Orthodontists from around Europe are gathering in Stockholm this week for the annual congress of the European Orthodontic Society. Being held over five days at Stockholmsmässan, the city’s premier conference and exhibition venue, the specialist meeting will once again present the latest research and innovations in the field.

This year will be the fifth time that the historic meeting is held in Sweden. According to congress chairman Jan Huggare, an orthodontist and professor at Karolinska Institutet’s Department of Dental Medicine in Stockholm, the programme will cover traditional orthodontic topics, as well as focus on medically compromised patients and patients’ treatment experiences, among other subjects. A number of internationally distinguished clinicians will share their expertise on a wide range of topics, including the factors that determine whether orthodontics should be conducted with or without orthognathic surgery or whether archwire distraction is possible in alveolar distraction osteogenesis. The presentations will concentrate on the adult patient, as well as the orthodontic treatment of children and adolescents with lingual appliances.

The Sheldon Friel Memorial Lecture, honouring the organisation’s past president and honorary member, will be held by University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill adjunct professor Sheldon Peck and deal with the search for orthodontic truth. Also, the winners of the W J B Houston Research Awards, the Beni Solow Award and the award established in memoriam of the late Prof. Francesca Ada Miotti will be announced.

“It is a great honour to host this annual meeting of our orthodontic community, which links the traditions cherished and refined by past Presidents of the Society with the challenges of meeting the expectations of the younger members of our Society,” Huggare said.

Founded in 1907 with the goals of advancing all aspects of orthodontics and its relations with the collateral arts and sciences for the public benefit, as well as of seeking the furtherance of orthodontics among all branches of the dental profession working in private practice, hospitals and universities throughout Europe, the EOS currently has members from 24 countries, including Sweden, Germany, Austria, France and the UK. Its first meeting took place in Berlin in 1910. The congress was previously held in Sweden in 1956, 1965, 1981 and 1993. The meeting is open to members and non-members alike. Those who wish to attend the five-day programme are still able to register on-site, but will have to pay a fee, the organiser said.

More information can be found on the meeting’s official website, www.eos2016.org.
Invisible braces market to grow rapidly over next five years

According to a recently published report, the global invisible braces market is expected to grow at a 12.16 per cent compound annual growth rate from 2016 to 2021. The report analyses the development of the ceramic, lingual and clear aligners segment in ten major countries and further shows that the process will be mainly driven by technological innovations and increasing demand for invisible braces among the adult population with aesthetic concerns about fixed orthodontic appliances.

Over the past decade, improved technological advancements, particularly digital technologies, and increasing awareness of aesthetic alternatives to conventional braces have led to growing demand for orthodontic treatment with aligners. In addition, rising disposable income has resulted in increasing per capita health care expenditure, which has further led to a growing focus on health care, thereby increasing the demand for invisible braces specifically among the adult population.

While the market has witnessed a strong foothold in North America and Europe, rapid growth in the demand for invisible braces is expected to be fuelled by the emerging markets in Asia Pacific and Latin America through India and Brazil, whereas rising dental tourism in Mexico and Thailand will continue to contribute towards the invisible braces market.

Among the leading companies operating in the market are Align Technology, Ormco, DENTSPLY International, 3M and ClearCorrect. The 152-page report, titled “Global invisible braces market: Trends, opportunities and forecasts (2016–2021)”, was published on 1 February. It can be purchased at www.rnrmarketresearch.com.

Barcelona forum invites professionals to witness the future of orthodontics

The 2016 European Carriere Symposium, presented by Henry Schein Orthodontics, will take place from 22 to 24 September in Barcelona in Spain, at the five-star seaside hotel W Barcelona. Designed by world-famous architect Richard Bofill and shaped like a large mirrored sail, the spectacular venue is situated on the coastline with direct access to the beach and boasts 360° panoramic views.

Under the theme of “The future of orthodontics”, the highly-anticipated premier event will feature lectures on the most progressive topics in today’s orthodontic industry. The programme will begin with a welcome reception and dinner, an opportunity for participants to meet and socialise with speakers and other dentists who are attending. Dr Luis Carriere will present a paper titled “Innovations in self-ligation orthodontics” and will discuss the many benefits of Carriere Motion appliances.

