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Editorials

Dear colleagues

In the assembly performed during the IIXX ICDMFR in Hiroshima, we were honoured with the responsibility of holding the XX ICDMFR in Santiago de Chile. We have already begun preparations for this, with enthusiasm and dedication, to bring the world and Latin America a congress that will show how our discipline has developed and the important role played by the IADMFR since its birth in 1968 in this same city,

headed by Prof. Gregorio Faivovich as its first president.

This is my last job as the editor of our newsletter and I would like to take this opportunity to thank my co-editor Dr Elisa Parraguez for her valuable co-operation in this task. In the same way I would like to thank the BIR journals' publication team, especially Ms Petra Abbam and Ms Claire Rawlinson, who did brilliant work as publishers.

A very special thank also to all the fellows, IADMFR officers and regional directors who, through their reports and photographs, have let us know their important activities.

Now, all roads lead us to the beautiful and well-known city of Bergen, in Norway, where in June 2013 we will enjoy the IXX ICDMFR, which our president Tore A Larheim and our vice-president Bjorn Bamse Mork-Knutsen and their team have prepared with wit, dedication and effort. I send them all my best wishes for a successful congress in all aspects: scientific, social and economical.

From a corner in Santiago, which tributes Bergen and Norway, I kindly salute you.

Dr Andres Briner

President elect of IADMFR Newsletter Editor



The Bergen Conference will take place in less than five months! We wish, and also are sure, that the congress will be a great success. From our part of the world we have, through the Chilean Oral Radiology Society, been encouraging Chilean and Latin American radiologists to join us in this great opportunity for the exchange of knowledge, experiences, technology and, even more important, friendship. It is not so easy for professionals from Latin American to participate, owing to geographical and cost issues. Nevertheless, we have transmitted all our enthusiasm so they get involved.

For us, this meeting will be special; we will look at it in a different way, as Bergen will provide guidelines for our oncoming conference in Santiago. We really want to absorb everything: ideas, details, and it will also be a template for our organization. In the meantime, we are progressing in different aspects related to the 2015 congress, because we know that time flies and, although it seems far in the future, the date will arrive sooner than expected.

Before saying goodbye I would not like to miss the chance to recognize the support of everyone involved in the organization of our newsletter, through which we can keep in touch with all the activities around the world. Special thanks go to our editor Andres Briner, who has simultaneously been chairing the organization of our 2015 congress.

We hope to see you soon in Bergen and afterwards in Santiago de Chile.

Dr Elisa Parraguez

Vice president designate of IADMFR



Call for nominations for the Board of Directors (2013–2015)

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the IADMFR, I wish to call for nominations for the Board of Directors for the period 2013–2015. The new Board will be on duty from the General Assembly at the IADMFR Congress in Bergen (Norway) in 2013 until the G.A. at the Congress in Santiago (Chile) in 2015.

There will be, in total, 12 Regional Directors.

- One Regional Director from: Africa, Middle East, Central America and Australasia.
- Two Regional Directors from: Asia, Europe, North America and South America.

The Regional Directors will be elected for a period of 2 years and can be reelected to a maximum term of 8 years.

Nominees will need to be proposed and seconded by two members of IADMFR in their region. Nominations, together with a brief CV of the nominee, should be sent by e-mail no later than 31 March 2013 to:

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There will be a ballot of members on a regional basis if there is an excess of nominations. This ballot will be conducted with a "Single Transferable Vote system". The Single Transferable Vote is a system of proportional representation that allows voters to vote for individual candidates in order of preference. Voters rank the candidates in order of preference; first preference votes are the first to be looked at, and the votes are then transferred if necessary from candidates who have either been comfortably elected or who have done so badly that they are eliminated from the election.

The new Regional Directors shall consult the membership in each country within their region, requesting the members in that country to appoint or elect a National Representative for that country. It is their task to promote IADMFR and seek to increase the membership of IADMFR in their own country.

Prof. Mohamed E Parker Secretary General, IADMFR



For the second time in its 45-year history, the International Congress of Dento-Maxillo-Facial Radiology will be arranged in Scandinavia.

With the theme "Bridging the Gap", we wish to bridge dentistry and medicine, clinic and radiology, and present and past in the field of maxillofacial radiology. The Organizing Committee cordially invites you to a congress that we expect to be a special event, both scientifically and socially, in the very intimate atmosphere of Bergen city.

Pre-congress day—Norway in a Nutshell

The optional pre-congress day, Sunday 23 June, is a whole day experience. To participate, you need to be in Bergen by Saturday 22 June. The day includes the famous "Norway in a Nutshell" trip. It starts early Sunday morning with a railroad journey to the high mountain station of Myrdal, with a change of trains to the famous "Flåmsbana", the Flåm Railway. This will be an incredible train journey down to Flåm station, which is nestled in the innermost corner of the Aurlandfjord. Each year, this exciting stretch of railway attracts people from all corners of the world, making the Flåm Railway one of Norway's major and most spectacular tourist attractions. You can get more information on the Visit Flåm website (http://www.visitflam.com/flam-railway/).

In Flåm, there will be lunch and a symposium: "The role of the maxillofacial radiologist in the future". An international panel chaired by Dr. Lennart Flygare, Sweden, will discuss this issue, hopefully with active participation from the audience.



After the symposium, the trip continues by boat on the Sognefjord to Gudvangen, by bus further on to Voss, and then by train back to Bergen in the evening.

Opening ceremony

The Opening Ceremony on Monday 24 June will offer a piece of Norwegian folk music and dance with much energy, before we bridge the gap between radiology and psychiatry in the opening lecture (Prof. Ingvard Wilhelmsen, Norway)!

Håkonshallen welcome reception

Bergen City will welcome the participants with a reception in the Håkon's Hall (Håkonshallen). The famous hall is 750 years old and was built by King Håkon Håkonsson as a royal residence and banqueting hall.

When his son Magnus Håkonsson Lagabøter married the Danish princess Ingeborg in 1261, 2000 guests were invited. "The King held court in the stone hall", say the sagas. At that time, Bergen was Norway's largest and most important town, and Håkon's Hall was the site of major national events, such as the drawing up of Norway's first complete set of laws. Inside the thick stone walls there are still echoes of the medieval court's solemn ceremonies and riotous feasts. As a national cultural monument, Håkon's Hall is still used both for royal dinners and for other official occasions. It is easy to see where the seat of His Majesty the King usually is.

Grieghallen Congress Centre

Grieghallen is the largest combined culture, congress and exhibition centre in Norway, and it possesses excellent facilities. It was designed by the Danish architect Knud Munk, and it was built in 1978. Grieghallen hosted the Eurovision Song Contest in 1986, and it is the home stage of the Bergen Philharmonic Orchestra, one of the oldest symphonic orchestras in the world. Grieghallen is also the venue for the annual Bergen Festival.

