News and views

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Annual BSPD Conference, Bristol, 17–20 September 2003

The South-West Branch of the British Society of Paediatric Dentistry hosted the Society's Annual Scientific Meeting in Bristol, on the theme '@Bristol'. The prize presentations were all of a very high standard. This session has now become established and was very well attended. The winners were as follows:

Young Researchers Prize (sponsored by 3M ESPE) An aetiological and descriptive study of molar incisor hypomineralization

Rosemary Whatling, Department of Paediatric Dentistry, Queen Mary & Westfield College, London. Co-author – Janice Fearne.

Clinical Case Presentation (sponsored by RA Medical)

Dental diagnosis influences medical management Catriona Brown, Birmingham Dental Hospital. Co-author – Linda Shaw.

Poster Prize (sponsored by Dentsply)

Development of first permanent molars and incisors in LBW children

Saba Qureshi, Department of Paediatric Dentistry, The Royal London Hospital, Barts and the London NHS Trust. Co -author – Janice Fearne.

Max Horsnell Travel Bursary

The use of perioperative local analysis in children undergoing dental extractions under general anaesthesia

Kei Joe Leong, Department of Paediatric Dentistry, Eastman Dental Institute, UCL, London. Co-authors – Paul Ashley and Graham Roberts. Joe subsequently presented this work at IAPD in New Orleans in October 2003.

The Bristol theme began with talks from researchers involved in the Avon Longitudinal Study of Parents and Children (ALSPAC). This study has accumulated an enormous amount of data on the pre and postnatal development of a cohort of children born in the Avon area between April 1991 and December 1992. The Director of the study, Professor Jean Golding, provided an interesting and informative

history and overview of the study. The day continued with some of the dental and other findings that have come out of the study so far and ideas for the future. The theme continued on Saturday morning when there were two fascinating talks linked by the subject of Bristol Blue Glass. Robin Mills spoke about blue light emitting diodes and Jack Toumba finished the conference with an update on his research into slow release fluoride glass devices.

The social events were a great success. There was an entertaining and informative wine tasting, followed by a quiz for the 'Angel of the North' trophy, which was won by the South-East Branch. The Conference dinner was held in '@Bristol' under the Presidency of Dr Deborah Franklin, and all present had the opportunity to try out the exhibits before and after the dinner. The Conference prizes and Max Horsnell Travel Bursary were awarded, with RA Medical services presenting the Clinical Case presentation prize for the first time. Approximately 170 delegates attended in all and we look forward to meeting again in Belfast in 2004.



The 'Angel of the North' Trophy Winners - the SE Branch

BSPD Council report

This was the first BSPD Council Meeting to benefit from support from the new Administrative Assistant, Lynne Evenden.

The Specialists' Branch Constitution was accepted first by Council and subsequently at the

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AGM and Professor Liz Davenport was elected as the Specialists' Branch Representative on Council. The Specialists' Branch will take over responsibilities for liaising with BDA CDS Group and planning joint workshops at future BDA Conferences.

Exam successes

The most recent Intercollegiate Specialty Fellowship Examination in Paediatric Dentistry was held at the Royal College of Surgeons of England in October 2003. The two candidates were Rosemary Bryan, currently working in Glasgow, and Sarah McKaig, currently working in Birmingham. Both successfully passed the examination, and will be moving to consultant posts in the near future. Rosemary has been appointed to a substantive NHS consultant post in Leeds, and Sarah has been appointed to a substantive NHS consultant post in Birmingham.

The Intercollegiate Specialty Fellowship Examination in Paediatric Dentistry is taken at the end of the additional two years' training in an SACapproved post following the award of the CCST (or entry to the Specialist List by mediated entry) required for appointment to a Consultant post in Paediatric Dentistry. Success in this examination is indicated by the award of the indicative diploma of Fellow in Dental Surgery in Paediatric Dentistry -FDS(Paed)RCS - of one of the Royal Surgical Colleges of Edinburgh, England, Glasgow or Ireland. The examination is directed by the Intercollegiate Specialty Fellowship Board in Paediatric Dentistry. The Board has one representative from each Royal College and the Chair of the Specialist Advisory Committee (SAC). The current Chair of the Board is Dr Bruce Hunter.

