AO announces its call for abstracts for annual meeting

As implant dentistry goes digital, so too will the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Academy of Osseointegration (AO), occurring March 12-14 in San Francisco. For the first time in the meeting’s 30-year history, the poster presentations of original research and clinical cases of interest in the field of implant dentistry will be displayed on flat-screen TV monitors in the Moscone Convention Center.

“AO’s Annual Meeting provides a forum for clinicians from around the world to learn about evidence-based science and cutting-edge research that will help to shape the future of implant dentistry,” said Dr. Mehrdad Favagahi, chair of AO’s Research Submission Committee. “We are excited to be able to present the research and innovations achieved by our members in this visually appealing and versatile electronic format in 2015.”

AO serves as a nexus where specialists and generalists can come together to evaluate emerging research, technology and techniques, share best practices, and coordinate optimal patient care using timely, evidence-based information. The AO is currently accepting abstract submissions for e-poster presentations in the following categories:

- Scientific research
- Clinical research
- Clinical innovations and case presentations
- Systematic reviews including meta-analysis
- Case studies

The AO is also accepting submissions for oral presentations in the following categories:

- Scientific research
- Clinical research
- Clinical innovations

To submit an abstract, AO members should log in to AO’s website, www.osseo.org, and click on the “2015 Annual Meeting Abstract Submission” button. Screen prompts will guide members through the process. All abstracts must be submitted online by 11:59 p.m. (CT) on Sept. 26. There will be a $50 fee for all abstract submissions. Additional information regarding the electronic submission process will be sent in November once the presenter’s abstract has been accepted.

AO’s Research Submissions Committee and the Clinical Innovations Committee will blindly review submitted abstracts for quality and appropriateness of content and presentation. Eight oral-clinical, eight oral-scientific and 20 clinical-innovation abstracts will be selected for presentation at the annual meeting.

During the event’s Annual Business Meeting on Saturday, March 14, cash awards and plaques will be presented for the best oral and poster presentations. The best oral-scientific research and best oral-clinical research presentations will be awarded $1,000, and the best clinical-innovations presenter will receive $500. The first-place e-poster will receive $500, second place $250, and the best case study will receive $500.

If members have questions about the oral or e-poster presentations, they should contact Kim Scroggs, AO Manager of Education, at kimoscroggs@osseo.org or at (847) 439-1919.

About the Academy of Osseointegration

With 6,000 members in 70 countries around the world, the Academy of Osseointegration 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 best practices, and coordinate optimal patient care using timely, evidence-based information. Follow AO on Facebook and Twitter.