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Dear Oral Health Research Colleagues and Friends:

This year has to be considered a really “strange and special” year. Everything was ready for celebrating the Centennial General Session of the IADR, AADR and CADR in Washington D.C. last March but, as you know, all the events were cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic disease.



While there is an inevitable “sense of loss” regarding this cancellation, the IADR Boards of Directors provided ways to virtually celebrate all of the awards, fellowships and grants we planned to celebrate in Washington DC, as well as, 100 years of dental, oral and craniofacial research.

We will meet next year, on July 21st-24th, in Boston, MA (USA) for the 99th General Session & Exhibition of the IADR, the 50th Meeting of the AADR and the 45th Meeting of the CADR. The 2021 IADR/AADR/CADR General Session will be a hybrid meeting, offering both virtual components and in-person events. Virtual components may include live stream presentations, simulcast presentations, pre-recorded presentations or any combination of these. Any virtual content from the 2021 IADR/AADR/CADR General Session will be recorded and available afterwards in the IADR CE On Demand library. The recorded content is free for all IADR members and will be available for purchase by nonmembers. Do not miss this opportunity to present your cutting-edge scientific discoveries!

We encourage OHRG members to submit abstracts in the field of Oral Health. Below some important information

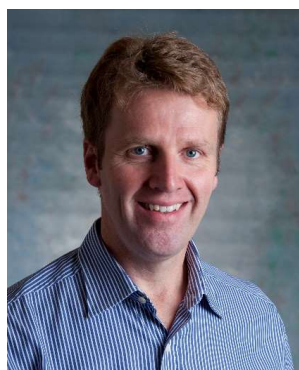
Dates and Deadlines for abstract submission:

- **March 1, 2021, 11:59 p.m. PT** Abstract Submission Site Closes
- **April 28, 2021** Abstract Notifications Emailed to Presenters
- **May 17, 2021** Presenter Pre-registration Deadline
- **Late May 2021** Final Presentation Numbers Emailed to Registered Presenters

Abstracts need to be submitted to topic areas as defined by the [IADR Scientific Group/Networks](#). In particular, **Oral Health Research Abstracts** should be submitted to this category if they are linked to a broad array of basic, clinical and applied studies related to:

- oral/dental hygiene strategies for the prevention of oral disease and the promotion of wellness;
- the outcomes of primary and secondary preventive care provided to and in collaboration with individuals and groups in a variety of settings;
- interdisciplinary approaches to integrating oral health into general health; clinical efficacy of professional and personal oral hygiene measures;
- methods to improve health outcomes of compromised patients through improved oral hygiene;
- the dental hygiene process of care;
- self-care strategies, including adaptations for special and culturally diverse populations, client-coping and practitioner caring dimensions, and promotion of healthful lifestyles;
- disease-prevention-/health-promotion-focused curricular models;
- science transfer methods;
- ethics and quality assurance;
- alternative patterns of practice;
- clinical decision-making;
- issues related to the conduct of research, including approaches to subject recruitment and retention, protocol compliance, data management and monitoring, quality control and study coordination

The OHRG Executive Committee:



**Ralf Adam
(President)**



**Olivia Marchisio
(President – elect)**



Alyson Axe
(Vice president)



Pat Lenton
(Secretary/ Treasurer)



Deborah Lyle
(Councilor)



Ann Spolarich
(Group Program Chair)



Francesca Peditto
(Symposium Chair)



Sylvia Santos
(Awards Chair)

Election of Officers

2021-2022 Vice-President:

CANDIDATE NAME	CANDIDATE INSTITUTION/COMPANY
Tara Fourrè	Johnson & Johnson
Abdelhabib Semlali	Univerite Laval

Current OHRG Officers:

Governance Position	Name	Start	Expiration
President	Ralf Adam	03/21/2020	06/26/2021
Past President	Marianne Zsiska	03/21/2020	---
President-elect	Olivia Marchisio	03/21/2020	06/26/2021
Vice-President	Alyson Axe	03/21/2020	06/26/2021
Secretary/Treasurer	Patricia A. Lenton	06/22/2019	03/26/2022
Councilor(s)	Deborah Lyle	06/22/2019	03/26/2022
Award Chair	Sylvia Santos	06/22/2019	03/26/2022
Group Program Chair	Ann Spolarich	03/21/2020	06/26/2021
Symposium Chair	Francesca Peditto	03/21/2019	06/26/2021

98th IADR General Session & Exhibition/ 49th Annual Meeting of the AADR/ 44th Annual Meeting of the CADR

Thank you to everyone who submitted their abstracts to the OHRG. We had a record number of 140 abstract submissions this year showcasing how highly diverse and vibrant Oral Health Research can be.

Let me take this opportunity to especially thank the other abstract reviewers, Alyson Axe, Tara Fourre, Pat Lenton, and Deborah Lyle, for their thoughtful reviews and time-consuming work. I very much appreciate the help and support I have received from our current and past committee members. The Executive Committee welcomes Ann Spolarich (Symposium Chair for 2019-2020).

