Multidisciplinary meeting with AAOMS, AAP and ACP will feature ‘new insights and better ideas’

By AO Staff

Registration is now open for the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Academy of Osseointegration (AO). The meeting is being held March 15-18 in Orlando, Fla., and will be a collaboration with the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (AAOMS), the American Academy of Periodontology (AAP) and the American College of Prosthodontists (ACP). This year’s meeting theme is “Good to Great: Making Excellence a Clinical Reality.”

Non-members can join AO now to take advantage of all of the benefits of membership, including a significant savings on registration fees. Register by Feb. 27 to take advantage of the advance registration discount.

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The regional focus in 2017 will be Latin America. Latin American speakers are included throughout the 2017 program to give meeting attendees a unique insight into the practice of implant dentistry in this region. Simultaneous translation in Spanish and Portuguese will be offered this year.

The opening session is going to address the meeting theme very closely, relating to what clinicians do now vs. 20 years ago. Dr. Jill Helms DDS, PhD, from Stanford University, will present “Beauty, Reconsidered.”

The meeting will also feature an innovative session on “The Business of Implant Dentistry.” Moderated by Bill Ryan, it will look at various practice delivery systems.

Dr. Ole Jensen will be moderating a session highlighting developments that have occurred since the AO Sinus Consensus Conference. This session will feature Alan Herford, Craig Misch, Paul Fugazzotto and Eric Dierks.

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About the Academy of Osseointegration

With 6,000 members in 70 countries around the world, the AO is recognized as a premier international association for professionals interested in implant dentistry. AO serves as a nexus where specialists and generalists can come together to evaluate emerging research, technology and techniques, share the best information, and coordinate optimal patient care using timely, evidence-based science and methods.

Sign up now for AO meeting

Orlando will be the site of the Academy of Osseointegration 2017 Annual Meeting. Photo/Provided by Visit Orlando, www.visitorlando.com

Industry loses implant pioneer

By Sierra Rendon, Implant Tribune

Dr. Carl Misch, co-founder

Mr. Carl Misch, co-founder of BioHorizons and founder of the Misch Institute, passed away on Jan. 3. Misch was a renowned American prosthodontist and was recognized internationally for his clinical and academic contributions to the field of implant dentistry.

Misch maintained a private practice restricted to implant surgery (bone grafting and implant placement) and related prosthetics for more than 30 years. He previously practiced in Beverly Hills, Mich. One of his colleagues, general dentist Gregori Kurtzman, tells this story of Misch:

“Years ago, I had to introduce him at an ICOI (International Congress of Oral Implantologists) meeting at the main podium. We had known each other for a number of years, and I called him to ask what he wanted to say in the intro,” Kurtzman recalled. “He tells me once he had 45 minutes to speak and the guy introducing him read his entire CV, which took 20 minutes, leaving Carl with only half the allotted time.

“So I get up at the podium and say, ‘Our next speaker is an unknown, but we figured we would give him a shot at speaking, so let me introduce Carl Misch.’ It did get some laughs.”

In 1973, Misch graduated magna cum laude from the University of Detroit Dental School. He received
his prosthodontic certificate, implantology certificate and master's degree from the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine. He received his PhD (honoris causa) from the University of Yeditepe in Istanbul, Turkey, and Carol Davila University of Medicine and Pharmacy in Bucharest, Romania.

Misch held 12 fellowships in dentistry, including the American College of Dentists, the International College of Dentists, the Royal Society of Medicine, the American Association of Hospital Dentistry and the Academy of Dentistry International.

Misch was a clinical professor in the department of periodontology and oral implantology and director of oral implantology (hon) in the Temple University School of Dentistry in Philadelphia. Misch served on the board of trustees at the University of Detroit Mercy, where he was also an adjunct professor in the department of prosthodontics.

He was adjunct professor at the University of Michigan, School of Dentistry in the department of periodontics/geriatrics and adjunct professor at the School of Engineering in the department of biomechanics, at the University of Alabama, Birmingham. He was the director of the oral implantology residency program at the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine from 1989 to 1996.

In 1999, he authored the text “Contemporary Implant Dentistry,” and Misch had written three subsequent editions of the book, which has been translated into nine languages, including Japanese, Spanish, Portuguese, Turkish, Italian and Korean.

He also authored “Dental Implant Prosthetics” (Elsevier). He had published more than 250 articles and has repeatedly lectured in every state in the United States, as well as in 47 countries.

In 1984, Misch founded the Misch International Implant Institute (MIII) in Beverly Hills, Calif., which served as a one-year continuum for implant education. The MIII currently has locations in Florida and Nevada. The program offers a primary implant education forum for six dental school specialty residencies. Programs are offered in both the surgical and prosthetic aspects of care.

Misch held 16 patents and was the co-inventor of the BioHorizons Maestro Implant System. He operated the Misch International Implant Institute, as a training center for dentists seeking to improve their skills in these techniques. To date, the institute has trained more than 4,500 dentists.

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Vulcan Custom Dental becomes a BioHorizons authorized milling center

By BioHorizons Staff

Vulcan Custom Dental (Vulcan), a custom prosthetic milling center, recently announced it has become a BioHorizons authorized milling center and now offers BioHorizons’ authentic custom prosthetics for single unit, multi-unit and full-arch solutions to oral health professionals.

As a BioHorizons authorized milling center, Vulcan’s customers can access cutting-edge digital dental solutions created from authentic BioHorizons components. “We knew that becoming an authorized milling center for BioHorizons required we meet the same standards as a medical device manufacturer,” said Mark Ferguson, general manager at Vulcan. “Registration with the FDA was a logical step and illustrates our commitment to providing high-quality, reliable restorations to labs and dentists.”

FDA registration requires the implementation of strict quality and regulatory procedures that ensure all products meet the extensive compliance standards required for medical devices. FDA registration also requires periodic regulatory audits to verify all procedures are being followed.

“Vulcan Custom Dental is unique to the industry,” said Todd Strong, COO of BioHorizons. “(Its) team of dental technicians, expert machinists and biomedical engineers possesses a highly diverse skill set that creates a product development environment we have not seen anywhere else.”

About Vulcan Custom Dental
Vulcan Custom Dental is an advanced custom prosthetic milling center with a primary focus on dental implant restorations. Vulcan’s team of dental technicians and biomedical engineers is highly unique and builds strong relationships with dental implant providers and state-of-the-art dental labs to help facilitate patient care. For more information, visit www.vulcan dental.com.

About BioHorizons
BioHorizons Implant Systems Inc., a Henry Schein company, is a leader in advanced dental implant technologies and tissue-regeneration products in the dental implant industry. The company, based in Birmingham, Ala., offers a broad spectrum of products for the replacement of missing teeth including dental implants, restorative and laboratory components, soft- and hard-tissue biologic products and surgical planning software. BioHorizons’ unique dental implant designs are recognized for intuitive design, excellent primary stability and high-quality, esthetic outcomes through the use of BioHorizons’ proprietary Laser-Lok® microchannel surface technology. The company has six international subsidiaries and more than 50 distributors around the world.

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