Both Håkonshallen and the Congress Centre are located within walking distance from each other and from all city hotels.

Bridging the gap

There will be an exciting interdisciplinary programme with keynote lectures—"At the edge of the maxillofacial: bridging the gap to neuroradiology" (Prof. Per-Lennart Westesson, USA); "Paranasal sinuses: what the maxillofacial radiologist needs to know" (Dr Heidi Eggesbø, Norway); and "Maxillofacial fractures: the role of imaging in diagnostics, treatment and patient outcome" (Dr Sigbjørn Løes, Norway). In addition, we will have symposia on temporomandibular joints (TMJs) and cone beam CT (CBCT).

In the TMJ symposium there will be keynote speakers on "The adolescent TMJ – Current paradigm shift in radiographic diagnostic criteria" (Prof. Annika Isberg, Sweden); "More on pathogenesis and treatment of TMJ osteoarthritis" (Prof. Dorrit Nitzan, Israel); "Open TMJ surgery: current status" (Prof. Anders Holmlund, Sweden); and "Common misconceptions in the diagnosis and treatment of TMDs" (Prof. Daniel M Laskin, USA). This will be followed by a panel debate.

The symposium focusing on CBCT will include the following topics—"CBCT: non-dental head and neck applications" (Prof. Jan Casselmann, Belgium); "CBCT in dentistry: what is the evidence base?" (Prof. Keith Horner, UK); "Image-guided dental implant surgery: pros and cons" (Prof. Christer Dahlin, Sweden). This, again, will be followed by a panel debate.

Social events

In addition to the reception at Håkonshallen, the social event programme is planned to include a dinner at the famous Fløien Folkerestaurant. The restaurant is situated at the top of Mount Fløyen, 320 meters above sea level. It is reached by the Fløien funicular, from which you have fantastic views of the city. The restaurant, opened in 1925, has been completely restored and is, with its distinctive architecture and prominent location, an attraction in itself. Before taking the funicular from the city centre, there will be a city walk in

the Bryggen area, which is on the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) World Heritage List.

The banquet on Wednesday 26 June will be arranged in a newly restored restaurant very close to the Fish Market at the Bryggen area, where a number of different languages can be heard at one time. The restaurant, "Bölgen and Moi", has a well-known chef de cuisine, and we will surely have an enjoyable meal.

The closing ceremony and farewell party will take place at Grieghallen, Thursday 27 June 2013.

Accompanying persons programme



The Organizing Committee. From left to right: Dr Linda Z Arvidsson, Chair Social Event Committee; Prof. Tore A Larheim, Chair Scientific Committee, President IADMFR; Dr Bjørn Bamse Mork-Knutsen, Chair Exhibition and Sponsorship Committee, Junior Vice President IADMFR.

The accompanying persons programme will include visits to the Bergen Aquarium, to Troldhaugen (home of the great composer Edward Grieg) and to Villa Lysøen (house of the world famous violinist Ole Bull).

Travel grants

The Organizing Committee of the 19th ICDMFR wanted to encourage dentomaxillofacial radiologists from low-income or lower/middle-income economies to attend the conference in Bergen by providing travel grants. This has been decided and we are pleased to know that some participants will now be able to come to Bergen because of these grants.

The IADMFR research award

The Editor of DMFR and his committee has decided the finalists to this competition and you may look forward to an interesting scientific session.

Abstract submission and registration

The abstract submission process has now finished. The online registration form makes it possible to register for the congress and social events and book a hotel room for the entire stay in Bergen. The organizers have ensured reservations of rooms in several hotels in different categories in the city centre in June.

Welcome to Bergen and an enjoyable congress!

The Organizing Committee

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Report from the President



Dear colleagues

When writing this, it is about 6 months to the 19th International Congress of Dento-Maxillo-Facial Radiology in Bergen, Norway, which will be held on 22–27 June 2013. The Organizing Committee is working hard with the preparations, and things are gradually coming together.

On Saturday 22 June we will have the Board Meeting, and the day after, Sunday 23 June, you may experience a spectacular Pre-Congress Day, including the famous "Norway in a Nutshell" trip (see report by the Organizing Committee). On the Pre-Congress Day we will focus on the role of the maxillofacial radiologist in the future. The Congress and the exhibition will take place in Grieghallen 24–27 June. Bergen is an intimate city with a small-town atmosphere and you may reach the

Congress Venue and the social events by foot from all city hotels.

Bergen city, founded in 1070, is an attraction in itself, and the old Hanseatic wharf (named Bryggen) is on the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) World Heritage List. In this area, the Mayor of Bergen is inviting us to a reception at Håkonshallen, the Royal Memorial Hall established in 1261. After the reception you are free to explore Bryggen and the famous Fish Market, where I am sure you will recognize your own language among visitors from all over the world.

The theme of the congress "Bridging the gap" will mean an exciting programme. We wish to bridge dentistry and medicine, and consequently have key-note lectures on neuroradiology, head and neck radiology and cone beam computed tomography (CBCT) in medicine. We also wish to bridge maxillofacial radiology and surgery with key-note lectures on temporomandibular joint (TMJ) surgery, dental implant surgery and traumatology. What we presently know about evidence-based CBCT for dental diagnosis is surely an important subject. As the previous Editor of DMFR, Sharon Brooks said in an IADMFR Newsletter: "We know that CBCT is accurate – now it is the time to find out in which situations it really makes a difference in diagnosis and patient outcome. Not easy studies to do but critical for our profession."

If you want to see other parts of Norway, Bergen is an excellent starting point. You may visit Norway's major tourist attraction, the Fjords, and the Norwegian coastal cruise line, the Hurtigruten, may bring you to areas above the Arctic Circle. In addition, you can easily reach Oslo, the capital of Norway, within one hour by air from Bergen, or by a 7-hour train trip through beautiful mountain scenery.

I really hope that many of you will come to Bergen, Norway the last week of June 2013. It is a wonderful time of the year in this part of the world with sunny, warm weather, long days and short nights. Do not plan to sleep too much! I am sure we will have a wonderful time together!

Welcome to Bergen!

Prof. Tore A LarheimPresident IADMFR

Report from the Secretary General



The 18th International Congress of Dento-Maxillo-Facial Radiology

Minutes of the General Assembly meeting, Saturday 28 May 2011, International Conference Centre, 1–5 Nakajima-cho, Naka-ku, Hiroshima.

