prize for the paper «Heterotopic bone formation by Emdogain and Bio-Oss» by *N. Donos, L. Kostopoulos, M. Tonetti, T. Karring, N. Lang*, that he presented in the Research Competition, which took place at the 13th Annual Scientific Meeting of European Association for Osseointegration EAIO, in Paris, 16th-18th September 2004.

Perio Societies Meetings and Conferences Calendar

18-19 February 2005



Continuing Education
Course of the Italian Society
of Periodontology

Title: Prevention, diagnosis and
treatment of implant prosthetic
complications

Venue: Hotel Boscolo Doro, Verona, Italy
Information: www.sidp.it



18 March 2005

Meeting of the Dutch
Society of Periodontology

Title: Scientific Spring Meeting

Venue: Congresscentre Jaarbeurs,
Utrecht, The Netherlands
Information: www.nvvp.org

6-8 April 2005



Joint meeting of the Israel
Periodontal Society & the Israeli
Society of Oral Rehabilitation

Title: 4th International Congress on
Perio-Prosthesis

Venue: The Hilton Hotel Congress Center,
Tel Aviv, Israel
Chairman: Dr. Carlos Nemkovsky
carlos@post.tau.ac.il
Information: www.congress.co.il,
marketing@congress.co.il

7-10 April 2005



Annual meeting of the Austrian
Society of Periodontology
Venue: St. Wolfgang, Austria
Information: www.oegp.at

9 April 2005



Meeting of the Hellenic Society
of Periodontology

Title: Current aspects of
periodontal surgery-
microsurgery Spring meeting

Venue: Athens- Democretus
amphitheater

Speakers: Dimitris Tatakis, Leonardo
Trombelli

Information: www.periodontology.gr,
helperio@ath.forthnet.gr

22-23 April 2005



Meeting of the German Society
of Periodontology

Title: Plastische PA-Chirurgie -
Neue Tendenzen

Information: www.dgparo.de

29-30 April 2005

European Conference on Periodontitis
and Systemic Diseases

Venue: Copenhagen, Denmark
Information: www.confcentral.com/perio/

5-7 May 2005



Meeting of the Spanish Society
of Periodontology

Title: XXXIX Annual Meeting
Venue: Palacio de Congresos
de Cataluña, Barcelona, Spain
Information: www.sepa.es

5-7 May 2005



XII International Annual
Meeting of the Italian
Society of Periodontology

Title: An evidence based perspective of
the periodontal treatment

Venue: Rimini - Palacongressi di Rimini
Information: www.sidp.it

12-14 May 2005

35th Meeting of the Turkish Society
of Periodontology

Venue: Istanbul, Turkey

19-20 May 2005



Meeting of the British Society
of Periodontology

Title: Perio-Restorative
Dilemmas

Venue: Savoy Place, London, UK

Information: bspadmin@btinternet.com

16-17 June 2005



Meeting of the French Society
of Periodontology

Venue: Bordeaux
Information: sfp@wanadoo.fr

5-6 August 2005

Biennial meeting of the Australian Society
of Periodontology

Venue: Cairns, North Queensland,
Australia

Speakers: Ira Lamster, Neil Meredith
Information: rianejames@bigpond.com

Periophernalia

9-12 March 2005

83rd General Session &
Exhibition of the IADR

Venue: Baltimore, Maryland, USA
Information: www.iadr.com

10-12 March 2005

Academy of Osseointegration
Annual Meeting

Title: Implant Esthetics: Form Meeting
Function

Venue: Walt Disney World Dolphin Hotel,
Orlando, Florida, USA
Information: www.osseo.org

6-9 April, 2005

Academy of Laser Dentistry
12th Annual Conference & Exhibition

Title: Lasers in Dentistry
Venue: New Orleans Marriott, New
Orleans, Louisiana, USA

Information:
memberservices@laserdentistry.org

May 12-14 2005

7th European Symposium on Saliva

Venue: Egmond aan Zee, The
Netherlands

Information: www.acta.nl/english/index.cfm

19- 21 May 2005

European Society for Oral Laser
Applications 3rd Annual Congress

Title: Laser: a Standard Therapy in
Dentistry

Limits - Complications- Solutions
In co-operation with SELO

Venue: World Trade Center, Barcelona,
Spain

Information: ww.esola.at

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