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## International Association of Dental Traumatology

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### EDITORIAL

Many members may not be aware but our founder Jens Andreassen has not been well, suffering an intracranial bleeding episode following a fall which resulted in several surgical events. This has not been an easy time for Jens, but in his usual positive way, he has sent this message to members:

#### **Message from Jens Andreassen**

Dear IADT members,

Just a short note about a succesfull recovery after traumatic head injury. In January, I suffered a chronic subdural hematoma which first manifested in May where I lost concience. I was acute operated with evacuation of a large hematoma. That resulted in fast recovery and I am fully back on the track. The neurosurgeons advised me to restrict transatlantic travelling for some time so I will unfortunately not be able to participate in the IADT meeting in Rio. However, Eva Lauridsen and Søren Steno from our trauma group will be there. The work with the trauma guide will soon be finished. We are now working hard to include fully the primary dentition.

Best regards,  
**Jens**

#### **Conferences**

By the time this newsletter arrives on your desk, the conference in Rio de Janeiro will be over and we can now look forward to the next International Conferences in Istanbul, Turkey in 2014 and Sydney, Australia in 2016...more details in the next newsletter.

#### **Membership**

IADT is always ready to welcome new members. For those readers who would like to become members, an application form can be found at the end of this newsletter. Feel free to fill it out and Fax or mail it to us or better still log on to the website and follow the prompts.

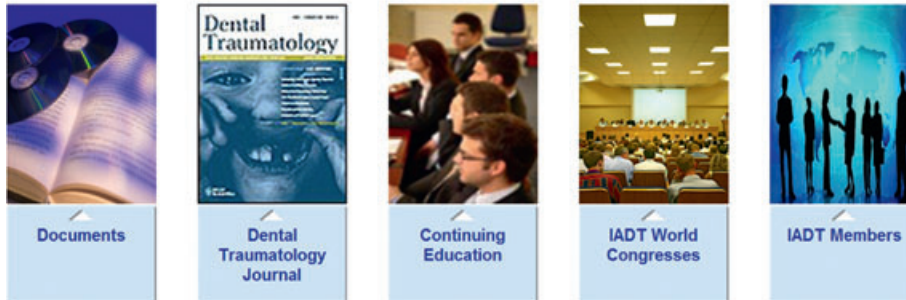
**Do Join and support this Association and help promote the prevention, research and treatment services in dental traumatology around the globe.**

We would love to have you aboard! Membership includes both electronic and printed subscription to Dental Traumatology and of course access to the member section of the website which is highlighted next in this newsletter.

## What's new with the web page?

**New! Member Thumbnail links** Check it out and see what's new!

**Members Only...** [link to thumbnail titles below to view information](#)



**Documents** - IADT Bylaws and IADT Articles of Incorporation are located here

**Dental Traumatology Journal** - Link here to *Dental Traumatology* where you can view online past and current issues of DT, and Promotional Codes for discounts on texts.

**Continuing Education** - This page is dedicated to worldwide Dental Trauma meetings and lectures. As members, you are encouraged to submit details of programs within their region. Submit program information to: [iadt@iadt-dentaltrauma.org](mailto:iadt@iadt-dentaltrauma.org)

**IADT World Congresses** - Information on IADT World Congresses is posted here.

**IADT Members Link** - Look here to "Find an IADT Member" and to see our Membership Roster - colleagues and patients will now be able to find IADT members around the world and review current contact information. Only those members who are **paid in full and acknowledge their approval to post information** will be posted. So keep current with dues and support your Association. Patients who call the office seeking information on IADT members are referred to this page. Hover cursor over "more info" for member details. **Log-in to your personal "Member Page"**. **On second tab "Login Info", check box to post your information on "Find an IADT Member"**.

**New! Member Certificates** - Members may now download their current year membership certificate. **Log-in to your personal "Member Page"**. **First page "Overview" find the "Download IADT Certificate"**.

**New! Upload your Photo** - Members can upload a photograph of themselves to include on their member page. If you also elected to post your information for public viewing, under "Resources" and "Find an IADT Member", your photo will appear when someone selects "More Info". **Log-in to your personal "Member Page"**. **Go to "Photos" tab, upload your photo. Make sure your filename is in lowercase .jpg**

Alex Moule, Australia

Editor-in-Chief, IADT Newsletter

Please become a member  
or renew your membership to show your support to the IADT.

## Report from the Executive Director



This has been a very busy year for the IADT. You are all aware of the change in office administration where day-to-day activities are now taken care of by RES, Inc., a professional company in San Diego, California. RES, under the leadership of Eben Yancey and ably assisted by Lynn Reeves and Nicole Bengtsson, manages other professional organizations of similar size to ours and provides leadership in planning and organizing professional meetings.

Several improvements in administrative areas have taken place:

- The IADT website has undergone major improvements and updating, something we expect to continue to put in place. Along with an improved logo on the website, you can find sites that are easy to identify and access. Most recently the revised and updated trauma guidelines have been inserted. These will be continuously updated as new evidence dictate possible modifications in recommendations.
- We plan additional sections in the website such as member-only access to presentations on various dental trauma-related topics.
- Membership renewals this year were done in a more efficient way than in many previous years, where the tasks in recording and handling payments were done more manually. Having put a lot of effort and time into that task in the past, I can tell you the change has been welcome!
- With the help of Lynn at the central office it has been possible to respond to membership questions in a timely fashion. You will find that if you have any questions she will get back to you very quickly.