As mentioned, we had 140 abstract submissions for the Washington Meeting. Out of those, we had to reject 8, leaving us with 132 presentations. We want to thank you all

again for the effort in preparing/sending/reviewing the abstracts. It was a huge undertaking for all people involved. Unfortunately, we missed the discussions and collaboration that the meeting provides.

Despite the cancellation of the meeting, the abstracts will be citable as part of an online only special issue of the Journal of Dental Research.

AWARDS :

We want to congratulate the 2020 award recipients.

- ✓ **IADR ORAL HEALTH RESEARCH YOUNG INVESTIGATORS TRAVEL AWARD :** The Young Investigator Travel Award was granted to **Dr. Aurea Simon-Soro**, a postdoctoral researcher at University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine for her work on Oral-Gut Microbiota Assessment in a Host Infection Animal Model. Dr. Simon-Soro plans to use the award proceeds to attend one of next year's meetings, possibly the IADR in Boston, where our group can acknowledge her accomplishments in receiving this award.

- ✓ **LION DENTAL RESEARCH AWARD:** The Lion Dental Research Award was granted to **Dr. Mohammed Nadeem Bijle** of The University of Hong Kong for his research on a novel symbiotic fluoride synergism for restoring oral ecological homeostasis.

- ✓ **IADR COLGATE-PALMOLIVE ORAL HEALTH RESEARCH AWARD:** The Colgate-Palmolive Oral Health Research Award was presented to **Prof. Dagmar Else Slot** (RDH, PhD), ACTA University Amsterdam (NL). Dagmar has been an active member of the Oral health Research group for several years and has made significant contributions to oral health sciences. She has been involved in systematic reviews to support the establishment of scientific evidence of various oral hygiene methods for the prevention and therapy of periodontal diseases. Dagmar's early career activities included positions in dental hygiene education and her passion for teaching carried forward into her current research responsibilities at ACTA where she continues to mentor research students. Dagmar's award will be presented to her at the 2021 AADR meeting in Boston.

OHRG New Website and LinkedIn Group

Our new website is up and running and can be visited at:

<https://www.iadr.org/IADR/Join-Renew/Groups-Networks/Oral-Health-Research-Group>

In addition, we do have a LinkedIn group to facilitate easier collaboration between meetings: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12009849/>

The OHRG Executive Committee kindly asks each of their members inform us once their abstract contributions to IADR/AADR/CADR sessions are finally published as full papers so that we can track our group's scientific contribution to the research community.

Please send email to aspolarich@atsu.edu Thanks!

Tips for managing your member profiles on the IADR website to obtain OHRG messages

To make sure you will receive relevant E-Mails for the OHRG via the IADR server, please set the right options in the IADR Member Portal. To do this, log into the IADR Member Portal, select “Edit my profile” on member tools. On the My Profile Page to the right under Account Options, select “My Privacy Options” and make sure the box for “include me in membership emails” is ticked.

2020 IADR OHR Oral Health Research Group Executive Board Meeting, e-conference meeting

DATE: March 19th 2020, Thursday 9:00 – 10:30 am (EDT)

RECORDED BY: Patricia Lenton (Secretary-Treasurer)

MEETING CALLED BY: Marianne Zsiska (President – OHRG)

ATTENDEES: Board Members: Ralf Adam; Alyson Axe; Tara Fourre, Pat Lenton; Deborah Lyle; Olivia Marchisio, Sylvia Santos; Ann Spolarich, Marianne Zsiska

Agenda

1. Awards - Sylvia Santos
2. Elections and Recruitment of future officers:
 - a. Appointment of Symposium Chair - Francesca Peditto (Solvay, France) for March 21, 2020 – June 26, 2021
 - b. Future Officer Recruitment, next election
3. Oral Reports:

IADR Councilor’s Report- Deborah Lyle
AADR Councilor’s Report – Marianne Zsiska
4. Secretary/Treasurer - Patricia Lenton
5. Group Program Chair – Tara Fourre
6. Website – Sylvia Santos
7. AADR Policy Statement on Tobacco Use (see attached email below)
8. Next Newsletter
9. Welcoming the new President (Ralf Adam), President-Elect (Olivia Marchisio) and Vice President (Alyson Axe).