- (1) Welcome and opening of the Meeting
 - (a) The meeting was called to order at 4:15 pm. The President, Prof. Tanimoto, opened the general assembly meeting and requested non-IADMFR members to leave the Auditorium.
 - (b) Prof. Tanimoto made an introductory remark and requested the Secretary General, Prof. Mohamed E Parker, to chair the general assembly meeting.
- (c) The Secretary General, Prof. Mohamed E Parker, introduced the members of the Executive Committee seated at the podium.
- (d) Prof. Parker congratulated Prof. Tanimoto and his organizing team for the excellent work thus far. He expressed gratitude to all members attending the 18th IADMFR.
- (2) Absentees and alternates
 - (a) The Secretary General, Prof. Mohamed E Parker, tendered the apologies of Prof. Tore A Larheim, the President elect, who could not travel due to a health reason. Vice President Designate, Dr Bjorn Bamse Mork-Knutsen, was present on his behalf. Other apologies announced were from Profs William C Scarfe, Reinhilde Jacobs, Christos Angelopoulos and Xuchen Ma, and Dr Annika Isberg regretted that she was unable to come owing to a recent injury.
- (3) Minutes of the General Assembly Meeting in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, 1 July 2009
 - (a) The Secretary General indicated that the minutes of the General Assembly held at the 17th Congress of the IADMFR in Amsterdam, the Netherlands on 1 July 2009 had been previously distributed (published in the Newsletter and available on the internet)—Proposed by Prof. Gerard Sanderink and seconded by Prof. Ralf Schulze as being read. There was no discussion.
 - (i) The motion "To accept the Minutes of the General Assembly, 1 July 2009 held in Amsterdam, the Netherlands" was accepted with one abstention.

(4) Report of the Secretary General

- (a) Prof. Parker presented his Report to the meeting and indicated that it had been previously distributed (available on the internet)—proposed by Prof. Gerard Sanderink and seconded by Prof. Ralf Schulze as being read.
- (b) Prof. Parker acknowledged that the affairs of the association were in good health. In order to promote the IADMFR, he had visited multiple countries and signed up new members during the past 2 years. He attended the XXI National Conference of the Indian Academy of Oral Medicine and Radiology in 2009 and the 12th European Congress of DMFR in Istanbul, Turkey in 2010. For the first time in the history of the IADMFR, a national conference was hosted in collaboration with the IADMFR, with the General Secretary officially opening the national conference.
- (c) Prof. Parker indicated that more than 95% of membership renewals were performed through the internet. The credit card payments were fully automated, which reduced the work load of the office. He re-echoed previous requests to all the members to renew their membership for a period of 3 years instead of a year, which would further reduce the Association's cost and administrative work for the secretariat.
- (d) Prof. Parker reported that the membership since 2007 had hovered around 600 members. Despite the fact that we attract around 50 to 60 new members annually, our growth in membership was small. It appeared that many of our existing members were not renewing their membership.
- (e) Prof. Parker indicated that the response to the call for the nominations for candidates for regional directors was poor, with the result that he had to have a second call for nominations. Most of the existing regional directors will continue for another term. He did not see any objection to the current directors continuing; however, the aim of the new procedures of appointing regional directors was to give individual countries the opportunity to appoint their own representatives. As this was not happening, we need to look at ways to remedy this in the future.
- (f) Prof. Parker expressed his gratitude to Prof. Gerard Sanderink (the webmaster) Ms Jorina Botha (the administrative coordinator) and Prof. Curly Nortjé for their assistances and ongoing support.
 - (ii) The motion "That the Report of the Secretary General be accepted." was accepted with one abstention.

(5) Report of the Treasurer/Finance Committee

(a) The Treasurer, Prof. Nortje, presented his report (2009–2011) and budget (2009–2011) accompanied by explanatory tables to the Assembly—proposed by Kevin O' Carroll and seconded by Allan Farman as being read.

- (b) Prof. Nortje indicated that transfer of accounts from the Amsterdam to Cape Town office had been successful. He presented the IADMFR financial statements from 1 June 2009 to 1 May 2011, and he provided comments regarding royalties paid, profit of the 17th Congress, interest accumulated and associated expenses.
- (c) Prof. Nortje reported that, financially, the Association was in good shape and that there was no need to increase membership dues for the next biennium.
- (d) Prof. Nortje informed the meeting that the current (1 May 2011) net worth of the Association was \$647 028 USD of which \$490 991 was in the Association's Trust Account in Amsterdam.
- (e) Dr Luc Habets inquired what the Association was going to do with the money since we had more than \$600000. The Secretary General, Prof. Parker, responded that the money would be used to upgrade the IADMFR website, work on guidelines and other possible initiatives.
 - (i) The motion "That Treasurer/Finance Committee Report be accepted" was accepted with one abstention.

(6) Past President's report

- (a) The Past President, Prof. van der Stelt, indicated that his report was distributed in the handout of the meeting and that it was available on the internet. Over 500 delegates attended pre-congress and the 17th ICDMFR in Amsterdam. The congress included 6 presentations by invited speakers, 102 oral presentations, and 172 poster presentations.
- ((b) Prof. Van der Stelt thanked his organizing and scientific committees for their hard work. The Secretary General, Prof. Parker, congratulated Prof. van der Stelt and Prof. Gerard Sanderink for the successful meeting and for the profit to the Organization.
- (c) The report was proposed by Ralf Schulze and seconded by Stuart White as being accepted as read.
 - (i) The motion "That Past President's report be accepted" was accepted with one abstention.

(7) President's report

(a) The President, Prof. Tanimoto, indicated that this congress faced some challenge after the earthquake and subsequent tsunami and nuclear accident in the eastern part of Japan. Many meetings in Japan were cancelled; however, the organizing committee of the 17th ICDMFR decided to continue hosting the meeting as planned, despite of the fear.

- (b) Prof. Tanimoto stated that some people did cancel their registrations; however, the 18th Congress of IADMFR still had 114 and 170 abstracts for oral and poster presentations, respectively. The congress received support from many exhibitors, including three platinum, two silver, and several bronze sponsors. The congress offered travel grants to many researchers in Asian countries.
- (c) The report was by Latitia Brockelbank and seconded by Kevin O'Carroll as being read.
 - (i) The motion "That the President's report be accepted" was accepted unanimously.