We are currently in the process of planning CE courses in Dental Traumatology in various geographical areas to provide opportunities for members and other dentists interested in Traumatology to attend seminars and improve their theoretical knowledge and clinical skills.

Under the leadership of Dr. Alex Moule, a Fellowship program in Dental Traumatology is in its final planning stage and will be announced soon.

We are glad to report that Dr. Jens Andreasen is recovering quite well after a recent event of cranial bleeding following an accident. We wish him well.

With all best wishes,

**Leif K. Bakland, DDS**

Executive Director

## Message from the president



By the time this newsletter is published, the IADT World Congress will have been held in Rio de Janeiro in Brazil. Our heartfelt thanks must go to all those who made this event possible and the many hours they spent in getting the event together.

As I reflect on our last International Conference, I also reflect on the amazing development of our Association since it was started a little bit more than two decades ago, from a “family association” of a group of trauma interested researchers who gathered on a boat from Sweden to Finland to this world organization. On that boat trip we discussed the need for an organization for dental traumatology, since this field was not a dental specialty and therefore did not have the advantages of neither national nor international specialist organizations developing the field.

The great thing with dental traumatology is that it is not limited to one specialty. Instead, when colleagues interested in traumatology meet we have fruitful multi-disciplinary discussions in which specialists in all specialties and general dentists participate. This is the strength and fascinating thing with our field. One specialty could never have developed dental traumatology to the standard we have today.

One of the first things we did two decades ago was to start a scientific journal. We considered that a journal devoted to our topic was a prerequisite for our strong development of dental traumatology based on science. Our journal, *Dental Traumatology*, today has a high standing in the dental scientific literature and has now developed into the journal of first choice in which to publish traumatology research.

Another important development has been the writing of guidelines for the emergency situation and the IADT guidelines are seen as the gold standard of treatment worldwide.

And finally, the internet has contributed to further development of our ability to spread our mission worldwide. The IADT web page and the Dental Trauma Guide are some of the most visited web pages by dentists today. The increase in the number of visitors to these web pages is truly amazing, and I have been told by so many colleagues that they appreciate that this information can be accessed even from a mobile telephone for the benefit of patient in the emergency situation anywhere in the world.

No textbook or manual can reach out like Internet and this medium has enabled us to access information and communicate like never before in dental traumatology.

It has been an amazing development over two decades, and this is only the beginning. We have further areas to develop. The future is exciting. I invite you to become involved.

**Lars Andersson**

President

# The Dental Trauma Guide

Your tool to evidence based traumatology



The only predictable thing about accidents is that they happen. Indeed, roughly one-half of the world's population will suffer dental trauma of some kind. The many possible combinations of fractures and luxations make the diagnostic process difficult. Successful healing outcomes are often intimately linked to emergency treatment, to correctly evaluating clinical factors, and to making the right treatment decisions.

Most IADT members will be aware of the value of the **Dental trauma Guide** in helping to make these treatment decisions. For readers who are not, a brief explanation of the guide is below:

In collaboration with researchers at the Copenhagen University Hospital and our Association, Jens Andreasen and his team have created a website dedicated to improving the general knowledge and understanding of Dental Traumatology. Access to the website [www.dentaltraumaguide.org](http://www.dentaltraumaguide.org) is free of charge. Treatment recommendations in the *Guide* are also based on the **Treatment Guidelines developed by IADT**, which can be accessed on [www.iadt-dentaltrauma.org](http://www.iadt-dentaltrauma.org)

The Guide can be used to quickly verify diagnosis, and gain advice in regard to treatment and follow-up for patients with dental trauma. It can also be used as teaching material for dental education. Many dental schools use the *Guide* as part of their curriculum. The illustrations and the many treatment animations give easy user-friendly insight into the complex world of dental traumatology.

Using the Dental Trauma Guide, practitioners can get an overview of the predicted healing outcome for patients in an easily accessible format.



The **front page** serves as an introduction to the site. Horizontal drop-down menus describe the guide, examination procedures and allow selection of permanent or primary tooth information. A vertical menu bar on the left allows viewers to select information on specific injury types, from the simplest concussive injury to the more severe dental injuries and then to alveolar fractures. Clicking on each injury type listed on the left menu reveals detailed descriptive treatment suggestions and prognostic information based on the type of injury and the stage of development of the injured tooth. Headings include description, aetiology, diagnosis, treatment and prognosis. A list of relevant reference material is provided also.





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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2012

New Application     Renewal

Family / Last name \_\_\_\_\_  Dr.     Prof.  
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Professional degree(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Dental Specialty \_\_\_\_\_

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- US \$ 170 Membership – Includes both electronic and printed subscription to *Dental Traumatology*
- US \$ 80 Membership only
- US \$ 40 Student membership; no subscription

Membership dues may be paid by check drawn on a US bank and payable to IADT, or you may pay by bank credit card.

**Payment Method:**     Check Enclosed

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