Announcements

BSPD Max Horsnell Travel Bursary

Applications are invited for the BSPD Max Horsnell Travel Bursary for 2004. Rules of Engagement

- One award of £500 is available to assist the recipient to present their research at the EAPD Congress in Barcelona, Spain, 11-13 June, 2004.
- Applications must be made by 1 February 2004 (i.e. one month prior to the closing date for submission of abstracts) to the President of the British Society of Paediatric Dentistry:

Dr Deborah L Franklin Senior Clinical Lecturer in Oral and Dental Science Department of Oral & Dental Science Lower Maudlin Street Bristol BS1 2LY

E-mail: deborah.franklin@bristol.ac.uk • Applications must include: Personal details

Name of employing institution Current position held

Abstract of research to be presented at EAPD

- Applications will be considered by the President of the BSPD and a Senior Scientific Adviser not connected to the applicant's employing institution.
- Applicants will receive a reply within 2 weeks of the Bursary application closing date.
- If not awarded the amount will be carried over to 2005.

The 7th Congress of the European Academy of Paediatric Dentistry (EAPD)

Professor Juan Boj, EAPD President, is looking forward to welcoming colleagues to Barcelona, an exciting city, in the year of 'Universal Forum of Cultures Barcelona 2004'.

This biennial meeting, allowing exchange of new and interesting scientific information in the field of paediatric oral health, will take place in Barcelona on 10-13 June, 2004. The programme will include a precongress course, three main symposia and oral and poster abstract presentations.

For further information, including the closing date for submission of abstracts, and full congress programme, please visit: www.eapd2004.com

ECT04

An International Conference on the Management of Ectodermal Dysplasia and Severe Hypodontia

Thursday 20th & Friday 21st May 2004

Background: Ectodermal dysplasia is a rare syndrome, which can have severe effects both on those affected and their families. Of its manifestations, oral problems are often the most significant to patients, and there will therefore be an emphasis on this aspect of the management of the condition. This conference is intended to follow on from the first, which was held in Malmö, Sweden, in May 2002.

Location: Eastman Dental Institute for Oral Health Care Sciences, University College, London, UK. Downloadable map – www.streetmap.co.uk

Official Sponsors: Eastman Dental Institute, Eastman Dental Hospital, and Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.

Aims: To underline our current knowledge, and identify future strategies for research and treatment. The conference will be of particular interest to dental teams involved in the management of hypodontia, other healthcare professionals, and members of patient support groups.

Preliminary Programme Topics:

- Impact of ectodermal dysplasia and severe hypodontia
- Dental treatment of ectodermal dysplasia and severe hypodontia
- · Focus on the future

To register interest and be sent an information pack please contact:

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The 4th Conference of the Pediatric Dentistry Association of Asia

'Happy Child through Oral Health'

September 23–24, 2004
Bangkok, Thailand
'A fine city with the perfect blend of culture and civilization'
Professor J.O. Andreasen

Professor Anna Fuks

New trends in restorative and preventive paediatric dentistry

Hot issues in 'Genetics and Paediatric dentistry' Symposium: Early Childhood caries

Oral and Poster presentations

Call for Abstracts

You are all invited to share up-to-date information, scientific research and knowledge.

Deadline: 15 April, 2004

For further information visit:
www.pdaa2004.com
www.tspd.org
pdaathailand@chula.ac.th
The meeting will be supported by Dentsply Asia.

International Association of Paediatric Dentistry

20th Congress of The International Association of Paediatric Dentistry 31 October–5 November, 2005 Sydney, Australia www.iapd2005.com

European Society of Preventive Dentistry (ESPD) and the Academy of Minimally Invasive Dentistry (ACAMID) I

1st European Conference on Preventive and Minimally Invasive Dentistry.

The Conference is to be held in Copenhagen, 16–17 April, 2004
For details contact:

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