(8) Report of the President Elect

- (a) The President elect, Prof. Tore A Larheim, was ill, and Dr Bjorn Bamse Mork-Knutsen presented on his behalf. He indicated to the membership that the report had been previously distributed via the internet.
- (b) Dr Bjorn Bamse Mork-Knutsen stated that he and the Organizing Committee were looking forward to hosting the 19th Congress of the IADMFR in Bergen, Norway from 24 to 27 June 2013. The pre-congress course will be held on 23 June 2013, and the board meeting on 22 June 2013. The theme of the 19th ICDMFR will be "Bridging the Gap", aiming for a more interdisciplinary congress.
- (c) Dr Bjorn Bamse Mork-Knutsen informed the meeting that the logo of the 19th congress has been developed. He welcomed delegates from all over the world to the 19th ICDMFR in Bergen, a picturesque and intimate city, which has a place on the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) World Heritage List.
- (d) The report was proposed by Tsukasa Sano and seconded by Gerard Sanderink as being read.
 - (i) The motion "To accept the President Elect's Report" was accepted with one abstention.

(9) Report of the Newsletter Editor

- (a) On behalf of The Newsletter Editor, Prof. Tore A Larheim, Dr Bjorn Bamse Mork-Knutsen reported that four issues of newsletter were published. He indicated that the report had been distributed previously (over the internet).
- (b) Dr Bjorn Bamse Mork-Knutsen indicated that volume 36, number 1 was an electronic-only version, which linked to the IADMFR website. One of the main objectives of the newsletter was to promote the upcoming IADMFR congress, and so the logo of the Hiroshima 2011 congress was on the front cover in all four issues.

- (c) Allan Farman suggested that we should keep traditional advertisement capability of the newsletter. Prof. Parker stated that we would keep the function but probably use a different format.
- (d) The report was proposed by Malcolm Coombs and seconded by Kevin O' Carroll as being accepted as read.
 - (i) The motion "That the Newsletter Editor's report be accepted" was accepted with one abstention.

(10) Editor's Report

- (a) The Editor, Prof. Brooks, presented her report and mentioned that manuscript submission to the journal had increased. The impact factor of the journal continues to improve. She stated that she was stepping down as the editor and that the search committee has identified a capable new editor. She indicated that the detailed report had been distributed previously (available on the internet). Prof. Parker thanked Sharon for her excellent job as the editor of the association's professional journal over the past years.
- (b) The report was proposed by Malcolm Coombs and seconded by Allan Farman as being accepted as read.
 - (i) The motion "That the Editor's Report be accepted" was accepted with one abstention.

(11) Publisher's Report

- (a) The Secretary General called upon Ms Sherry Dixon, the representative from the Publisher, the British Institute of Radiology (BIR), to present her report and mentioned that it had been distributed previously (available on the internet)—Proposed by Ralf Schulze and seconded by Kevin O' Carroll as being accepted as read.
- (b) Ms Dixon mentioned that the BIR have published DMFR for the last 8 years, during which time submissions had increased and the journal's impact factor had also increased: 1.229 in 2009 up from 1.173 in 2008 and 0.889 in 2007. Ms Dixon summarized that BIR had been very pleased with their association with IADMFR.
- (c) Ms Dixon stated that notable recent developments included an increase in frequency from six to eight issues; thus the number of journal pages has grown by 33% from 384 to 512 pages per annum. The additional issues/pages can also be used to accommodate the publication of special themed issues or other content development initiatives. This growth was delivered at no additional cost to IADMFR member subscribers.

- (d) Ms Dixon also addressed the backlog of manuscripts awaiting publication after acceptance. She stated that a publish-ahead-of-print service would be implemented in 2011, at no additional cost to the IADMFR. This new section of DMFR online, tentatively titled DMFR Advance, will contain original research papers, review articles, systematic reviews, case reports, short communications and technical reports. These manuscripts will be published online approximately every two weeks, providing readers with quick access to this important research.
- (e) Prof. Liang protested the term used in Ms Dixon's report "Taiwan, Province of China". Prof. Farman suggested that we follow the existing rule and policy of the Association in dealing with China and Taiwan issues.
 - (i) The motion "That the Editor's report be accepted" was accepted with two abstentions.

(12) IADMFR Research Award

- (a) The Secretary General called upon the chair of this committee, Prof. Sharon Brooks, to address the Assembly.
- (b) Prof. Brooks indicated that changes were made for the research award committee because two of the original members could not attend the Congress and two had conflict of interests (they had their postgraduate students in the competition). The new members included Mel Mupparapu (representing North America), Andres Briner (South America), Kaan Orhan (Europe and Asia), and Mohamed E Parker (Africa). All committee members except the chair were new this year.
- (c) Prof. Brooks indicated that there were seven applicants for the Research Award and that five were accepted as finalists, all of whom presented their studies during the congress.
- (d) Prof. Brooks then announced the winners, who were congratulated by Prof. Parker and the Assembly by acclamation.
 - (i) 2nd prize—\$2500 was awarded to Dr Bart Vandenberghe for the research project entitled "The influence of exposure parameters on jaw bone model accuracy using CBCT and MDCT".
 - (ii) 1st prize—\$7500 was awarded to Dr Jigna V Raja for the research project entitled "Texture analysis of CT images in characterization of cancers involving buccal mucosa".

(13) Report of the Nominating Committee

(a) Prof. Parker called upon the chair of the nominating committee, Prof. van der Stelt, to present his report.

- (b) The Chairman, Prof. van der Stelt, first presented the slate of proposals for IADMFR officers and committee members for 2011–2013 (see Appendix A). Prof. Parker suggested a motion to accept this part of the report. Since no members were listed in the Research Committee, Prof. Farman suggested activating the committee by nominating new members. Dr Kivanc Kamburogu, Dr Kaan Orhaan and Dr Paremal C Mallik were nominated by members on the floor. All three candidates accepted their nominations to serve on the Committee—Proposed by Malcolm Coombs and seconded by Kevin O' Carroll as being accepted as read.
 - (i) The motion "To accept the new IADMFR officers and committee members" was accepted unanimously.
- (c) Prof. van der Stelt then presented the nomination for the new editor of DMFR. The search committee for the new editor included Profs Brooks, Jacobs and Scarfe. Two applications for the position were received. The committee interviewed both candidates, and the final decision was made to nominate Prof. Ralf Schulze as the new editor of DMFR. The search committee's decision had been approved by the Nomination Committee and the Board—Proposed by Malcolm Coombs and seconded by Kevin O'Carroll as being accepted as read.
 - (i) The motion "To accept Prof. Ralf Schulze as the new Editor of DMFR" was accepted with one abstention.
- (d) Prof. Ralf Schulze acknowledged the search committee and the members of IADMFR for their trust. He had been serving as an Associate Editor of DMFR and was confident to continue Prof. Brook's excellent work as the association's new Editor.
- (e) Prof. van der Stelt finally presented the nomination of the 20th ICDMFR in 2015. He acknowledged the other nomination committee members (Profs Jacobs, Yang and Costa). The Chairman indicated that his committee had received two complete bids for the 2015 conference: one from Prof. Li-Min Lin (Kaohsiung University, Chinese Taipei) and the other from Prof. Briner (Santiago, Chile) by 31 March 2011. The nomination committee used a list of criteria to make an objective comparison between the two candidates. The Committee interviewed both candidates. The final decision of the Committee was recommended to the Board.
- (f) Prof. van der Stelt reported that the objective selection criteria included 25 points for proposed congress (dates, reasons, location, pre-congress course, main congress and congress venue, chairman and local organizing committee), 25 points for continental rotation (The tradition has always been to promote the congress among the various continents), 20 points

