Pioneering implant dentist Dr. Leonard L. Linkow is known by many as the “father of American implant dentistry.” Here, he shares with Implant Tribune his experience and thoughts on the industry.

Tell us a little about yourself, including your educational background.

I was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., and attended Cunningham Junior High School, and more than 250 exhibitors/representatives, featured a variety of speakers and focused on new imaging technologies, new macro implant prosthodontic treatment planning concepts, new micro or localized soft and hard tissue esthetic concepts and case presentation concepts including stem cells for bone grafts, sinus augmentation and use of angled abutments.

Thursday’s session focused on “Management of Patients, Surgery and Bone” and included speakers like Dr. Ady Palti who spoke on “4-D Planning for Minimally Invasive Surgery” and Dr. John Ricci on “How Implant Surface Micro Textures Affect Hard and Soft Tissue Interfaces.”

The International Congress of Oral Implantologists held its Winter Symposium in early February at the Bellagio Hotel in Las Vegas. (Photo by Sierra Rendon)