Inside special

By Sierra Rendon, today Staff

The weather outside may be frightful, but the AAP 104th Annual Meeting is truly delightful. No need to head outside as all the education, hands-on experiences, show specials and interaction opportunities will keep you enthralled (and warm) within walls of the Vancouver Convention Centre.

Presented in collaboration with the Canadian Academy of Periodontology,

Something for everyone

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There's no shortage of educational opportunities for you today, as the schedule is packed tight with a wide variety of topics and programs to please everyone.

Here's a small sampling of today's educational offerings:

- “Future Horizons in Periodontology: Peri-Implant Disease and Associated Regenerative Alternatives,” featuring Dr. Fernando Suarez Lopez del Amo, Dr. Sivaraman Prakasam and Dr. Kevin Matthew Byrd, from 10:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. in West 121-122.

- “Minimally Invasive Approaches for Multiple Tooth Recession,” featuring Dr. John Chao, Dr. Jim Janakievski and Dr. Homa H. Zadeh, from 10:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. in West 301-305.
- “Joint Pre- and Postdoctoral Educators Workshop: Findings from the World Workshop, A Perspective for Educators,” featuring Dr. Jack Caton and Dr. Henry Greenwell, from 1-3 p.m. in the East Ballroom A.B.
- “Implant Surgery and Prosthetic Rehabilitation” with moderator Dr. Nick Caplanis and speaker Dr. Joseph Y. Kan, from 2-4 p.m. in West Ballroom A-C.

- Dr. Burton Langer speaks on ‘Something Old, Something New: Avoiding the Things that Will Make You Blue’ looking toward ‘Periodontics for 2019’ in the West Ballroom Sunday morning. Langer was one of the first periodontists trained in osseointegration by Professor Per-Ingvar Brånemark in 1983. His development of new modalities of therapy, such as the early re-entry procedure for bone grafts, the ridge augmentation procedure, the subepithelial connective tissue graft and various flap procedures for implants, have become standard methods of treatment and are taught at dental schools throughout the world. (Photos/Sierra Rendon, today Staff)

- Dr. Purnima Kuma speaks on ‘To Kill or Not to Kill the Biofilm: The Art of Medicine in Periodontal Therapy’ on Sunday morning. (Photo/Sierra Rendon, today Staff)
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Dr. Istvan Urban answers questions following his session, ‘Predictable Vertical Ridge Augmentation,’ in the SpeakerStudio, booth No. 533.

A full schedule of hands-on demonstrations featuring the Trefoil system and X-Guide technology is on the agenda at the Nobel Biocare booth, No. 1101, this week. Here, Jamar Matthews offers Dr. Jerome Liberman an opportunity to test out X-Guide.

The Japanese Academy of Clinical Periodontology and the Japanese Society of Periodontology, this meeting is a global experience you will be glad you did not miss.

Here at the meeting, these four academies have collaborated to provide a wide range of presentations, all focused on the most current issues in periodontology and its treatment.

In addition to hearing a world-class roster of presenters, you will want to save some of your time to really explore the exhibit hall. More than 300 companies have come to Vancouver to present the newest products and services designed specifically to advance your practice.

Here are some highlights for your time in the exhibit hall:

- **Planmeca’s newest technology:** At booth No. 317, be sure to ask about the Planmeca Viso imaging system, which just launched this month. The Viso system includes 2-D, 3-D and optional cephalometric modalities, and it’s designed to capture outstanding images at a low patient dose. “When we started this project, our goal was to create a CBCT system that would offer a fluent workflow and adaptability for different patient sizes and indications — not to mention uncompromised image quality even at the lowest doses,” said Timo Müller, vice president of Planmeca’s X-ray division, in a pre-meeting statement. “I am happy to say that we have exceeded this goal.”

- **Member Resource Center:** Be sure to visit booth No. 927 where you can purchase AAP merchandise, including scrubs; learn about future meetings; take a complimentary headshot complete with hair and makeup touch-ups; enter a drawing for a chance to win $150 in free AAP merchandise; and try your hand at Canada’s favorite winter sport (hockey)!

- **Experience the VersaD difference:** VersaD, booth No. 417, offers implant clinicians an alternative to the use of standard drills to prepare dental implant osteotomies with Densah™ Bur Technology. Rather than excavating bone tissue, Densah Burs densify bone through a process known as osteodensification. This is a novel biomechanical bone preparation technique used to place a dental implant. Consistent osteotomies and densification are important to implant primary stability and early healing. Visit the booth for a hands-on opportunity.

- **Attention to detail:** Dentsply Sirona Implants’ SmartFix concept for the Astra Tech Implant System EV is designed with attention to the smallest details — creating innovations that make a big difference in helping you avoid workarounds, while achieving optimal outcomes for your fully edentulous patients. Find out more at booth No. 601.

- **Hands-on demonstrations:** The Nobel Biocare booth, No. 1101, has a schedule of demonstrations where you can test Trefoil™ and X-Guide™ out for yourself. Today’s sessions are at 10 a.m., 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.