The meeting also presented new studies revealing promising satisfaction figures among patients who received treatment with dental implants. “Osseointegration has been the major breakthrough in 20th century oral rehabilitation and brought together clinicians from different disciplines who otherwise may not have met,” said Dr. Daniel van Steenberghe of Belgium, scientific chairman of the symposium. “The purpose of this meeting is to enhance this cooperation for the sake of the patient.”

According to the latest industry figures, the worldwide market volume for dental implants was $700 million in 2008, making it the fastest growing business sector in dentistry. According to industry experts, this volume is expected to increase further due to lower delivery costs and better long-term clinical results.