Education highlights for today, Saturday

Take your pick: There are debates, hands-on workshops and even a surgery live from Russia. Which will you choose?

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Scenes from the AAID

Tons of exhibitors are waiting for you to come by. We caught up with a few of them to see their offerings!

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Main podium debates draw attendees as speakers argue it out over a variety of topics in implant dentistry

By Sierra Rendon, Dental Tribune

The debates continued Thursday as a host of educated and well-known speakers took to the podium to defend their viewpoints at the 61st American Academy of Implant Dentistry’s annual meeting in Washington, D.C. “We hope you are as excited as we are to hear and participate in debates on 10 different topics in implant dentistry,” said AAID President Larry Bush. “This should be one of the liveliest and most provocative AAID meetings ever!”

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Dr. Craig Misch discusses ‘Key Implant Positions and Biomechanics’ as part of the main podium program Thursday morning.
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The 2012 edition of the Buyers’ Guide includes a request for information (RFI) functionality that allows users to contact participating suppliers with a click of their mouse. With a downloadable desktop search application available, visitors also have the ability to search for items directly from a small search window on their desktops — making the search process more convenient and time-efficient.

There is even an app for your Apple device so you can access Dental Industry Marketplace on the go. Visit the Apple Store to download the AAID mobile app or scan the QR code to go directly to the app.

For more information, visit www.dentalindustrymarketplace.com or www.aaid.com.
Today: Main Podium
• Debate No. 5: “Grafting – Plain and Simple vs. Bells and Whistles,” Alfred “Duke” Heller, DDS, vs. Edgard El Chaar, DDS
• Debate No. 6: “Placement – Guided Surgery vs. Free-hand Skilled Surgeries,” David M. Vassos, DDS, vs. Scott Ganz, DMD
• Debate No. 7: “Implant Soft Tissue Esthetics – Biomechanics vs. Biometrica,” Michael Sonick, DMD, vs. Marius Steigmann, DMD
• Debate No. 8: “Block Grafts – Autogenous vs. Allogenic,” Fouad Khoury, DMD, PhD, Prof., vs. John Russo, DDS

Today: Hands-on Workshops
The following sessions are from 8 a.m.–noon.
• “Dental Photography, How to Take Great Dental Images: Essentials in Preparing for Board Examinations,” John Carollo, DMD
• “Autogenous Bone Graft: Secure Harvesting and Augmentation Procedures,” Fouad Khoury, DMD, PhD, Prof.

The following sessions are from 1:30–5:30 p.m.
• “Plastic Periodontal Therapy: Soft Tissue Manipulation Around Natural Teeth, Dental Implants and the Art of Suturing,” Edgard El Chaar, DDS
• “Boost Your Practice with Social Media,” Jason Lipscomb, DDS
• “Bone Allografting for Implant Dentistry,” John Minichetti, DMD, Lawrence Naillt, DDS, and Matthew Young, DDS

Today: Global Symposium
The following sessions are from 8 a.m.–noon.
• “It’s All About Space,” Nitish Surathu, BDS
• “Advanced Tissue Reconstruction. Is BMP 2 the New Gold Standard?” Nicholas Caplanis, DMD, MS
• “Influence of Implant Macro-design on the Peri-implant Tissues,” Jihad Abdallah, BDS, MScD
• “Make an Impression: Go Digital!” Natalie Wong, DDS
• “Face-to-Face Surgery and Prosthetics,” Sergio H. Cacciaccaine, DDS
• “A Unique Perspective on Implants ‘Screwless & Cementless,’” John Stowell, FDSRCS

The following sessions are from 1:30–5:30 p.m.
• “Repair of Sinus Membrane Perforation,” Jaeyun Shim, DDS
• “Predictable Bone Regeneration with Allografts.” Bernee Dunson, DDS
• “Short Implants – Does Length Matter?” Paresh Kale, MDS
• “Approaching 30 Years with Implants: Long-term Cases and Recent Techniques,” Yasunori Hotta, DDS, PhD

Live surgery from Russia
“Vertical and Horizontal 3-Dimensional Bone Reconstruction,” Maxim Kopylov, DDS, and Sergey Zorin, DDS

Saturday: Main Podium
The following sessions are from 8 a.m.–noon.
• Debate No. 9: “Vertical Augmentation — Vascularized Osteotomies vs. Guided Bone Regeneration,” Itsvan Urban, DMD, MD, vs. O. Hilt Tatum, Jr., DDS
• Debate No. 10: “Prosthetics — Glass Ceramics vs. Metal Ceramics,” Christian Stappert, DDS, PhD, vs. Christian Coachman, DDS

Saturday: Hands-on Workshops
The following sessions are from 8 a.m.–noon.
• “Implant Site Development — Hard Tissue Manipulation.” Marius Steigmann, DMD

For a complete schedule of events, including sessions designed specifically for Allied Staff, check out the AAID new mobile app or pick up a copy of the AAID Onsite Program.

Dr. Joel Rosenlicht performs an interpositional bone grafting surgery in a live broadcast to AAID participants Thursday morning. (Photo/Sierra Rendon, Dental Tribune)

Although “Research” is no longer in the name of the AAID Foundation, research will not be slighted by the foundation.

The foundation board voted in June to expand the mission of the foundation beyond research to include such activities as support for humanitarian efforts, grants for education, development of an implant training center and more.

According to Dr. Jaime Lozada, chair of the AAID Foundation, “Removing the name ‘research’ will not impact the foundation’s role in supporting research grants. It will allow the foundation to expand to include other areas of support.”

Individual members and dental companies will now have additional programs and projects to support with their contributions to the foundation.

Those wishing to honor the memory of Dr. Norman Goldberg, AAID’s founder who recently passed away, may want to make a memorial contribution to the AAID Foundation.

Contributions can be sent to the foundation at AAID’s headquarters, attention Afshin Alavi, at 211 E. Chicago Ave., Suite 750, Chicago 60611.

AAID Foundation’s new moniker reflects its expanded mission