- for support from national organizations and employers, 20 points for logistics (congress venue facilities, hotel accommodation, registration fees, budget proposal, social events) and 10 points for other considerations (accompanying persons, restrictions, and access).
- (g) Prof. van der Stelt indicated that, after carefully reviewing their documents and interviewing both candidates, the committee believed that both of them are capable to host the international congress. However, based on the above procedures and objective criteria, the committee nominated Chile for the 20th ICDMFR in 2015. The Board unanimously adopted the committee's recommendation.
- (h) Allan Farman proposed to reject the report. Prof. Parker requested reasons for the rejection. Prof. Farman stated that multiple times the congress had decided two venues at the same time. There were possible bias in the nomination committee; one member could be against Chinese Taipei and another from the same continent of Chile. He suggested amending the nomination and accepting Chile for 2015 and Chinese Taipei for 2017. Drs Lovelock, Sanderink, and Zhang voiced against the amendment since it could be unconstitutional. Prof. Farman stated, again, that there were previous records to decide two meetings at the same time. Because of the conflict of proposals, the Secretary General, Prof. Parker, requested a vote for the amendment—Proposed by Malcolm Coombs and seconded by Kevin O' Carroll as being accepted as read. Profs Stuart White and Lovelock helped to count votes.
 - (i) The motion "To accept amendment of the Board of Directors recommendation for the 20th Congress of the IADMFR in 2015" was accepted with 50 Yes, 40 No and 19 abstentions.
- (i) Prof. Farman further suggested a vote to accept Chile for 2015 and Chinese Taipei for 2017 congresses. Profs Zhang and Sanderink were against voting two congresses at the same time. They suggested voting one by one. Prof. Latitia Brockelbank questioned if we could vote two congresses together legally. Prof. van der Stelt stated we could—proposed by Kevin O' Carroll and seconded by Malcolm Coombs as being accepted as read. Profs Stuart White and Lovelock helped to count votes.
 - (i) VOTE: The motion "To accept the application of Prof. Briner of Santiago, Chile to host the 20th Congress of the IADMFR in 2015 and the application of Prof. Li-Min Lin of Kaohsiung University, Chinese Taipei to host the 21st Congress of the IADMFR in 2017" was accepted with 64 Yes, 27 No and 18 abstentions.
- (14) The Assembly congratulated Profs Briner and Lin by acclamation.

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- (15) The President, Prof. Tanimoto, announced winners of the poster sessions. The poster awards from the president of the 52nd JSOMR were awarded to Dr Kaan Orhan (100 000 JPY) and Dr Hiroaki Shimamoto (50 000 JPY).
- (16) The Secretary General, Prof. Parker, again thanked Prof. Tanimoto for the excellent work.
- (17) The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

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IADMFR Officers: 2011–2013

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	Karima Crombie	South Africa	2013	
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North America (2)				
	Christos Angelopoulos	USA	2013	
	Jie Yang	USA	2013	
Central America (1)				
	Jorg Arturo Beltran Silva	Peru	2013	
South America (2)				
	Claudio Costa	Brazil	2013	
	Andres Briner	Chile	2013	
Australasia (1)				
	Malcolm Coombs	Australia	2013	

IADMFR Committees 2011–2013

Nominating Committee—three board members and immediate Past President as chairman

Keiji Tanimoto (Chair) Jie Yang Reinhilde Jacobs Claudio Costa

Selection Committee IADMFR Research Award—chaired by Editor, with four others (Europe, Americas, Asia, rest of the World)

Ralf Schulze (Chair) Gang Li Ann Wenzel Andres Briner John Ludlow

Finance Committee—Treasurer, Secretary General, Regional Director

Curly Nortje (Chair) Mohamed E Parker Jie Yang Ralf Schulze

Constitution and Bylaws Committee—5 board members

Mohamed E Parker Andres Briner Silvina Friedlander Barenboim Malcolm Coombs William Scarfe

Trust Fund Committee—5 members, elect own Chairman and Secretary

Keiji Tanimoto Claudio Costa Gerard Sanderink Sharon Brooks Malcolm Coombs

Fellowship Committee (honorary or fellow members)

Stuart White Takura Wada Douglas Lovelock

Newsletter Committee

Andres Briner (President Elect) Dr Elisa Parraguez

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Dear colleagues, dear friends

If you look at the website, http://dmfr.birjournals. org/, you will get an impression of the new look DentoMaxilloFacial Radiology (DMFR) has from volume 42 on. You may argue this is only a facelift, yet indeed it represents a new look accompanying some very interesting novel internal modifications. Most importantly, DMFR has now been converted to the continuous publication model. This essentially means that, instead of using page numbers to cite an article within a volume, a unique article identifier will be used. The reason for this decision lies in the fact that the future of scientific publication is online publishing, while the paper-printed version looses significance.

Report from the Journal Editor



Don't worry, DMFR will continue to publish paper issues; however, the unique article identifier won't change any more after online publication of an article. Another big step forward is the new open access policy of our journal. Authors may opt for complete open access by paying an article processing charge. It is very important to note here that, of course, the author's ability to pay such a charge does not at all influence the decision made on receipt of a manuscript. To make that important fact very obvious, charges will not be levied until after an article is accepted. Of course, open access is only an option for authors. Apart from that general decision, all articles 12 months after their initial publication are now freely accessible over the website without charge.

Further minor modifications to the journal include: the 50 most cited and most viewed articles being, since 2012, indicated on the bottom right corner of the website when you access one of the subpages; and authors no longer being required to submit a "Publishing Agreement Form", but instead accepting the terms and conditions electronically during the submission process.

You see, many things have changed recently to sustain DMFR's competitiveness among other modern scientific journals. Many of these changes were initiated by Claire Rawlinson from the British Institute of Radiology (BIR) who did an excellent job over her term for DMFR. Unfortunately, she has now left the BIR, after accepting an outstanding position elsewhere.

Regardless of all these changes, statistics prove that DMFR remains in healthy condition. In 2012, we received an increase in submissions, even when compared with the record-breaking year 2011. Even more importantly, we received more submissions from adjacent fields in radiology. That means that DMFR is now more visible even outside the DMFR community and Dentistry.

