



## **IADR Periodontal Research Group Annual Business Meeting Minutes 2017-2018**

ExCel London Convention Center,  
South Gallery 27/28, Level 2, Royal  
Victoria Dock, London, UK, July  
26th, 2018, 5-6pm.

### **1. Welcome and Opening Remarks (Magda Feres)**

The President, Prof. Magda Feres, welcomed the members and thanked the PRG Officers for all the work done during the last 16 months.

### **2. Announcement of PRG Officers for the last year and the forthcoming year (Magda Feres)**

#### ***The Office Bearers for 2017/2018 were:***

President:	Magda Feres, Sao Paulo, Brazil
President Elect:	Hatice Hasturk, Boston, USA
Vice President:	Nagihan Bostanci, Stockholm, Sweden
Vice-President-Elect:	David Herrera, Madrid, Spain
Treasurer:	Alpdogan Kantarci, Boston, USA
Councilor (IADR)	Andreas Stavropoulos, Malmö, Sweden
Councilor (AADR)	Alpdogan Kantarci, Boston, USA
Group Program Chair:	Philip Preshaw, Newcastle, UK
Immediate Past President:	Axel Spahr, Sydney, Australia
Corporate Liaison:	Jack Spitznagel, Baltimore, USA

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President:	Hatice Hasturk, Boston, USA
President Elect:	Nagihan Bostanci, Stockholm, Sweden
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Vice-President Elect:	TBD
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Election for the position of Vice President Elect in 2018-2019 –Candidates are

submitted to the Research group directly or to the IADR headquarters. The group contacts the candidates to confirm participation and obtains all biographical information needed. Candidates should be a member of the PRG.

### **3. Presidents' report (Magda Feres)**

After introducing the current PRG officers who served during 2017-2018 and contributed to the 2018 IADR/AADR general sessions in London representing PRG, Prof. Feres presented the newly launched PRG Newsletter (edition 01/July 2018) to engage the PRG members in Board decisions as promised by her speech in San Francisco PRG Business meeting. The hard copies of the newsletter were distributed to the attending members during the meeting. Prof. Feres also announced that PRG is currently following the recent change in IADR bylaws for the Vice-president election process. She then introduced the upcoming presidents in 2018-2019 as Dr. Hasturk, 2019-2020 as Dr. Bostanci and 2020-2021 as Dr. Herrera, representing North America and Europe in rotations. Dr. Feres later also highlighted the importance of the rotation system that PRG adopted to represent their extended international membership. In 2019 Vice president elections, two candidates from Asia/Pacific were nominated and will be voted by the members. The winner will be announced at the 2019 IADR/AADR/CADR General Sessions in Vancouver. Dr. Feres recapitulated the importance of the rotation once again and announced that nominees from South America, as the next rotation continent, are solicited for the 2020 Vice-President position.

Following these announcements, Dr. Feres recognized and welcomed all new abstract reviewers in Periodontal Research Diagnosis/Epidemiology, Pathogenesis and Therapy subsections. Dr. Feres continued "We were glad that over 50 members were eager to collaborate with the group by reviewing the AADR and IADR abstracts. As we only had 8 openings, the Board voted to choose the new collaborators. The Board has kept all the other participants' names on a database for future openings".

Dr. Feres continued with the news about the Post-Business Meeting Survey. "After the PRG Business Meeting at the 2017 IADR/AADR/CADR General Session in San Francisco, the PRG conducted a survey with the purpose of improving our processes and planning for future meetings. 118 PRG members answered the questionnaire and left their suggestions. Thank you very much for your participation!!", She also highlighted the main question of the Post-Business Meeting Survey "Are you aware of all the awards held by the PRG?" which showed that almost 40% of members were not familiar with all the awards and about 20% did not know about the awards at all. "So, we've added more information about these opportunities on this Newsletter and to the website. Please, access them and help us to publicize our Awards!"

Next, Prof. Magda Feres listed the PRG managed fellowships and awards and the contact person for each award with the other two award that are given to the PRG members by managed by the AADR (anne Haffajee Fellowship) and IADR (Distinguished Scientist Award-Periodontal Disease Award).

