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AAID conference packs the Palace in Las Vegas

By Sierra Rendon, Managing Editor

Dr. Craig Misch receiving a standing ovation prior to his keynote session, 'Extract and Immediate Placement,' at the AAID's Annual Educational Conference in Las Vegas. See Pages 2-4 for more AAID pictures. Photo/Sierra Rendon, Managing Editor

Thousands of clinicians and supporting staff descended on the grounds of Caesars Palace in Las Vegas to attend the American Academy of Implant Dentistry's 64th Annual Educational Conference from Oct. 26-29.

This year's AAID's meeting, "Where Classic Principles Support Cutting-Edge Implant Dentistry," aimed to provide "practical education for the practicing implant dentist." Topics included the science of implant dentistry; pharmacology of implant dentistry; future of dental implants; soft-tissue management; formulas for success; management of complications; and much more.

Many of the educational sessions drew crowds, such as Dr. Carl Misch's keynote address, "Extract and Immediate Placement," which focused on immediate temporization, risk management for immediate implants in extraction sites and guidelines for extraction and immediate implant placement.

Another session that drew great interest was Dr. Jaime Lozada's seminar on "3-D Printing Technology in Implant Dentistry," which featured actual use of a 3-D printer on site during the session.

The exhibit hall was brimming with new products and technology created to make implant dentistry simpler, faster and more successful.

One such new technology was X-Guide Dynamic 3-D Navigation System by X-Nav Technologies. The AAID was the first show that the X-Guide appeared at since receiving its FDA clearance in mid-October.

The X-Guide system is designed to elevate the surgeon's control and precision during the entire implant process, including planning and placement, said Michelle Jackson of X-Nav.

Interactive, turn-by-turn guidance during live surgery gives clinicians the ability to visualize precise movements of the handpiece during osteotomy and implant delivery for more exact implant placement. "It's like GPS for the drill," according to Jackson.

Another innovative new product at the AAID was the Restful Jaw®, an easy-to-use, clinically proven device that supports the jaw during treatment. Designed by dental researcher and educator Dr. Eric L Schiffman, the device has been tested in clinical trials for more than a decade.

"One of our clinicians said it best: You may not need it for every client, but when you need to use it, it can be a real lifesaver," Schiffman said.

AAP to host annual meeting in Orlando

By Sierra Rendon, Managing Editor

The American Academy of Periodontology will host its 101st annual meeting in Orlando from Nov. 14-17 at the Gaylord Palms Resort & Convention Center.

With thousands of periodontists, hygienists, dental students and researchers in one place, this year's annual meeting is about more than lectures and workshops; it provides an opportunity to learn, share, and network with like-minded dental professionals from around the world, according to AAP President Joan Otomo-Corgel.

Show attendees can count on a wealth of continuing education opportunities (more than 25 C.E. hours) and informative fare to suit each individual's tastes. Whether you're interested in treatment techniques, emerging technologies, scientific advancements, practice development or clinical applications, there is a place for you.

AAP event planners say the Gaylord Palms is rolling out its red carpet for those attending this flagship academy event. Day-one festivities culminate in a come-as-you-are welcome reception to be held after sunset on the Coquina Lawn. Bring your most comfortable sandals and your favorite tropical attire.

Otomo-Corgel also says the AAP is excited to present special opportunities designed for those at all levels of the dental profession. Once again, the AAP will host a symposium for dental hygienists on Nov. 14. This special series of lectures recognizes the role of hygienists in oral health care, equipping them with the latest information on such topics as perio-systemic health, peri-implant disease and regenerative periodontics.

The AAP will also host programs geared toward emerging periodontal professionals, including those who are just beginning to practice and those who have recently completed or will soon complete residencies. One such program is a dedicated symposium, presented in conjunction with the AAP Foundation and the Osteology Foundation.

For more on the annual meeting, visit *www.perio.org*.