I sincerely hope that these positive trends will continue in 2013. The next step will now be a restructuring of the Editorial Board, which has remained unchanged over many years and is no longer completely up-to-date.

With this I conclude my brief journal report and wish all of you a very happy and healthy New Year in 2013!

With best wishes

Dr Ralf Schulze Editor, DMFR

Report from Europe

On the last day of 2012, we can be happy to reflect on a year full of European challenges. To name a few, there were the SedentexCT guidelines becoming an official Euratom publication, the Leipzig meeting fitting our yearly DMFR appointment, the publication of the CBCT guidelines of the European Association for Osseointegration, fully inspired by the SedentexCT document, and the educational initiative of

the European Academy of DMFR (EADMFR), successfully coordinated by Jackie Brown in Copenhagen.... The world did not end on 21 December 2012, and thus we are anxiously waiting for our New Years' boost to continue along the same line in 2013.

Looking forward, we are now really longing to attend the 2013 IADMFR congress in the fascinating setting of a natural beauty, Bergen. We are convinced that the Norwegian team will undoubtedly offer us a true midsummer milestone. Yet, and prior to this, we should remember the symposium organized on 11 January 2013 for the official goodbye of Professor Paul van der Stelt, with renowned guest speakers Keith Horner, Hans—Göran Gröndahl and Stuart White. Dear Paul, thank you for your significant contributions to DMFR, both nationally and internationally, with a very personal thank you from myself for having your ACTA (Academisch Centrum Tandheelkunde Amsterdam) team close by, allowing us to collaborate from the very first day that I entered the DMFR world!

In March, we should plan a visit to Köln for the 35th International Dental Show, the biggest worldwide dental fair, to closely observe all new trends and evolutions in imaging (http://english.ids-cologne.de/en/ids/home/index.php).

Enjoy the cosy winter days. We are looking forward to meeting you in springtime!



Prof. Reinhilde JacobsEuropean Directors, Leuven and Aarhus

Prof. Ann Wenzel



Report from the Middle East



Dear members of the IADMFR

As our discipline evolves, new interesting challenges emerge, thus we as practitioners of dentomaxillofacial radiology (DMFR) are called upon to consult in various issues concerning this tremendous progression, specifically in digital imaging and cone beam CT (CBCT).

During the annual meeting of the Israeli Dental Association in October 2012, attended by 2000 dentists, two oral presentations on CBCT (basics and interpretation) were presented with great success. This was followed by enthusiasm from dentists all over Israel and requests for continuing CBCT interpreting seminars. Following these presentations, the Israel Periodontal and Osseointegration Society has included in its programme

an oral presentation on CBCT in February 2013 for their annual meeting; this presentation was an opportunity to advance and promote our area.

This year, the annual meeting of the Israeli Society of Oral Medicine (ISOM) will take place in June, two weeks before the ICDMFR in Bergen. This meeting is dedicated entirely to DMFR, and it is a pleasure to have invited two of our distinguished members, Prof. ME Parker and Dr Andres Briner, to attend and lecture. I am confident that their presentations will raise the interest of our fellow practitioners to participate in the annual 2013 ISOM meeting.

In the 2012 annual ISOM meeting I was elected to Chair ISOM, this position is an opportunity to enhance the area of DMFR in our region.

I wish all our members a very prosperous and peaceful year.

Dr Silvina Friedlander-Barenboim

Middle East Regional Director



A visit to the Wailing Wall Jerusalem with our invited speakers during the 2012 ISOM annual meeting.

Report from Japan



Two nationwide scientific meetings are organized by the Japanese Society for Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (JSOMR) every year: the 54th Annual Congress of JSOMR will be held at the Fukuoka Prefecture Momochi Palace, Fukuoka on 31 May to 2 June 2013; the 18th Annual Meeting of Diagnostic Imaging for Oral and Maxillofacial Lesions (Diagnostic Imaging Section of JSOMR) will be held at the Suido-bashi Campus in Tokyo on 30 October to 3 November 2013. We welcome you to the meetings and scientific sessions of both congresses.

The 17th Annual Meeting of Diagnostic Imaging for Oral and Maxillofacial Lesions (Diagnostic Imaging Section of JSOMR) was held in Osaka on 26 and 27 October 2012. The congress was chaired by Professor Kimishige Shimizutani of the Osaka Dental University, and there were 47 oral presentations in total.

The special lecture was "Quality and base for radiotherapy" by Teruki Teshima, Osaka University Professor emeritus. The seminar was "Diagnosis and role of IVR therapy on the haemangiomas and vascular malformations" by Keigo Osuga, Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine. The symposium was conducted by Akira Taguchi (Matsumoto Dental College), and the symposium titled "Imaging diagnosis for refractory osteomyelitis – searching the prior warning imaging" was presented by four specialists, Satoru Toyosawa (Osaka University; Pathology), Yoshikazu Suei (Hiroshima University; X-ray imaging), Yoshiko Ariji (Aichi Gakuin University; MR Imaging) and Makoto Tsuchimochi (Nippon Dental University at Niigata; Nuclear Medicine Imaging). Reports by the above, the conductor and four presenters will be published in Oral Radiology, our official journal, in the near future.

The 9th Asian Congress of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology was held in Xi'an, China on 14–16 September 2012 under the auspices of Professor Zuyan Zhang of Peking University. In total, 211 participants attended the congress, including 90 foreigners (31 from Indonesia, 25 from Korea, 24 from Japan and 10 from other countries) and 121 from China. There were 36 oral presentations and 68 poster presentations, and 6 special lectures were given also.

Prof. Jun-ichi Asaumi, DDS, DMSci IADMFR Regional Director, Asia



- Get-together by the board members of the Japanese Society for Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology in the 17th Annual Meeting of Diagnostic Imaging for Oral and Maxillofacial Lesions on October 25, 2012.
- Get-together the day before the 9th Asian Congress of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology, 13 September 2012. From left to right: Prof. Soon-Chul Choi, Seoul National University; Ms Kayoko Tanimoto; Prof. Keiji Tanimoto, Hiroshima University; Prof. Zuyan Zhang, President of the congress, Peking University; Prof. Jie Yang, Temple University; Prof. Junichi Asaumi, Okayama University; Gang Li, Peking University; from the local Organizing Committee.
- Sightseeing of lifelike images of soldiers and horses [Dr. Yoshinobu Yanagi (left) and me (right)] in Xi'an.

Report from South Korea

Greetings from South Korea!