She then invited Dr. Flavia Teles to present the 2017 AADR Anne D. Haffajee Fellowship. Dr. Teles told the members that this fellowship founded in recognition of Dr. Haffajee's many contributions to clinical research in periodontology and oral biology and her prominence as a female leader in the field. Established by Dr. Flavia Teles and sponsored by Dr. Charles Haffajee, donors and AADR matching program. The fellowship aims to support young woman researchers in the field of periodontology, microbiology and clinical research. Prof. Flavia Teles presented the first award, 2018 AADR Anne D. Haffajee Fellowship, to Kyounga Cheon from University of Alabama at Birmingham, USA.

Prof. Feres announced IADR Distinguished Scientist Award for Basic Research in Periodontal Disease (supported by Colgate-Palmolive Co) that was conferred to Prof. Iain Chapple, Birmingham University, Birmingham, UK during the opening ceremony of the 2018 IADR general sessions. Prof. Iain Chapple will give the keynote address lecture during IADR 2019 in Vancouver, Canada.

The Next award was presented by Dr. Papapanou, the committee chair of the award, was the Past President's Travel Award sponsored by Colgate. This year travel award recipient was Dr. Flora Momen-Heravi from Columbia University, USA for her research entitled "RNA-sequencing Reveals Pathway Dynamics and Molecular Perturbations in Periodontal Disease" and presented by Dr. Papapanou and Dr. Maria Ryan, Chief Dental Officer, Colgate Palmolive Company.

Dr. Feres concluded her report with a potential collaboration with Cochrane Oral Health for contribution to prioritization of topics, cooperation with Global Alliance and access to the home page and direct link to the web page of the Cochrane Oral Health. This is still in discussion and the members will be notified if any information becomes available.

#### **4. Vice-President Report (Nagihan Bostanci)**

The Vice-President (Prof. Bostanci) presented the following summary report:

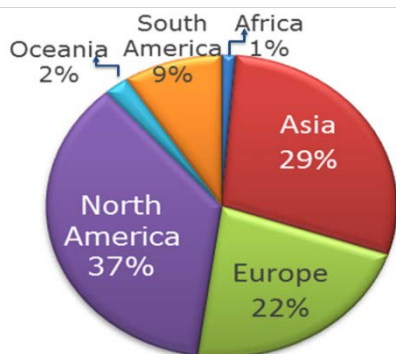
- ***PRG membership data (Table 1)***

The total member number increased about 11% with a number of 122 new members since last year and more than half of this number was in the student member category. This was a result of the activities and hard work by the PRG board and PRG members to recruit new members especially in student category to carry the mission forward to next generations. Prof. Bostanci highlighted "Engaging student research and young scientists is an important goal for both of the scientific groups, Thus, we thank you all for your continued support."

**Table 1. PRG membership data\***

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018*
Life Members**	13	11	9	5	3	3	<b>65</b>
Full Members	525	446	449	739	827	754	<b>756</b>
Student Members	551	356	331	431	526	396	<b>454</b>
Total	1089	813	789	1175	1356	1153	<b>1275</b>

\*Data as of July 10, 2018, \*\*Includes retired, life and complimentary members



**Figure 1. Percentage of Members Distributed by Continent.** Total number of members 2017: 1153 (increase of 122 members from 2017 to 2018). From 2017 to 2018. Distribution is more even: Increase of 6 pp in Europe (16% to 22%). Increase of 4 pp in South America (5% to 9%). North America and Oceania remained stable

- **Educational events organized by the PRG**

This year, another successful Lunch and Learning was organized. In total, 13 Lunch of Learning sessions (Figure 2) were organized by the PRG. On behalf of the PRG, Prof. Bostanci gratefully acknowledged the contribution of all presenters and the table participants.

### Lunch & Learning

Thursday, July 26, 2018 - Capital Hall, Level 0

**Table #08:** Nonsurgical treatment for periodontitis: perspectives from clinical trials.  
**Presenter:** Danae Apatzidou

**Table #09:** Oral treponemes: diversity and distributions in periodontal health and disease.  
**Presenter:** Rory Munro Watt

**Table #10:** Wound healing process in peri-implant versus periodontal tissues.  
**Presenter:** Binnaz Leblebicioglu

**Table #11:** Effective periodontal treatment for subjects with type 2 diabetes.  
**Presenter:** Hatice Hasturk

**Table #12:** Host genetics and periodontitis: how do we make the step from the lab to the clinic?  
**Presenter:** Luigi Nibali