The programme chairman, Dr David Paquette, will give a lecture titled “An inside view of orthodontic products of the future”. Additional featured symposium speakers will include a host of visionaryaries in the field, such as Drs Sean Carlson, Louis Chamura, Scott Frey, Francesco Garcia and John Kaku.

As testimony to the relevance and value of the European Carriere Symposium, after last year’s event, attendee Dr Zvi Kennet praised the symposium “The clinical presentations were excellent and I was surprised at how much I learnt despite the fact that I was already a Carriere Motion user. I can’t wait to implement the new procedures based on what I have learnt this weekend. Great job in organizing the meeting!”

“We’ve brought together some of the best, most progressive minds in orthodontics today for this enlightening event,” remarked Don Tuttle, Vice President and General Manager of Henry Schein Orthodontics. “We look forward to joining our attending colleagues to share exciting ideas and solutions.”

Attendees are encouraged to arrive a day or two prior to the symposium to experience La Merce, a dazzling cultural event held each year in Barcelona. Throughout the week of 18–24 September, the city celebrates in honour of its patron saint, the Virgin of Mercy. On each day of this exciting festival, elaborate parades fill the streets with amazing paper mache giants, mythical creatures, fire runners, Castellers forming tall human castles, traditional drumming, and a synchronised musical fireworks display.

Dental professionals can register online and obtain more information at www.carrieresymposium.com. Those wishing to take part in La Merce are urged to register as soon as possible to secure hotel rooms for the earlier dates.

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World-class orthodontic experts to gather in Brighton

There will also be papers by a number of international experts, like Dr Adrian Becker from Israel and Prof. Hans-Peter Bantermann from Austria, as well as the best the UK has to offer in the field, including Prof. Anthony Ireland, who will be delivering the prestigious Northcroft lecture. Also presenting in Brighton will be Hertfordshire experimental psychologist Prof. Richard Wiseman. The congress will further see the introduction of a number of hands-on sessions called "skill studios", with limited attendance, which are a further development of the highly successful master classes.

According to the BOS, the programme for this year’s event has been developed with the entire dental team in mind. “We will be developing the successful team lectures focusing on some non-clinical skills of benefit to the whole team,” chairperson of the BOS organising committee Richard Jones said. “This includes Dr Guido Sampermans, a highly innovative and inspirational orthodontist from Vienna who shares his vision of the patient journey and how the whole team can work together to deliver this.”

More than 1,000 attendees are expected for the congress in September. As a first, it will be held alongside the Orthodontic Technicians Association’s annual conference. Registration will open during the course of this week on the BOS website at www.bos.org.uk. More information about the extensive programme can also be found there.

New ortho magazine launched

The orthodontic segment has grown significantly within the past 20 years owing to new technologies and products, as well as an increase in adult patients requesting orthodontic treatment. In response to this trend and to update dentists on the most significant developments in the field, Dental Tribune International (DTI) has added ortho—international magazine of orthodontics to its portfolio. The 2016 issue includes articles on clear aligners, vibration therapy and rapid maxillary expansion, as well as the latest product information and event previews.

The new high-gloss English-language magazine adopts an interdisciplinary approach involving orthodontics, oral surgery, periodontics and restorative dentistry, and aims to serve as an educational tool, providing comprehensive knowledge and information on the newest technology that can profitably be integrated into treatment concepts. The publication, which will be distributed at all major international orthodontic congresses and exhibitions, presents the latest research and case studies, as well as trends in procedures and techniques.

In order to connect with orthodontic specialists, the DTI team is scheduled to attend a number of orthodontic events around the globe in 2016, including the annual congress of the British Orthodontic Society in Brighton, which will take place between 23 and 25 June in Brighton in the UK; and the fourth Scientific Congress for Aligner Orthodontics, to be held on 18 and 19 November in Cologne in Germany. DTI will be providing comprehensive live coverage of these and other events on its website. In addition, e-newsletters about the respective events will be sent to orthodontists worldwide.

From 2017, a new issue of the ortho magazine will be published twice a year with a print run of 4,900 copies. An e-paper edition of the magazine is available free of charge via the DTI online print archive.