

**International Association for Dental Research
Network for Practice-based Research Report 2020-2021**
(As submitted by October 7, 2020)

Current Officers

First and Last Name	Position	Term Starts	Term Expires
Madhan Balasubramanian	President	3/22/2020	3/26/2022
Richard Wierichs	Vice-president	3/22/2020	3/26/2022
Pathik Mehta	Secretary/Treasurer	6/23/2019	3/26/2022
Paul Anthony Brunton	Councilor(s)	7/29/2018	7/24/2021

What current and future plans does the Group/Network have to utilize funds?

Awards:

1. The current Ivar Mjor award for excellence in dentist practice based research to continue as the peak award for practice based research with a \$2000 cash award and a certificate of excellence.
2. Best oral presentation awards are proposed to be increased to 2 (oral presentations – first and runner up). Certificate only with no cash award proposed.
3. One new poster presentation award. Certificate only; no cash award proposed.

How will the Group/Network engage and support young investigators in IADR now and in the future?

Research Fund:

1. It is proposed a new research fund be developed for promoting practice based research. This is important to raise the profile of the network, and also offer opportunity for successful projects to be presented at IADR meetings.
2. Discussions are in progress to identify potential avenues to establish research fund/award for NP-BR (either using funding available to us, or seeking philanthropists or sponsorship for a more substantial and continued research funding).

Social profile:

2. The group will actively work to improve the social profile both in the IADR community site and other areas such as Twitter/Linkedin. In doing so, we will aim to work with young investigators and members from developing regions of the world in supporting them in practice based research activities.

Prior and Planned Activities for 2020-2021

Symposium/s & Lunch sessions

1. The NP-BR has currently co-sponsoring a symposium along with the IADR Neurosciences Group and Evidence-based Dentistry group. Symposium to be run online on 18 Nov 2020.
2. Work underway for joint symposiums and lunch learning sessions for the next IADR conference in Boston.

Planning questions and future agenda of the network:

1. The network will take up the position article on the Network for Practice Based Research as a commentary article to IADR for consideration, along with publishing it in a journal (Journal of Clinical and Translational Research).

Restructuring of the NP-BR webpage at IADR

1. A few suggestions are to be offered to the network description page in IADR so as to improve the groups visibility and make the objectives and vision/mision clearer to all meembers.

IADR Regional Development Award

1. The network is considering to apply for an IADR Regional Development Award to improve practice based reseach across developing regions in the world. Preliminary discussions are in progress.