**Table #13:** Protein biomarker discovery and validation for periodontitis.  
**Presenter:** Melissa Grant

**Table #14:** Novel nicotine products and the periodontist: e-cigarettes and beyond.  
**Presenter:** Richard Holliday

Friday, July 27, 2018 - Capital Hall, Level 0

**Table #25:** Periodontitis and cardiovascular diseases: evidence from national surveys.  
**Presenter:** Georgios Tsakos

**Table #26:** Resilience of the salivary microbiome in response to antibiotics.

**Presenter:** Egija Zaura

**Table #27:** Periodontitis and systemic diseases: association or causation.

**Presenter:** Gerry Linden

**Table #28:** Association between overweight/obesity and increased risk of periodontitis.

**Presenter:** Jeanie Suvan

**Table #29:** Role of macrophages in periodontal health and disease.

**Presenter:** Elisabeth A. Boström

**Table #30:** Design of clinical trials in Periodontology and Implant Dentistry.

**Presenter:** Niklaus Lang

**Figure 2. Listing of PRG Lunch and Learnings**



## 5. Group Program Chair Report (Philip Preshaw)

The Overall Group Program Chair, Prof. Philip Preshaw, presented the following summary report:

- This year, 16 symposia were sponsored or co-sponsored by the PRG. As shown in **Figure 3**.

Symposia	
<p><u>Tuesday, July 24, 2018</u>  <i>Increase your proficiency in carrying out effective peer reviews</i>            Organizer: Jocelyne Feine, Effie Ioannidou</p>	<p><i>Gender bias in scholarly activities: an evidence-based approach</i>            Organizer: Effie Ioannidou, Flavia Teles</p>
<p><u>Wednesday, July 25, 2018</u>  <i>Evidence-based periodontal treatment: interpreting results of RCTs and Systematic Reviews, a PRG/IADR and Cochrane Oral Health Group Joint Symposium</i>            Organizer: Magda Feres, Anne-Marie Glenny</p>	<p><i>The roles of nano-hydroxyapatite technologies in dentistry</i>            Organizer: Bennett Amaechi, Joachim Enax</p>
<p><i>Sticking together: a tale of two oral microbiologists</i>            Organizer: Hui Wu, Angela Nobbs, Patricia Diaz</p>	<p><i>Exploring Interface biology in dental research: organotypic culture applications</i>            Organizer: Binnaz Leblebicioglu</p>
<p><i>Microbial dysbiosis and cancer, periodontitis and peri-implantitis</i>            Organizer: Purnima Kumar, Janina P. Lewis</p>	<p><u>Thursday, July 26, 2018</u>  <i>Extracellular vesicles of neural crest-derived stem cells as a novel approach to stimulate alveolar bone regeneration through regulation of osteogenesis and angiogenesis</i>            Organizer: Wolf-Dieter Grimm</p>
<p><i>Altmetrics - The new impact factor?</i>            Organizer: Kenneth Eaton, Stephen Hancocks</p>	<p><i>Bone mechanical stimulation and its therapeutic applications</i>            Organizer: Cristina Teixeira, Mani Alikhani</p>
<p><i>Dental mineralization disorders: bench to bedside</i>            Organizer: Brian Foster, Catherine Chaussain</p>	<p><i>Host-microbial interactions at the oral mucosal barrier</i>            Organizer: Sarah Gaffen, Niki Moutsopoulos</p>
	<p><i>Oral microbiome (DNA/RNA) sequencing data analysis</i>            Organizer: Jorge Frias-Lopez, Di Wu, Dong Mei Deng</p>
	<p><i>Innovative clinical trial design with an interdisciplinary patient-centric focus</i>            Organizer: Francis Hughes, Iain Chapple, Sue Pavitt, Francesco D'Aiuto</p>
	<p><u>Friday, July 27, 2018</u>  <i>Harassment in science: steps to no-tolerance</i>            Organizer: Effie Ioannidou, Luciana Shaddox, Ariadne Letra</p>
	<p><u>Saturday, July 28, 2018</u>  <i>Periodontal regeneration using biologically active factors</i>            Organizer: Songling Wang</p>

**Figure 3. List of Symposia organized and Sponsored or co-sponsored by the PRG.** The multi-disciplinary topics and collaboration between Scientific Groups/Networks was the highlight of this meeting.