Scenes from the AAID

Seminar attendees gather to check out the 3-D printer before Dr. Jaime Lozada's session on '3-D Printing Technology in Implant Dentistry' at the AAID Annual Educational Conference. Photos/Sierra Rendon, Managing Editor

Matius Viale Ochoa at the Microdent booth.

Kevin Kim, president of DoWell Dental Products, helps an attendee at the company's booth at the AAID.

Dr. Eric Schiffman models on Dr. Johnson how to use the Restful Jaw, an easy-to-use, clinically proven device that supports the jaw during treatment. The product, which Schiffman designed and created, was exhibited during the AAID conference.

The Glidewell team — Jimmy, Monica, Suzanne and Dr. Paresh Patel — helped attendees learn about Hahn implants during the AAID conference.

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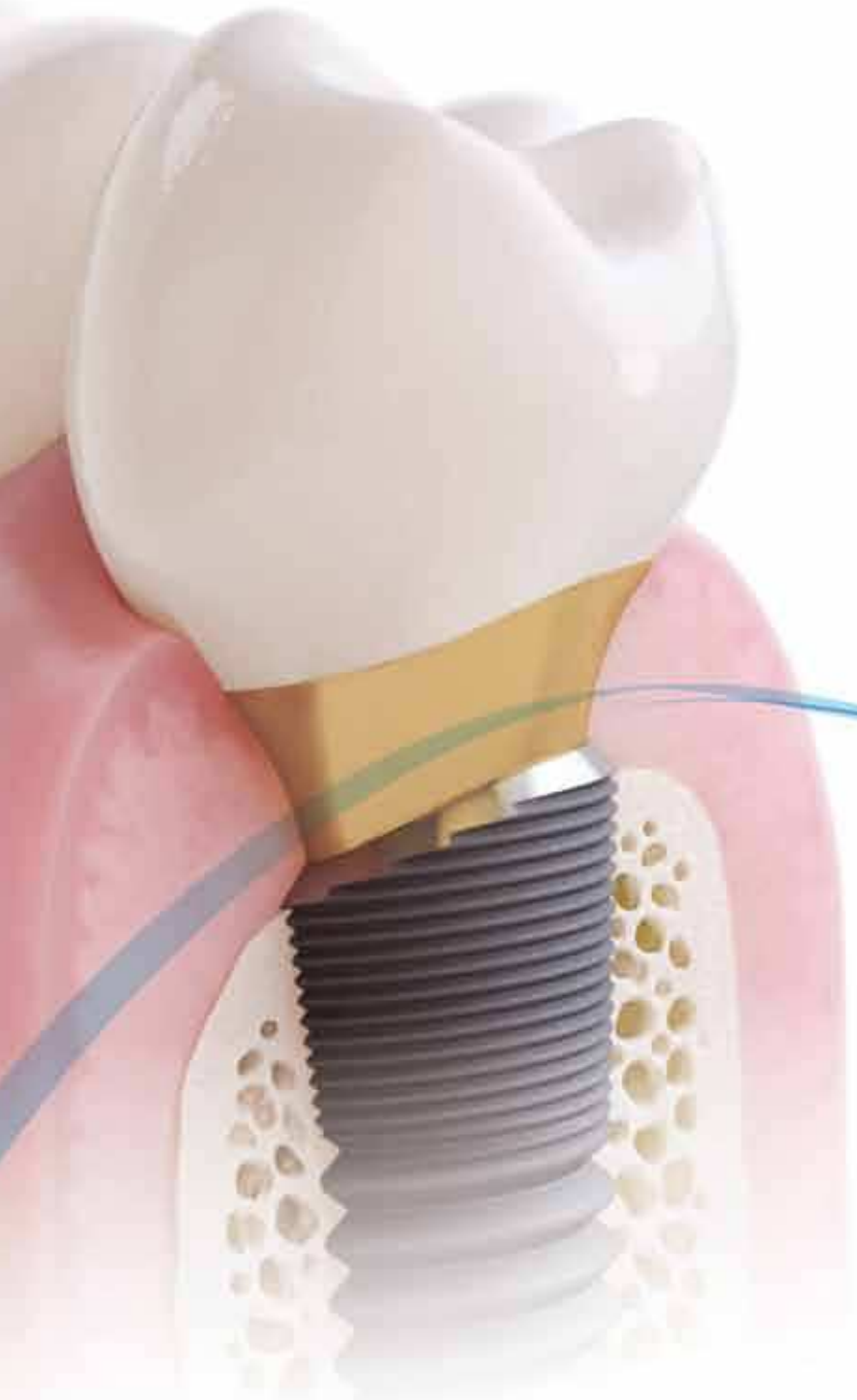

