IADR Periodontal Research Group Annual Business Meeting Minutes

CTICC Convention Center, Room 2.61, Cape Town, South Africa
June 26th, 2014

1. **Welcome and Opening Remarks** (Shinya Murakami)
   The President, Prof. Shinya Murakami, welcomed the members and thanked the PRG Officers for all the work done during the last 15 months.

   *Minutes of last business meeting.* Prof Murakami noted that the minutes from the 2013 PRG Business Meeting are available on the IADR/PRG website.

2. **Announcement of PRG Officers for the last year and the forthcoming year** (Shinya Murakami)

   The Office Bearers for 2013/2014 were:

   President: Shinya Murakami, Osaka, Japan  
   President Elect: Evie Lalla, New York, USA  
   Secretary: Andreas Stavropoulos, Malmö, Sweden  
   Treasurer: Alpdogan Kantarcı, Boston, USA  
   Councilor: Panos Papapanou, New York, USA  
   Group Program Chair: Iain Chapple, Birmingham, UK  
   Immediate Past President: Philip Preshaw, Newcastle, UK  
   Corporate Liaison: Jack Spitznagel, Baltimore, USA

   The Office Bearers for 2014/2015 will be:

   President: Evie Lalla, New York, USA  
   President Elect: Andreas Stavropoulos, Malmö, Sweden  
   Secretary: *To be elected*  
   Treasurer: Alpdogan Kantarcı, Boston, USA  
   Councilor: Panos Papapanou, New York, USA  
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   The candidates for the position of Secretary – this year to be elected from the Asia/Pacific Region – were announced, and all PRG members present at the Business Meeting were invited to vote for the candidate of their choice.

   a. Huan Xin Meng, Peking University, China;  
   b. Axel Spahr, University of Adelaide, Australia; or  
   c. Kazuhisa Yamazaki, University of Niigata, Japan
3. Presidents’ report (Shinya Murakami)
The 2014 keynote address was given by our PRG President Prof. Shinya Murakami, Osaka University, Japan. The title of the presentation was “Periodontal Tissue Engineering by FGF-2”, and was held on June 25th 2014.

The 2014 IADR Distinguished Scientist Award for Basic Research in Periodontal Disease (supported by Colgate Palmolive Co) was conferred to Dr. Dana Graves, University of Pennsylvania, USA. Dr. Graves will give the keynote address lecture during IADR 2015 in Boston, MA, USA.

4. Secretary’s Report (Andreas Stavropoulos)
The secretary, Prof. Andreas Stavropoulos, presented the following summary report:

PRG membership data
A drop in total member number was seen in 2014, which is attributed to a decrease in student members of the PRG. This large drop should be seen in perspective of this year’s remote location for the Annual Meeting, which has most likely prohibited participation of large numbers of students. Student IADR membership is often associated with participation to the Annual Meeting, to achieve the reduced meeting registration rate.

PRG membership data as of June 2014:

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<td>576</td>
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<td>256</td>
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Educational offers organized by the PRG
There were 4 Lunch and Learn and 1 Hands-on Workshop sessions in 2014, most of them sold-out. The Secretary gratefully acknowledged the contribution of all presenters.

L&L
a. Gingival Epithelium Regulation: Is It Possible to Prevent Periodontal Disease?
Tsuyoshi Fujita, Hiroshima University, Japan

b. Proteomic Applications for Periodontal Diagnostics: How to Search a Needle in a Haystack
Nagihan Bostanci, University of Zürich, Switzerland

c. Antimicrobial Peptides and Periodontitis: Friends or Foes?
Daniel Jönsson, Malmö University, Sweden
d. Estrogen and Periodontal Diseases
Daniel Nebel, *Malmö University, Sweden*

**Hands-On Workshop**
*Periodontal Systems Biology – Making Sense of High-Throughput-Omics Data.*
Moritz Kebschull, *University of Bonn, Germany*

**5. GPC report** (Ian Chapple)
The Group Program Chair, Prof. Iain Chapple, presented the following summary report:

a. In 2014, 3 symposia were sponsored or co-sponsored by the PRG.

- *Mechanisms that regulate local and systemic impact of periodontal inflammation*
  Organizers: Tom Van Dyke (USA) (co-sponsored by Microbiology/Immunology Group) June 26th
  
  Speakers
  Thomas Van Dyke, The Forsyth Institute (USA)
  Andy Yen-Tung Teng, Kaohsiung Medical University (Taiwan)
  Fusanori Nishimura, Kyushu University (Japan)
  Dana Graves, University of Pennsylvania (USA)

- *Molecular basis of periodontal tissue homeostasis, destruction and regeneration*
  Organizers: Satoru Yamada (Japan) June 27th
  
  Speakers
  Satoru Yamada, Osaka University (Japan)
  Toshihisa Kawai, The Forsyth Institute (USA)
  Keith L. Kirkwood, Medical University of South Carolina (USA)
  William Giannobile, University of Michigan (USA)

- *The Effect of Periodontitis on Systemic Diseases Using Animal Model Systems*
  Organizers: Keiko Watanabe (USA) (co-sponsored by Microbiology/Immunology Group) June 28th
  