Prof Preshaw also announced and recognized the officers served as Group Program Chairs and abstract reviewers in 2017 – 2018:

Group Program Chairs:

Philip Preshaw

Overall

Thomas Dietrich	Diagnosis/Epidemiology
George Belibasakis	Pathogenesis
Hatice Hasturk	Therapy
<i>Abstract Reviewers:</i>	
Nagihan Bostanci	Diagnosis/Epidemiology
Moritz Keschull	Diagnosis/Epidemiology (New)
Purnima Kumar	Diagnosis/Epidemiology (New)
Cristiano Susin	Diagnosis/Epidemiology (New)
Silvana Barros	Pathogenesis
Flavia Teles	Pathogenesis
Gustava Garlet	Pathogenesis
Bruno Loos	Pathogenesis (New)
Danae Apatzidou	Therapy (New)
Francesco D'Aiuto	Therapy (New)
Ivan Darby	Therapy (New)
Luigi Nibali	Therapy (New)

Prof. Preshaw announced that 8 new Abstract reviewers were joined in 2017 ; 3 in Diagnosis/Epidemiology, 1 in Pathogenesis and 4 in Therapy replacing their predecessors who successfully completed their terms. He thanked the previous reviewers for their dedicated service for the past years and he invited all members of PRG who are interested serving as an abstract reviewer to notify himself or one of the PRG board members as soon as possible for upcoming open abstract reviewer positions. At least, 3 positions will be available for 2019-2020.

Details of abstract numbers regarding the 2017 Annual Meeting are shown in Table 2:

**Table 2. Abstracts submitted, rejected and accepted per presentation category**

	Submitted	Rejected	Withdrawn	Accepted	Oral	Poster
<b>Diagnosis/ Epidemiology</b>	63	0 (0%)	0	63	16	47
<b>Pathogenesis</b>	105	2 (1.9%)	0	103	22	81
<b>Therapy</b>	100	7 (7.0%)	0	93	24	69
<b>PRG totals 2018</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>9 (3.4%)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>197</b>
<i>PRG totals 2017</i>	<i>379</i>	<i>2 (0.5%)</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>373</i>	<i>78</i>	<i>295</i>

Dr. Preshaw concluded his report by stressing on the fact that abstract reviewing is a very important task of the PRG, yet it could be time consuming and demanding. He thanked all the reviewers who voluntarily and willingly continue to

serve in this role.

## 6. Secretary/Treasurer's Report (Alp Kantarci)

The Secretary/Treasurer of the PRG, Prof. Kantarci, delivered a summary of the financial situation for the PRG. Annual dues are currently \$25.00 per member and is being collected as part of the IADR/AADR registration as the main membership. If an IADR member chooses to be PRG member in addition to their main membership Group/Network, an additional fee is charged during registration. There is no limit to becoming a member of any other scientific group/Network; especially in these multi-disciplinary nature of scientific activities, members may benefit from being a member of more than 1 group/network. He also reminded to the members that per the new tax rules, the IADR is now handling the accounts of the scientific groups/networks.

As of last annual report (12/31/16) the balance in the account was \$13,278.70. The current balance as of 12/31/17 is \$54,315.19. The breakdown of the Income and expenditures are seen in **Figure 4**.

Periodontal Research Group U.S. Fed ID# 52-1608852	
Amount of annual dues per member	\$25.00
Fund balance as of last annual report (12/31/16)	\$13,278.70
<b>Income</b>	
Dues	\$12,738.00
Registration/Banquet/Reception Fees	\$0.00
<a href="#">Contributions and Grants (List separately)</a> <sup>1</sup>	\$20,000.00
Balance Transfer	0
Complimentary Membership	0
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$46,061.70</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>	
<a href="#">Grants, Awards, &amp; Fellowships to US Organizations (List recipients)</a> <sup>3</sup>	\$0.00
<a href="#">Grants, Awards, &amp; Fellowships to US Individuals (List recipients)</a> <sup>4</sup>	\$0.00
<a href="#">Grants, Awards, &amp; Fellowships to Organizations and Individuals outside of the US (List recipients)</a> <sup>5</sup>	\$1,172.59
Conferences, Conventions, Meetings, and Receptions - Scientific (speaker travel, honorarium, symposium, etc)	\$0.00
Conferences, Conventions, Meetings, and Receptions - Social (catering, reception venue, etc)	\$6,950.90
Bank Charges	0
Plaques	\$175.00
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$8,298.49</b>
<b>Current fund balance as of 12/31/17</b>	<b>\$54,315.19</b>