The 44th General Assembly and Annual Scientific Meeting of Korean Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (KAOMFR) was held at the Samsung Cancer Research Institute Building of Seoul National University on 17 March 2012. Dr. Eui-Hwan Hwang was elected as President of KAOMFR and a

new Executive Council was organized. Dr Min-Suk Heo remained in office as editor-in-chief of the official journal of KAOMFR. In March 2011 the journal's name changed from "Korean Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology" (Korean and English journal) to "Imaging Science in Dentistry" (totally English journal). After changing the journal's name and language, the number of submitted manuscripts increased greatly. The journal is indexed by PubMed, PubMed Central, KoreaMed, Synapse, KoMCI, Google Scholar, and SCOPUS (http://www.isdent.org). At the Scientific Meeting, one educational and three special lectures and seven oral presentations were given. The special lectures were "Differential diagnosis of lesions in the oral and maxillofacial region" by Dr Kyung-Hoe Huh, "Transoral robotic surgery" by Dr Won-Jin Yi, and "Various huge intra-osseous lesions on oral and maxillofacial area" by Dr Yong-Suk Choi. The educational lecture was "The element of writing for public" by Prof. Hoon Shim.

Another important issue was the joint foundation of Korean Alliance for Radiation Safety and Culture in Medicine (KARSM) by seven major Korean professional academic organizations concerned with medical radiation protection, i.e. KAOMFR, Korean Society of Radiology, Korean Association for Radiation Protection, Korean Society of Medical Physics, Korean Society for Radiation Oncology, Korean Society of Radiological Science, and Korean Society of Nuclear Medicine on September 2011. The objective of this alliance is to improve health through the safe use of medical radiation with justification and optimization and publicize exact information about the benefits and risks of medical radiation. At the joint symposium in 2011, Dr Eun-Kyung Kim delivered a lecture titled "History and current status about the use of radiation in dentistry". And in 2012, Dr Sam-Sun Lee had a lecture titled "Radiographic examination and clinical imaging quality in dental clinic".

The 9th Asian Congress of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (ACOMFR) was held in Xi'an, China on 14-16 September 2012. Twenty-five people from Korea attended the ACOMFR, and two educational lectures, three oral presentations and thirteen poster presentations were given by the members of KAOMFR. We enjoyed the beautiful, ancient city, which is one of the Great Ancient Capitals of China and has witnessed than 3,100 years of history.

KAOMFR usually organizes two nationwide scientific meetings, one of which is held in Seoul in spring and the other in other city in fall. On 20 October 2012, the fall scientific meeting was held at Dankook University in Cheonan. Two special lectures and eight oral presentations were given. The special lectures were "Selection and order of CBCT in implant dentistry" by Dr Chang-Hyeon An, and "Review of radiographic selection criteria: the update is necessary" by Dr Byung-Do Lee.



Dr Eui-Hwan HwangPresident, Korean Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (KAOMFR)



Prof. Eun-Kyung Kim Immediate past President, KAOMFR



At the main gate of Huaging Hot Springs after attending the 9th ACOMFR held in Xi'an, China.

Report 1 from Latin America

This year in Latin America there has been a large academic and scientific movement in our specialty. For this alone it is worth recalling the 9th Latin America Congress of Dentomaxillofacial Radiology held in Lima, Peru. Furthermore, some of our Latin American brothers have shown institutional activity, giving rise to new scientific associations of our specialty.

On 8 November of this year, the Venezuelan Society of Dentomaxillofacial Radiology and Images (SVRID) was formed with great enthusiasm and an eagerness to contribute to the dissemination of rules and laws governing the exercise of this specialty, as well as disseminating advances in knowledge with the aim of improving performance in our field. The First Board of the SVRID consists of:

Dr Adalsa Hernandez, President

Dr Just Bonomie, Vice President Dr Maira Quevedo, Secretary General Dr Pier Domenico Bruno, Secretary to the Board Dr Juan Carlos Martinez, Treasurer Dr Francisco Penella, member

Looking further south on the American continent, Argentina has also been active, with the Argentine Association of Maxillofacial Diagnostic by Images (AADIMAX) being founded on 12 October this year in the Autonomous City of Ruenos Aires. Their clear objective is to enrich the academic quality and

of Buenos Aires. Their clear objective is to enrich the academic quality and professionalism in our country, and to promote and foster the intellectual and cultural links with similar societies abroad. The First Board of the AADIMAX consists of:

Dr Gonzalo Abdo, President

Dr John Luna, member

Dr Adriana Poletto, Vice President

Dr Valeria Szymanowski, Secretary General

Dr Susana Urzua, Secretary to the Board

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Dr Eduardo Pistacchia, member

Dr Laureano Heredia, commission of legal and ethical issues

Congratulations to these new scientific societies, which join with the Latin America Association of Dentomaxillofacial Radiology and Images (ALARID). There is no doubt that Latin America has become a new growth point of our specialty worldwide.

Prof. Jorge BeltranRegional Director IADMFR





- From left to right: Dr John Luna, Dr Pier Domenico Bruno, Dr Juan Carlos Martinez, Dr Adalsa Hernandez, Dr Just Bonomie, Dr Maira Quevedo, Dr Francisco Penella.
- From left to right: Dr Gabriela Bruno, Dr Laureano Heredia, Dr Gonzalo Abdo, Dr Susana Urzua, Dr Enrique Gimenez, Dr Beatriz Martinez, Dr Valeria Szymanowski, Dr Juan Carlos Remy, Dr Hugo Dagum, Dr Gabriel Santolino, Dr Eduardo Pistacchia, Dr Gerardo Garcia de la Cruz.

Report 2 from Latin America



The XVIII JABRO (Jornada da Associação Brasileira de Radiologia Odontológica), the annual meeting of the Brazilian Association of Oral Radiology, was held at the Mabu Thermas & Resort in Foz do Iguaçu, Paraná from 24 to 27 October 2012. The central theme of the meeting was "OMFR Evolution with Responsibility", and it was chaired by Prof. Fernando Henrique Westphalen. In total, more than 800 individuals attended the meeting, including staff, sponsors, visitors and guests.

The scientific activities involved 24 invited professors from 8 countries: Belgium, Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, England, Germany and Peru. There were also 93 digital poster presentations that added to the scientific value of the event.

A special session, "New Talents", received 12 young researchers from Brazilian graduate programmes (master and doctorate degrees) in oral maxillofacial radiology (OMFR), and this was considered the highlight of the scientific part of the meeting.

The social activities were awesome, in particular the amazing JABRO Whisky Rock, providing moments of great harmonization between members of ABRO.

The sponsor fair focus was cone beam CT, and this included the main manufacturers from around the world. The event reached its objective: to stimulate the scientific and technological development of oral and maxillofacial radiology in Brazil.



