AAID annual meeting to debate implant treatment options and broadcast live surgeries

Washington, D.C., will be the site of the AAID’s 2012 scientific meeting. (Photos/Provided by www.sxc.hu)

At the 2012 annual scientific meeting of the American Academy of Implant Dentistry (AAID), Oct. 3–6 in the nation’s capital, the main podium sessions will have a new format — 10 formal debates covering timely and perhaps controversial topics in implant dentistry. Speakers will be allotted 30 minutes to convey their arguments, and a moderated interchange of responses will follow. Session attendees can vote preferences electronically after each session.

“It should be one of the liveliest and provocative AAID meetings ever, as our speakers will debate alternative treatment options in their presentations,” said AAID President James L. Bush, DDS.

The debate topics include:

• Implant dimensions: long vs. short
• Esthetics: ceramics vs. gingiva
• Treatment planning: bioengineering vs. design engineering
• Treatment options: comprehensive vs. conservative
• Grafting: plain and simple vs. bells and whistles
• Placement: guided surgery vs. free-hand skilled surgeries
• Implant soft-tissue esthetics: biometrics vs. biomimetics
• Block grafts: autogenous vs. allogenic
• Vertical augmentation: vascularized ostotomies vs. GBR
• Prosthetics: glass ceramics vs. metal ceramics

In addition to the debates, the AAID meeting will feature live surgery broadcasts and 15 hands-on workshops covering topics such as laser implant dentistry and use of Botox and dermal fillers for optimal esthetic outcomes.

Former AAID president Joel Rosenlicht, DMD, will be the surgeon in a live broadcast showing interpositional bone grafting procedures. The procedure places bone-graft material between viable segments of existing bone. The session will help AAID attendees understand when bone grafting is appropriate and show the surgical technique and how to harvest autologous bone and use allographic bone material. Also, Alan Herford, DDS, MD, will perform live surgery in a session titled “Reconstruction of an Atrophic
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James L. Bush, DDS, left, is current AAID president. Former AAID president Joel Rosenlicht, DMD, right, will be the surgeon in a live broadcast showing inter-positional bone grafting procedures at the AAID annual meeting.

Ridge after rhBMP2." The presentation will show how rhBMP2, a growth factor, enhances bone regeneration for augmentation of deficient ridges and improves bone quality and sufficiency for successful implant placement.

In addition, a live surgery will be broadcast from Russia with Maxim Kopylov, DDS, and Sergey Zorin, DDS, performing a vertical and horizontal 3-D bone reconstruction.

This session will help attendees diagnose and classify various types of bone loss and formulate treatment options.

Hands-on workshops are very popular with AAID meeting attendees and 15 will be offered at this year’s AAID meeting. Two sessions will cover laser implant dentistry and use of Botox and dermal fillers in dental practice.

Edward Kusek, DDS, will moderate the laser surgery workshop and show how to use erbium, diode lasers to treat peri-mucositis and peri-implantitis. Applications for Botox and dermal fillers are the fastest growing area in dentistry, and Louis J. Malcmacher, DDS, will conduct a fast-paced session that will enable attendees to integrate these facial injectable agents into their practices to optimize esthetic outcomes for implant procedures.

About AAID

AAID is the professional society dedicated to maintaining the highest standards of implant dentistry through research and education. The academy’s annual meeting is the field’s leading venue for cutting-edge, evidence-based implant research presentations and demonstrations of state-of-the-art implantation techniques. AAID is based in Chicago and has more than 4,500 members. It is the first organization dedicated to maintaining the highest standards of implant dentistry by supporting research and education to advance comprehensive implant knowledge. For more information on the AAID, see www.aaid.com.

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