**Figure 4. 2017 Financial Report of the PRG.**

## 7. Councilor's report (Alpdogan Kantarci-AADR and Andreas Stavropoulos-IADR)

Profs. Andreas Stavropoulos and Alpdogan Kantarci offered a brief report of issues discussed at the IADR and AADR Council meetings held on Wednesday March 21, 2018 and Tuesday July 14, 2018 respectively. The topics discussed and approved by the Council are presented below:

- ☑ Council approved the **2018-2019 AADR Committee Appointments**.
- ☑ Council approved **Constitutional changes** adding the Editor of JDR Clinical & Translational Research to the Board of Director to be included on the membership ballot in the fall.
- ☑ Council approved a **Bylaws change** to include an AADR Development Committee.
- ☑ Council approved a **Bylaws change** to update the title of the Executive Director to Chief Executive Officer.
- ☑ Council approved the **AADR Budget for 2018**.
- ☑ Council approved the **2016 Independent Auditors' Report**.
- ☑ Council approved the nominees to stand for election as **AADR Vice-president 2019-2020**, as **AADR Treasurer 2019-2022**, and as **AADR Publications Committee Member-at-Large 2019-2022**.
- ☑ Council approved the Science Policy Statement: **Community Water Fluoridation**
- ☑ The Council Feedback session addressed four areas:
  1. AADR Professional Conduct at Meetings Policy
  2. AADR and IADR response to U.S. Executive Orders on Non-Immigrant Visas
  3. How to leverage AADR's new Science Policy on Water Fluoridation
  4. Feedback on Healthy Meetings policy as currently implemented and proposals for additions

☑ **Council approved**

- IADR Budgets for 2018
- Joint IADR/AADR Budgets for 2018
- Independent Auditors' Report 2016
  - 15 M USD (ca. 80% in investments)
  - 1.3 M USD congress fee + 1.3 M USD membership
  - 4.2 M USD dues - 1.6 M USD GS

☑ Council approved the following nominees for IADR Vice-President for elections

- Eric C. Reynolds  
The University of Melbourne, Australia
- Noor Hayaty Abu Kasim  
University of Malaya, Malaysia
- Byung - Moo Min  
Seoul National University, Republic of Korea

☑ Council approved **Bylaws Changes**

- Updating the title of the Executive Director to Chief Executive



Officer

- Council selected
  - Chengdu, China  
**2021 IADR/APR GS&E** (June 21 – 26)
  - Bogotá, Colombia  
**2023 IADR/LAR GS&E** (June 19 – 24)

➤ **IADR Centennial Task Force Update**

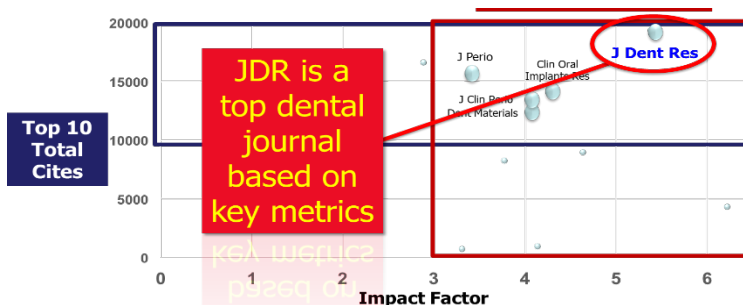
- Share your story; how & why IADR is important to you
- A short video 1-2 min (with your smart phone), blog post, Social media posts, photographs
- [iadr.org/ShareYourStory](http://iadr.org/ShareYourStory)
- Deadline 31 December 2018

## 8. Journal of Dental Research Editor Report (William Giannobile)

Prof. Giannobile gave an activity and status report for the JDR for the year 2017-2018.

He announced the key accomplishments for 2017-2018:

- Two-year SIF all-time high of 5.38, ranking #2/91 journals in Dentistry. Maintained #1 ranking for Eigenfactor™ with 19,305 total cites. 5-year impact factor = 5.72. **Figure 5.**
- Continued improvement of quality and quantity of JDR submissions with low self-citations of only 5.8%. Time from submission to 1<sup>st</sup> decision 16 days.
- Publication of 2 special *JDR* issues, 2 *Advances in Dental Research* and most recently a 5th *JDR* special issue on *Head and Neck Cancer*
- Continued strong JDR profitability in midst of high competing publication space in 2017 while maintaining access and reach of Journal broadly
- High author satisfaction when publishing in JDR: Of 18 questions, authors mean ranking was either “satisfied” or “highly satisfied” in 18/18 categories, with 88% of authors stating the JDR was their first choice for publication
- Significant increases in JDR total accesses over the past year (nearly 400,000 increase from 2016 to 3.79M in 2017): 589,571 full-text downloads from 545,706 full-text downloads the previous year.



