AAP and European Federation of Periodontology host a workshop on classification of periodontal and peri-implant diseases and conditions

By AAP Staff

In conjunction with the European Federation of Periodontology (EFP), the American Academy of Periodontology (AAP) hosted the World Workshop on the Classification of Periodontal and Peri-Implant Diseases and Conditions Nov. 9-11 at the Gleacher Center in Chicago. More than 100 international researchers, educators and clinicians gathered to review the latest literature and come to consensus on up-to-date guidelines for periodontal and peri-implant disease diagnosis and definition.

Participants conducted literature reviews, established case definitions and deliberated diagnostic considerations for the following topic areas: periodontal health and gingival diseases and conditions; periodontitis; developmental and acquired conditions and periodontal manifestations of systemic conditions; and peri-implant diseases and conditions. The inclusion of peri-implant diseases and conditions within periodontal disease classifications is a first, accommodating for what scientists and practitioners have come to understand about implant dentistry.

"Since the last World Workshop was held in 1999, periodontics has made notable advancements in the treatment and diagnosis of periodontal disease. The 2017 workshop intended to account for what we’ve learned in the last 18 years and help standardize the specialty’s definition of disease," says Dr. Steven R. Daniel, president of the AAP. "Our collaboration with the EFP and periodontists from all over the world will work to positively shape the quality of patient care globally."

The 2017 World Workshop is the second recent collaboration of the EFP and AAP. The groups’ joint workshop on periodontitis and systemic disease in 2012 was a major milestone in the specialty’s understanding of the peri-systemic link.

"After three years of preparation, it was rewarding to see many of the best and brightest in periodontics convene to accomplish the important task of updating and standardizing the definitions of periodontal and peri-implant diseases that will be used by dental professionals around the world. The contributions of the workshop’s expert participants will set the stage for periodontics’ expansive future," said Dr. Jack Caton, co-chair of the event’s organizing committee.

Proceedings from the 2017 World Workshop on Periodontal Disease Classification will be published in both the AAP’s Journal of Periodontology and the EFP’s Journal of Clinical Periodontology in 2018.

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‘Inspiring Imagination — Enhancing Health’:
Registration opens for AO 2018 Annual Meeting

By AO Staff

If you’re interested in learning the newest techniques, observing demonstrations of the latest technologies and interacting in discussions about the current issues affecting implant dentistry, the Academy of Osseointegration’s (AO) 2018 Annual Meeting is a must-attend event — and registration is now open (http://meetings.osseo.org/2018/).

For the first time in its history, the Academy of Osseointegration will be hosting its annual meeting in Los Angeles from Feb. 28 to March 3 to put the spotlight on all the customary components, as well as new and interactive features.

“The academy’s 33rd annual meeting will feature a thrilling new format aimed at maximizing audience engagement and many exciting educational and networking opportunities,” said Dr. Joseph Kan, 2018 annual meeting program chair.

The new formats AO will be introducing will include:
• Concurrent surgical and restorative sessions with a new point-counterpoint format.
• ”Lunch with the Masters” program.
• ”Reflection Panel” as part of the closing session.

All sessions will assemble the foremost authorities in research and clinical practice from around the world who are on the cutting edge of scientific discovery in implant dentistry.

In addition to these new format changes to promote significantly more dialogue between attendees and presenters, AO will also be bringing back popular meeting favorites, including corporate forums and “Morning with the Masters” sessions. AO’s annual meeting will also continue to feature many opportunities to network with dental colleagues across all specialties and career stages from all corners of the globe.

Continuing AO’s tradition of supporting research and innovation, the oral clinical and oral scientific research and clinical innovations presentations will take place on Friday. With more than 250 abstracts and e-posters submitted for the 2018 annual meeting, attendees can get a first-hand look at a wealth of original and groundbreaking research conducted by its international implant dentistry member community.

For an additional registration fee, scientific content of the annual meeting can also include a number of options for hands-on workshops, all of which will take place on Feb. 28.

On the social side, the 2018 President’s Reception will be one of the most festive social gatherings ever assembled by AO. To be held in Microsoft Plaza within the L.A. Live area, just a stone’s throw from our headquarters hotel, this event complimentary to registered attendees will provide an Oscar-themed evening filled with many surprises and an atmosphere of a miniature Times Square.

Registration fees for the annual meeting will include:
• Most scientific sessions (including TEAM Program and Laboratory Technician programs)
• Admission to the corporate forums and extensive exhibit hall
• Thursday’s Welcome Reception
• Friday’s President Reception
• Continental breakfasts
• Complimentary lunches in the exhibit hall
• Global networking opportunities

“This is also the perfect chance to bring your family to enjoy Disneyland, Universal Studios, visit the famous Rodeo Drive or attend a Lakers or Clippers game at the nearby STAPLES Center. With the heart of vibrant Los Angeles as the backdrop, AO looks forward to ‘Inspiring Imagination and Enhancing Health!’” Kan said.

Don’t delay in securing your attendance, making your hotel reservations or taking advantage of early bird rates. We recommend registering online, which is fast and easy. After Jan. 8, registration fees increase by $100. Don’t wait, register today at meetings.osseo.org/2018.