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IADR Elects George Belibasakis as Vice-president

Alexandria, VA, USA – Members of the International Association for Dental, Oral, and Craniofacial Research (IADR) have elected George Belibasakis, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm, Sweden to serve as Vice-president. His term will commence at the conclusion of the 104th General Session of the IADR, which will be held in conjunction with the 55th Annual Meeting of the AADOCR and the 50th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Association for Dental Research, from March 25-28, 2026 in San Diego, CA, USA.



Belibasakis is currently Professor of Clinical Oral Infection Biology, Head of the Division of Oral Health and Periodontology, and Head of Research at the Department of Dental Medicine, Karolinska Institutet in Stockholm, Sweden. He received his D.D.S. at Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece and his Ph.D. in Oral Microbiology at Umeå University, Sweden. He completed his Postdoctoral Fellowship at King's College London, UK and received his M.Sc. in Periodontology at Queen Mary University of London, UK.

Belibasakis's research is largely focused on deciphering the biological mechanisms underlying common oral diseases. He strongly believes that understanding in depth the biology of oral disease is the preamble for clinically innovative diagnostic and therapeutic modalities, in the context of precision healthcare. Hence, his aspirations are to discover/validate clinical biomarkers and novel antimicrobials, develop molecular-based chair-side diagnostics, and explore the associations between oral and systemic health.

Since joining the IADR in the late 1990s, Belibasakis has been a member of the British, Scandinavian, and Continental European Divisions. He has served in various committees and in different roles, including the IADR Periodontal Research, Microbiology and Immunology, and the Implantology Research Groups. He has served on the IADR Fellowships Committee, the IADR/AADOCR Publications Committee, the IADR Annual Session Committee, and on the Journal of Dental Research Editorial Board.

About IADR

The International Association for Dental, Oral, and Craniofacial Research is a nonprofit organization with a mission to drive dental, oral, and craniofacial research for health and well-being worldwide. IADR represents the individual scientists, clinician-scientists, dental professionals, and students based in academic, government, non-profit, and private-sector institutions who share our mission. Learn more at www.iadr.org.

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