**Figure 5.** 2018 Wiley Report of the 91 Journals in Dentistry, Oral Surgery & Medicine, 5 were in top 10 of both Impact Factor and Total Cites in 2017

He also announced the **Centennial Planning** for 2019. JDR Editors Task Force Launching of Publication will send invitations and subsequent line-up of papers for JDR during Centennial Year in 2019. Interviews are taking place at this IADR London Meeting.

## **9. Announcement of Prize Winners and presentation of awards (Prof. Magda Feres)**

The list of IADR/PRG awards given during 2017-2018:

- Sigmund S. Socransky Young Investigator Award
- Past Presidents' Travel Award (Colgate)
- Philips Oral Health Care Young Investigator Research Grant
- IADR/PRG Award in Regenerative Periodontal Medicine (Regedent AG)
- Karring – Nyman Sunstar Guidor Award
- Innovative approaches to prevention and non-surgical treatment of periodontal and peri-implant diseases (EMS)
- IADR/LION Dental Research Award for Junior Investigators (LION Corporation)

Prof. Feres invited Prof. Panos Papapanou to announce the recipient of the Sigmund S. Socransky Young Investigator Award sponsored by the PRG. Prof. Papapanou presented the Socransky Young Investigator Award to Tomoki Maekawa from Niigata University, Niigata, Japan.

Prof. Feres invited Prof. Iain Chapple to announce the winner of the Philips Oral Health Care Young Investigator Research Grant. Prof. Chapple presented the award to Simone Marconcini from University of Pisa, Italy with his project titled "The influence of different surgical protocols on the outcome of dental implants in diabetic patients.

Prof. Feres then invited Prof. Anton Sculean to announce the winner of the IADR/PRG Award in Regenerative Medicine Sponsored by Regedent. Prof. Sculean announced the winner as Shinya Murakami, Osaka University, Japan his outstanding contribution in oral regenerative medicine and presented his plaque.

Prof. Andreas Stavropoulos announced the next award's (Karring-Nyman Sunstar Guidor Award) winner as Siddharth Shanbhag from University of Bergen, Norway for his project titled "Three-dimensional cultures of periodontal progenitor cells for tissue engineering applications". The award was presented to the winner by Dr. Stavropoulos and the Sponsor representative Marie Wilson.

Prof. Philip Preshaw announced that this year IADR/LION Dental Research Award for Junior Investigator in Periodontal Research Category was given to Dr. Jacob Chew for National University of Singapore for his research titled: "Association between Rheumatoid Arthritis and Chronic Periodontitis: A case-control study" The Award was presented to the recipient by the PRG secretary/treasurer Prof. Kantarci and the Sponsor representative Dr. Tsuguno Yamaguchi.

Dr. Feres thanked all the sponsors for their continuous and generous support for

periodontal research.

The President, Prof. Feres, gave a member highlight as her concluding remarks. She thanked the board members Profs. Hasturk, Kantarci, Preshaw and Bostanci for their help and support during her presidency. She also offered her gratitude to Profs. Papapanou, Chapple, Sculean, Stavropoulos, Preshaw and Spahr for managing the awards on behalf of the PRG. Lastly, she also thanked to Belen Retamal, the PRG member for her continuous administrative support.

Finally, Dr. Feres announced a new award titled "IADR/IAP Ricardo Teles Clinical Research Award in Periodontology, established by Profs. Feres, Kantarci, Flavia Teles and Hasturk, in recognition of Dr. Ricardo Teles contributions to Clinical Periodontal Research. The award recognizes a Clinical Research Paper accepted for publication or published during the preceding year. This research award, sponsored by The International Academy of Periodontology (IAP) and BIOGAIA, Sweden. The main judging criteria will be relevance/importance of the clinical research for improving the knowledge about periodontal disease etiology, pathogenesis and treatment. The committee would comprise the following PRG and IAP full members: Magda Feres, Alp Kantarci, Flavia Teles, Hatice Hasturk; both PRG and IAP Presidents and one member from each organization appointed by the respective Presidents. The award consists of a cash prize of US\$3000 and a recognition plaque.