1. Awards - Sylvia Santos
<p>a) The Lion Dental Research Award was granted to Dr. Mohammed Nadeem Bijle of The University of Hong Kong for his research on a novel synbiotic fluoride synergism for restoring oral ecological homeostasis.</p> <p>b) The Colgate-Palmolive Award went to Dagmar Slot. We had 9 candidates, most of whom were dental hygienists. The award will be sent to Dr. Slot and she will be recognized at the 2021 meeting.</p> <p>Sylvia Santos recommended the board discuss the current awards and eligibility criteria to make sure it is inclusive of our diversity in background and research focus</p>

<p>2. Elections and Recruitment of future officers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Appointment of Symposium Chair - Francesca Peditto (Solvay, France) for March 21, 2020 – June 26, 2021 ✓ Future Officer Recruitment, next election
<p>Marianne proposed, and the board agreed to appoint Francesca Peditto (Solvay France) for March 21, 2020-June 26,2021 as our Symposium Chair.</p> <p>The board discussed adding a student member to our officers’ group. Alyson and Sylvia agreed to collaborate on seeking information regarding this.</p>
<p>3. Oral Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ IADR Councilor’s Report- Deborah Lyle ✓ AADR Councilor’s Report – Marianne Zsiska
<p>IADR Councilor’s Report: Deborah Lyle, Key outcomes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of the nominees for IADR Vice-president 2021 – 2022 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Alvaro Della Bona (Brazilian Division) b) Om Prakash Kharbanda (Indian Division) c) Ophir Klein (American Division) • Council approved a change to the IADR Dental Anesthesiology Research Group to Dental Anesthesiology and Special Care Research Group. • Council approved the Position statement on Sugar-sweetened Beverages • Council approved the budget as projected knowing it will change but it is unknown what the loss will be at this time. • Awards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Would like to recognize recipients by presenting awards locally (university or other facility) and sharing through social media. - Recommendation to list the names during the Opening Session in Chengdu, China in 2021 • Future Meetings as reported during the meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2021: Chengdu, China (this was later changed to 2022. The meeting will be in Boston, MA.) 2022: Atlanta GA 2023: Bogotá, Colombia 2024: New Orleans, LA 2025: Barcelona, Spain <p>AA DR Councilor’s Report: Marianne Zsiska Key outcomes include:</p> <p>The AADR council meeting was held virtually on Wednesday, March 18, 2020 from 10:00am to 11:30am</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council approved the following slate of nominees to stand for election as AADR Vice-president 2021-2022: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Yang Chai, Southern California Section, Craniofacial Biology Group b) Anh Le, AADR Philadelphia Section, Clinical and Translational Science Network c) Alex Vieira, AADR Pittsburgh Section, Cariology Research Group • Council elected Luciana Shaddox as the 2020-2023 Member-at-Large.

- Council approved the following slate of nominees to stand for election as AADR Publications Committee Member-at-Large 2021-2024:
 - a) Andrew Fribley, AADR Michigan Section, Oral Medicine and Pathology Group
 - b) Carmen Pfeifer, AADR Portland Section, Dental Materials Group
 - c) Yu Zhang, AADR New York Section, Dental Materials Group
- Council approved the 2020-2021 AADR Committee Appointments as presented by the AADR Board Operations Committee.
- Council approved the Membership Development – A Science-First Approach plan. Association name change will be included on Fall 2020 ballot.
- Council approved the 2018 Independent Auditors’ Report.
- Council approved the Sugar-sweetened Beverages Policy & Position Statements
- Council approved the AADR Budget for 2020. Council approved the IADR/AADR Joint Budget for 2020. AADR Budgets: Will probably lose about \$1.3Million this year.
- Option to donate your registration fee - contact IADR at registration@iadr.org by March 20
- Council approved a Bylaws change to outline the Council meets at the Annual Meeting and at times when the Annual Meeting cannot be held, a virtual Council will meet.

4. Secretary/Treasurer - Patricia Lenton

Our most recent financial statement reported that we have over \$48,000 in our account

5. Group Program Chair – Tara Fourre

There were 140 abstracts and 132 were accepted. It is challenging to group the posters and oral session in cohesive session due to the diversity of topics that fall under the OHRG. The board will discuss if there is a system that can be put in place.

6. Website – Sylvia Santos

The website needs to be update and maintained on a timely basis. Members can make suggestions for additional items on our website by contacting Sylvia Santos at sersantos@verizon.net

7. AADR Policy Statement on Tobacco Use

The group had a good discussion regarding the IADR’s intention to come up with an eCigarette policy statement. Comments included:

- Very different trends between how adults vs children use products.
- We need to make certain that we are using current literature and scientific evidence.
- While we recognize and support that a new policy statement is needed, we need very current evidence (public health, behavioral health, laboratory testing, etc.).
 - Do we have enough “oral health” evidence?
 - The policy should include, not only e-Cigarettes but also vaping.
 - Amount, per person needs to be considered. This is not reflected in the current paper.
 - We have no idea of what is generated using all the various aromas that are blended in (flavoring agents). The toxicology needs to be considered.

- We have some bench data but very little data from actual human beings.
- There's still so much to be discovered.

Marianne recommended that Ann and Ralf prepare a statement based on the discussion to the IADR board.

8. Next Newsletter

Marianne suggested that a newsletter/communique go out to our members within the next 2 to 3 months giving our members an update about the goings on with our group and the IADR at large

9. Welcoming the new President (Ralf Adam), President-Elect (Olivia Marchisio) and Vice President (Alyson Axe)

Installation of Officers
Welcome: Ralf Adam as President, Olivia Marchisio as President-Elect, Alyson Axe as Vice President

The meeting was concluded at 9:00 am CDT