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From left, Steve Wright, Ed Mills and Gisela Landreville at the Keystone booth.

The Henry Schein Surgical Solutions booth.

Emiko Ota and Esther Lee show attendees the new Osada XL-S40 at the Osada booth.

Lending Club's Jennifer Molette, left, and Kim Hawkins at the booth.

Matt Miller helps an attendee at the Meisinger booth.

Chris Totty and others help a crowd of attendees at the Salvin booth.

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Mark the calendar: AO 2016 Annual Meeting now includes hands-on workshop sessions

Enjoy the sights of San Diego, Calif., during the AO Annual Meeting in February.

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By AO Staff

To accommodate the growing demand for dental implant training and education, the Academy of Osseointegration (AO) has expanded its 31st annual meeting to include hands-on workshop sessions.

These sessions will be held the afternoon of Feb. 17, the day before the opening symposium and welcome reception. For the next three days (Feb. 18-20), specialists and general dentists will continue to learn together about the latest in science and technology from the world's leading clinicians and researchers.

The meeting, themed "Globalization of Implant Dentistry: A World Collaboration," will be held at the San Diego Convention Center in San Diego.

Follow AO on Facebook and Twitter using #AO2016 to stay up to date.

"Clinicians, residents and students who carve time out of their busy schedules to attend our annual meeting do so because they share our conviction that knowledge and training are essential for the successful use of dental implants," said AO President Dr. Russell Nishimura. "We owe it to them to maximize their time by ensuring this experience gives them world-class education in an outstanding learning environment, and that it translates into optimal patient care."

The annual meeting will include more than 50 clinical presentations; an expansive exhibit hall; hundreds of ePosters, as well as oral scientific abstracts and oral clinical research sessions; corporate forums; lunch and learn sessions; a young clinicians lecture series; and a TEAM Program and laboratory technician program. In addition to the opening and closing symposiums, there will be a "Focus on China Symposium," where speakers from different regions of China will present on their clinical experiences and research in implant dentistry.

"We have put together an unparalleled line up of clinicians, teachers and researchers from around the globe to present on the topics most important to today's implant dentist," said Dr. Peter Moy, 2016 annual meeting program chairperson. "The whole point of this meeting is to ensure our members and guests take valuable information back to their practices to provide optimum care for our implant patients, and that's exactly what we plan to do."

Throughout the conference there will be numerous opportunities to network and socialize, including the president's reception, a time-honored event complimentary to all attendees. This year's reception will be held at the San Diego Air and Space Museum.

"San Diego is easy to fly into from anywhere in the world," Nishimura said. "With its warm weather and great amenities, such as beaches, golf, shopping and the zoo, it's an awesome place to bring your family."