After her speech, the President, Prof. Feres was presented a recognition plaque by the upcoming President Prof. Hasturk for her achievements and outstanding service to the PRG during the last 3 years.

#### **10. New President's Address (Hatice Hasturk)**

The new President of the PRG, Prof. Hasturk began thanking Dr. Feres for all her work in the previous year, especially establishing a strong communication with the PRG membership base by initiating a newsletter, conducting a post-meeting survey and many more during her presidency. She also thanked the PRG Board, the abstract reviewers and all presenters and sponsors for their support, and congratulated the award recipients.

During her Presidential Address, Prof. Hatice Hasturk, gave a uniting and engaging speech for all members. She specifically presented the following goals during her presidency:

- To continue support and leadership
- To continue connecting members
- To efficiently communicate with members (emails, newsletters, meetings, etc.)
- To stimulate collaborative and consortium research in periodontal epidemiology/diagnosis, pathogenesis and treatment (workshop, symposia, awards)

She then recognized Prof Yamazaki, Papapanou and Chapple as our past presidents who received IADR Distinguished Scientist Award-Basic Science Research in Periodontal Disease Award in 2016, 2017 and 2018, respectively. She also

recognized the other past presidents of the PRG as recipient of this award and congratulated all and their outstanding contribution to the past, present and future of the PRG. Further, she recognized and congratulated Dr. Feres for receiving 2018 IADR Women in Science Award for Distinguished Female Mentor.

Dr. Hasturk ask PRG members for their suggestions for Symposia, Hand on Workshop and Lunch and Learnings for the upcoming IADR/AADR/CADR General Sessions in Vancouver. She invited all members to work together for a strong and engaging scientific group for many years ahead. She also pointed out that she will continue her immediate past president Dr. Feres' initiatives on engaging all PRG members in PRG board decisions, ensuring sufficient advertisement of the awards among PRG members and changing the election process to be inclusive for all PRG members. She also quoted the PRG constitution on Vice President election for the Geographical rotation and announced that next year candidates from South America are encouraged to be nominated.

Lastly, Prof. Hasturk invited all attendees for a drink and to socialize and network at the reception that traditionally follows the business meeting.

## 11. Future Meetings

Date	Location	Meeting
August 30 - Sept 1, 2018	Montevideo, Uruguay	VII Meeting of the Latin American Region, XIII Scientific Reunión SUIO - Sociedad Uruguaya de Investigación Odontológica
August 30 - September 1, 2018	Gauteng Province, South Africa	48th Scientific Meeting of the South African Division of the International Association for Dental Research
September 2-4, 2018	Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil	35th IADR Brazilian Division Annual Meeting
September 5-8, 2018	Buenos Aires, Argentina	FDI, World Dental Congress
September 6-7, 2018	Santiago, Chile	IADR Chilean Division Annual Meeting
September 11-14, 2018	Da Nang City, Vietnam	32nd IADR Southeast Asian Division Annual Meeting
October 10-12, 2018	Edinburgh, UK	British Society of Periodontology Annual Meeting
October 12-14, 2018	Lahore, Pakistan	5th Annual Conference of Pak Association for Dental Research (IADR Pakistan Section)
October 27-30, 2018	Vancouver, Canada	AAP
November 10, 2018	Jongno-Gu, Seoul, Korea	37th Korean Division Annual Meeting
November 17-18, 2018	Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan	66th Japanese Division Annual Meeting
June 6-8, 2019	Bangkok, Thailand	International Academy of Periodontology (IAP)
June 19-22, 2019	Vancouver, BC, Canada	IADR/AADR/CADR
September 19-21, 2019	Madrid, Spain	CED-IADR/NOF Oral Health Research Congress
March 18-21, 2020	Washington DC, USA	IADR/AADR/CADR
September 10-12, 2020	Marseille, France	IADR Pan European Regional Congress 2020

## 12. Other

Before adjourning the 2018 Business Meeting, Prof. Hasturk called for submissions for the 2019 IADR/AADR/CADR General Sessions in Vancouver, Canada. Lunch & Learn ideas should be submitted to the Vice President and symposium ideas to the President and GPCs.