Prof. Claudio Costa Regional Director to Latin America



Prof. Fernando Henrique WestphalenPresident of the Brazilian
Association of Oral Radiology





- Rejane Ribeiro Rotta (Brazil), Maria Eugenia (Peru), Vania Fontanella (Brazil), Xin Liang (China) and Rose Ngu (England).
- 2 Scientific committee.
- 3 Profs Rose Ngu (England) and Fernando Westphalen (President of JABRO) during the Meeting.
- Colleagues visiting ITAIPU, the world's largest hydroelectric power plant that belongs to Brazil and Paraguay.
- Ivo Lambrichts (Belgium), Rose Ngu (England), Paulo Souza (Brazil) and Xin Liang (China).
- **⊙** Claudio Costa (Brazil) and colleagues playing darts during the party.

Report from North America



The 63rd American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (AAOMR) annual session was successfully held in Savannah, Georgia on 14–17 November 2012. Savannah is a very beautiful and historic city in the South of the United States. The congress venue was located in the heart of historic Savannah and bordered the Victorian District, which was listed in the National Register of Historic places.

Drs Juan Yepes and Robert Cederberg did an excellent job in preparing for the congress, which attracted many oral and maxillofacial radiologists from the United States and Canada, as well as the rest of the World. Guest speakers included two prominent head and neck neuroradiologists. Dr Laurie Loevner, from the University of Pennsylvania, addressed diagnostic imaging on bisphosphonates. Dr Douglass Fellows, the chair

of diagnostic imaging and therapeutics at Connecticut, presented a lecture entitled "The skull base: common ground to oral and maxillofacial and medical radiologists". Basic users' cone-beam CT (CBCT) courses were presented by Drs Marcel Noujeim, Christos Angelopoulos, Sharon Brooks, Jeff Price, Maria Mora, and Dale Miles.

Keynote speakers included Dr Michael Pharoah from the University of Toronto. He presented a lecture on "Disease mechanisms applied to diagnostic radiology". Also, Dr John Ludlow, from the University of North Carolina, gave a presentation on "Radiation dose in perspective: doses and risk from dental diagnostic imaging", and Dr Erika Benavides, from the University of Michigan, gave her presentation on "Integrating the present as we look into the future". This year's H Cline Fixott Oration was given by Dr Brad Potter from the University of Colorado, and it was entitled "Pathways". Other keynote speakers included Dr David Hatcher on "TMJ abnormalities occurring in growing and adolescent individuals", Dr Ted Parks on "Forensic Dentistry from the radiologist's perspective", and Dr Vijay Parashar on "The effects of age on radiation resistance and oxidative stress in adult drosophila melanogaster". In addition, four scientific sessions (three oral and one poster) were held during the congress. More than 40 scientific papers were presented in these sessions. As usual, Dr Juan Yepes led, and many oral and maxillofacial radiology residents participated in, a popular clinical radiology conference session, with unusual cases of plasmacytoma, cavernous haemangioma, and collapsed radicular cyst. Social events were superb, and we all enjoyed historic sightseeing and excellent restaurants.

After the congress, the new Executive Council in the AAOMR was introduced, consisting of Dr Alan Lurie (President), Dr Allan Farman (Immediate Past President), Dr Robert Cederberg (President Elect), Dr Christos Angelopoulos



- River Street of the City of Savannah.
- 2 Dr Stuart White (left), Mrs. White (middle), and Dr Sanjay Mallya (right).
- **3** Dr David Hatcher (left) and Dr Axel Ruprecht (right).
- Dr Alan Lurie (far left) with 2012 AAOMR Award recipients.
- From the left to right, Drs Apirum Janhom, Lisa Koenig, Christos Angelopoulos, Gail Williamson, Jie Yang.

(Executive Director), Prof. Gail Williamson (Associate Executive Director), Dr Charles Hildebolt (Treasurer), Dr Dan Colosi (Councilor for Academy Affairs), Dr Erika Benavides (Councilor for Communications), Dr Ernest Lam (Councilor for Public Policy and Scientific Affairs) and Dr Jie Yang (Councilor for Educational Affairs). Dr William Scarfe continues to serve as Editor of the Oral Radiology section of Oral Surgery Oral Pathology Oral Medicine Oral Radiology (OOOO), the official publication of the American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (AAOMR). Dr Dania Tamimi serves as the Newsletter editor of the AAOMR

Dr Allan Lurie, the President of the AAOMR attended the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) public comment session in Silver Spring, Maryland last year. On behalf of the AAOMR, Dr Lurie delivered a presentation regarding reducing dose to children. The main points included: (1) re-invigorate the use of rectangular collimation; (2) mandatory thyroid collars for intraoral imaging and, where possible, for extraoral imaging; (3) elimination of D-speed film; (4) acquisition parameters specifically for children on all CBCT equipment; and (5) increased emphasis on paediatric imaging in education and in the continuing professional education of dentists.

Other progresses in North America included that AAOMR has published two position papers recently, one on "Use of CBCT in Endodontics" and another on "Selection criteria on the use of radiology in dental implantology with specific reference to cone beam computed tomographic imaging". Another position paper regarding the use of CBCT in Orthodontics will soon be published in Oral Surgery Oral Pathology Oral Medicine Oral Radiology (OOOO).

The 64th AAOMR Annual Session will meet at the famous Beverly Hilton Hotel in Beverly Hills, California, USA on 1–5 October 2013. The detailed programme and registration information will soon be posted on the AAOMR website (www. aaomr.org). We hope many of you will attend and enjoy the AAOMR Annual Meeting in the famous cities of Hollywood and Los Angeles, California.

Respectfully Submitted

Dr Jie Yang

IADMFR North American Director

Forthcoming Meetings

31 May-2 June 2013

The 54th Annual Congress of Japanese Society for Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology

Venue: Fukuoka Prefecture Momochi

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22-27 June 2013

19th International Congress of the IADMFR: Bridging the gap

Location: Bergen, Norway www.iadmfr2013.org

Fall 2013

64th Annual Session, American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology

Location: Orlando, FL, USA

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1-3 November 2013

18th Annual Meeting of Diagnostic Imaging for Oral and Maxillofacial

Lesions (Diagnostic Imaging Section of JSOMR) and Training and Development

Venue: Tokyo Dental College Chiwaki

Hall, Tokyo, Japan

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25-28 June 2014

14th European Congress of Dentomaxillofacial Radiology of the European Academy of DMFR

Location: Cluj-Napoca, Romania

www.eadmfr.eu

Fall 2014

65th Annual Session, American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology

Location: New York City, NY, USA

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