For more information on the annual meeting, visit *http://meetings.osseo.org/*

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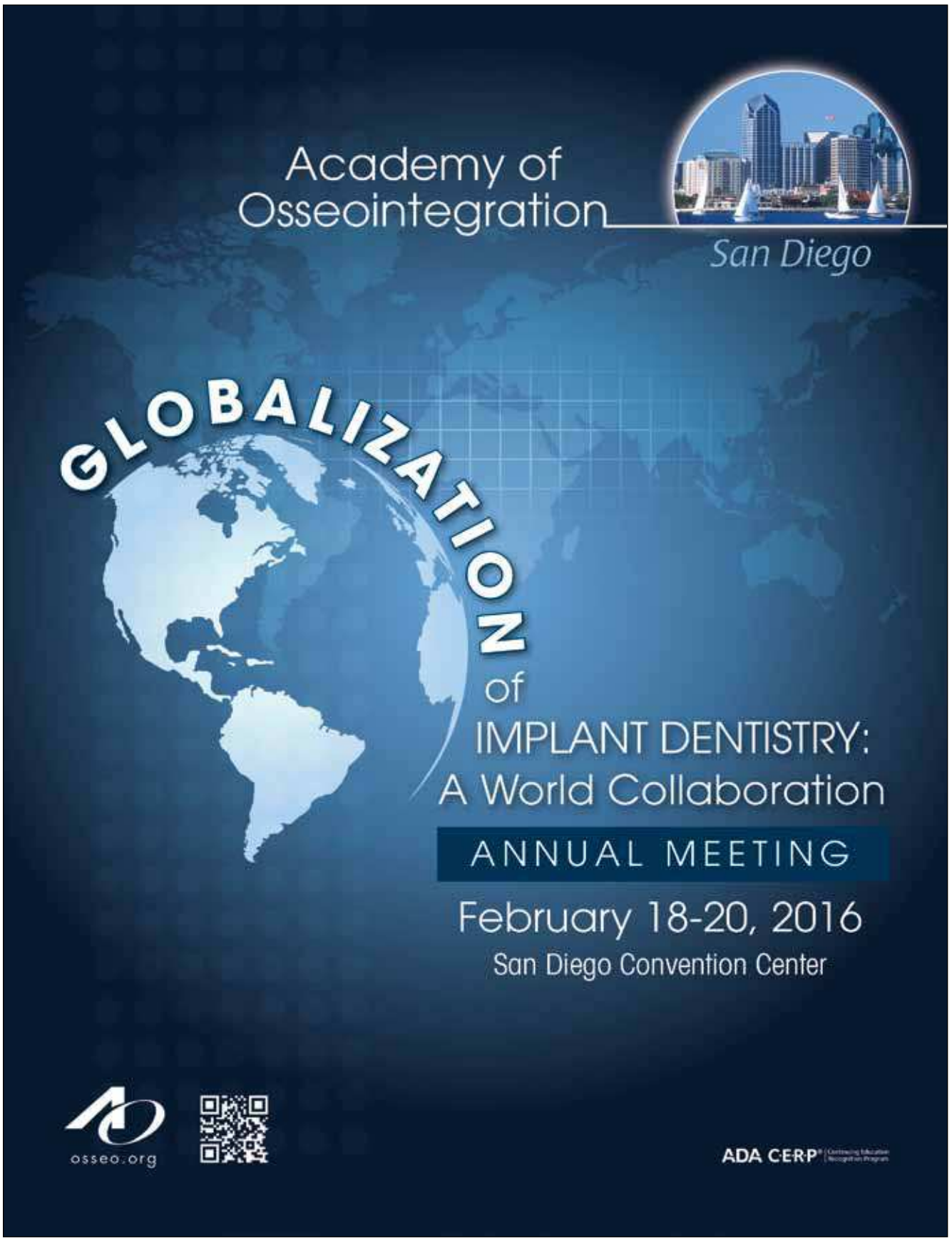

About the Academy of Osseointegration

With 6,000 members in 70 countries around the world, the AO is recognized as a premier international association for professionals interested in implant dentistry. AO serves as a nexus where specialists and generalists can come together to evaluate emerging research, technology and techniques; share best-practice information; and coordinate optimal patient care using timely, evidence-based science and methods. Follow AO on Facebook and Twitter.

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