  Speakers
  Kazuhisa Yamazaki, Niigata University (Japan)
  Takaaki Tomofuji, Okayama University (Japan)
  Maria Febbraio, University of Alberta (Canada)
  Vladimir Ilievski, University of Illinois at Chicago (USA)

b. Prof. Chapple thanked the following subject area GPCs and reviewers for their invaluable contribution to the challenging task of reviewing all abstracts submitted to the PRG:
Group Program Chairs (by subject area):
  Thomas Dietrich     Diagnosis/Epidemiology
  Philip Preshaw      Pathogenesis
  Ricardo Teles       Therapy

Abstract Reviewers (by subject area):
  Thomas Kocher       Diagnosis/Epidemiology
  Kazuhisa Yamazaki   Diagnosis/Epidemiology
  Nagihan Bostanci    Diagnosis/Epidemiology
  Anders Gustafsson   Pathogenesis
  Flavia Teles        Pathogenesis
  George Belibasakis   Pathogenesis
  Hatice Hasturk      Therapy
  Hector Rios         Therapy
  Cristina Villar     Therapy

Starting with the 2014-2015 cycle, there will be one change in abstract reviewers, since Prof. Anders Gustafsson expressed the wish to be replaced. Prof. Chapple thanked Prof. Gustafsson for his many years of service and announced that Dr. Silvana Barros, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA will now serve as a reviewer in the Pathogenesis Group.

Details of abstract numbers for the 2014 Annual Meeting are shown in the following table:

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<td>2113</td>
<td>91 (4.3%)</td>
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*numbers in red indicate totals after abstract withdrawal, which was significant this year

6. Treasurer’s Report (Alpdogan Kantarci)
The Treasurer, Prof. Kantarci, delivered a summary of the financial situation for the PRG.

Annual dues are currently $20.00 per member. As of the last annual report (12/31/12) the balance in the account was $13,363.94. The current balance as of 12/31/13 was $13,221.20.
Councillor’s report (Panos Papapanou)

Prof. Panos Papapanou offered a brief report of issues discussed at the IADR Councilors’ meeting. He then informed members about an upcoming JDR Special Issue on Clinical Research (submission date by October 15, 2014), and presented the following information on JDR:

- **New submission limits**: 3,200 words, 5 figures/tables, 40 references
- **time from submission to first decision**: 13 days (2/3 papers triaged)
- **time from acceptance to online**: 19 days
- **time from acceptance to print**: 77 days

Prof. Papapanou finally announced the winners of the following awards:

- **Sigmund Socransky Young Investigator Award**, Dr. Nagihan Bostanci, University of Zürich, Switzerland
- **Past Presidents’ Travel Award** (sponsored by Colgate-Palmolive Co), Dr. Christiane Gocke, Ernst-Moritz-Arndt University of Greifswald, Germany

8. Announcement of other prize winners and presentation of awards

Prof. Chapple announced the winner of the Philips Oral Health Care Young Investigator Research Grant, which was Dr. Paola dePablo, University of Birmingham, UK

Prof. Murakami announced the winner of the IADR/Straumann Award in Regenerative Periodontal Medicine, which was Prof. Mark Bartold, University of Adelaide, Australia.
9. Announcement of the Results of Election of New Secretary (Shinya Murakami)
The President, Prof. Murakami, announced the results of the vote for the new secretary. Ballots had been distributed earlier in the ABM, and members present were asked to indicate their first preference. These were collected, counted, and scrutinized by the Secretary, the President Elect, and the Immediate Past President.

The President announced that following the counting of all votes, Prof. Axel Spahr, University of Adelaide, Australia, had been duly elected as the new secretary for 2014-2015.

10. New President’s Address (Evie Lalla)
The new President of the PRG, Prof. Lalla, presented a recognition plaque to Prof. Shinya Murakami, thanked the PRG Board, the abstract reviewers and all presenters and sponsors for their support, and congratulated the award recipients and newly elected Secretary. She then gave her Presidential Address. She urged for more translational research for the benefit of the patients, and also discussed how patient behavior and other environmental and contextual factors can influence health outcomes. Prof. Lalla pointed out that although biological advances will certainly promote improvements in healthcare, developing effective ways of communicating risk and sharing health information, of teaching new or more complex skills, and of supporting lifelong behavioral change will be as important a frontier as medical advances.

11. Future Meetings

| Date          | Location            | Meeting         |
|---------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 2014 September 19-22 | San Francisco, CA, USA | AAP             |                 |
| 2015 March 11-14     | Boston, MA, USA    | IADR/AADR/CADR  |                 |
| 2015 June 4-6       | London, UK         | Europeo 8       |                 |
| 2015 October 8-9    | Bali, Indonesia    | APSP            |                 |
| 2016 March 16-19    | Los Angeles, CA, USA | AADR            |                 |
| 2016 June 22-25     | Seoul, Republic of Korea | IADR            |                 |
12. Other

Before adjourning the 2014 Business Meeting, Prof. Lalla called for submissions for the 2015 IADR General Session in Boston. Lunch & Learn ideas should be submitted to the Secretary and symposium ideas to the President and GPC.