Editorial

Best wishes to IADT for 2015. This year celebrates the 25th anniversary of the foundation of IADT and we are going to celebrate throughout the year. Leif Bakland, Jens Andreasen and Lars Andersson have collaborated to document the journey of IADT over the past 25 years. Part 1 of the history is included in this newsletter, and our thanks to each of them for the opportunity to acknowledge the contributions of various individuals who have made IADT such a dynamic organization since its inception. Part 2 will be included in the next newsletter.

Many thanks also to Alex Moule who has done such a stellar job with the newsletter to date and who continues to share his expertise. I hope to be able to continue the high standard he has set. I would like the newsletter to inform and bond the Traumatology community together across the world. Thanks also to Mohamed Said for his help in this newsletter.

Anne O’Connell
IADT Newsletter Editor

Help celebrate this 25th anniversary year by sharing your experiences and photographs via this newsletter.
This is my last report as President of IADT. The work has been characterized by happiness, as it always is when working with a great team and success is created in a positive environment. I would like to thank everyone for 4 great years during which we have seen steady progress in achieving our goals. I have highlighted some of the milestones below.

- IADT is now a true global association with increasing membership. Such a large association requires a professional structure and three years ago we contracted with our administrative office RES to take IADT to a higher professional level. A committee structure was set up which distributed work and responsibilities with the aim to involve colleagues outside the board of directors. I am so happy to see many active young members contributing to the development of IADT as a professional organization.

- The Information committee has improved the IADT web site and our guidelines and information material has been translated to many languages. Our Education committee has published education material on our web page. We have been working with the standardized trauma glossary so we will speak the same language within the trauma community. IADT is also on Facebook over one year with more than 3000 members.

- The IADT Fellowship is another exciting and important milestone in our development providing special recognition in dental traumatology. The Fellowship is currently being launched. The Research committee has recently started work to define a core outcome set for traumatic dental injuries.

- New IADT guidelines for emergency treatment were published two years ago after hardwork in the committees. A milestone was achieved when our guidelines were endorsed by American Association of Endodontists and American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. Our guidelines have been translated to many languages and are today considered the world standard of care in dental traumatology.

- Two very successful World Congresses have been arranged in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in 2012 and in Istanbul, Turkey in 2014, both with 600-700 participants. IADT speakers have been invited to speak at several other trauma meetings worldwide.

- The cooperation between IADT and the Dental Trauma Guide team in Copenhagen has been strengthened and this great team has arranged annual trauma conferences with many IADT speakers and IADT members attending.

- IADT is now celebrating 25 years since we started! It has been an amazing development over this quarter of a century since Dr Jens Andreasen took the initiative to form IADT on a boat trip between Stockholm and Helsinki in 1989. I was one of the invited young researchers on that boat trip. It has been amazing to follow the development from the very start of this small group of individuals, passionate about dental traumatology, to a true global association thanks to hardwork of committed colleagues world wide.

CONGRATULATIONS, IADT

I am now passing the baton to the new president, Alexander Moule, with whom I have been privileged to work. I am convinced Alex will do an excellent job and I wish him and his great team of officers, directors and all IADT members the very best success. Happiness is working in a positive environment in a great group of people!

Sincerely
Lars Andersson
President
MEET THE NEW EXECUTIVE

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Kuwait

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Lars Andersson
Kuwait

NEW FACE ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Anne O’Connell has recently been appointed to the Board of Directors of IADT. Anne states that she is delighted to contribute to IADT, an organization that continues to raise awareness of dental trauma across the world. It is an exciting time especially with the introduction of the Fellowship in Traumatology. Recognizing and rewarding the world leaders in traumatology by awarding the Fellowship is long overdue.

“I hope that colleagues across many dental specialties will continue to be encouraged to collaborate and share both knowledge and expertise among ourselves and to disseminate this information across all sectors of the community to improve outcomes for the injured patient.”

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW LIFE MEMBERS

In accord with the by-laws, the following have been elected to life membership

Dr. Barbro Malmgren, Sweden
Dr. Olle Malmgren, Sweden
Dr. Damaso Caprioglio, Italy

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PART I: THE BEGINNING AND THE WORLD CONGRESSES

Leif K. Bakland, Jens Ove Andreasen, Lars Andersson

The idea to form a multidisciplinary international association of dentists interested in dental trauma took shape during a meeting of Scandinavian researchers traveling to a mini-symposium on a cruise ship from Stockholm to Helsinki in February, 1989. Dr. Jens Ove Andreasen discussed ideas for promoting research and education in dental trauma with his colleagues. Among those present were Drs. Frances Andreasen, Miomir Cvek, Lars Andersson, Barbro Malmgren, Ingeborg Jacobsen, Annika Skoglund, Lars Kristersson, Bengt Mohlin, Seppo Järvinen, and Ake Nygren. During this weekend of brainstorming and discussions they concluded that there was a need to start a world association to promote all aspects of dental traumatology. With the help of Dr. Nygren from the Swedish insurance company Folksam, plans were initiated for an International Conference on Oral Trauma in Stockholm. The International Association of Dental Traumatology (IADT) was formed during that conference on September 21, 1989 in Stockholm. An important document was adopted at this conference called the Stockholm Manifesto on Accident Prevention, which stated that “all human beings have an equal right to health and safety.” That document formed the basis for the IADT’s goal of bringing together international health care providers with an interest in dental traumatology. The stated mission of the IADT is to promote optimal prevention and treatment services through education and research. The target groups are dental and medical colleagues, interested parties in education, sports, industry, appropriate governmental agencies, and the public. The first officers and directors elected at the Stockholm conference were: Drs. J.O. Andreasen (President), I. Jacobsen (Vice-President), O. Sjöström (Secretary-Treasurer), and B. Ericsson, M. Cvek, Å. Nygren, L. Hammarström, K. Olkarinen, L. Tronstad, B. Scheer, A. Kaufmann, M. Matsumoto (Directors). These leaders and many others since then have guided the IADT into becoming a strong multidisciplinary international organization promoting an important component of health care worldwide.

THE WORLD CONGRESSES

The International Conference in 1984 was sponsored by the American Association of Endodontists (AAE) in Dallas, Texas, USA, November 8-10, 1984 (3). Co-sharing the congress were Drs. James Gutmann and Paul Radman. The interest in dental trauma within the AAE exemplified by the sponsorship of this congress has continued and the IADT and the AAE have maintained a strong relationship based on the mutual interest in trauma.

Conference organizers: 1984

Back row:
P. Radman, L. K. Bakland, J. Ludington Jr., and J. Gutmann.

Front row:
C. D. Torneck, H. R. Stanley, H. Gerstein, and J. W. Harrison.
The Second International Conference was thus the conference mentioned above in Stockholm in 1989 (1,2). The Third International Conference on Dental Trauma was held in Copenhagen, Denmark in June 1991, organized by Drs. Jens Ove and Frances Andreasen. It was truly international with speakers from all over the world: Brazil, Chile, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Holland, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Norway, Sweden, and USA, with more than 140 attendees from 22 countries (4). The pre-congress course was introduced and remains a feature of each World Congress. Dr. Frances Andreasen, with her background in graphic arts, also introduced a very popular innovation – the ‘Harald Blue Tooth Diploma’ – as certificate of attendance.

The 4th Congress was in London in June 1993 and chaired by Dr. Barry Scheer. While these congresses deal with serious dental and medical issues, there is always room for some light-hearted activities; in this case, the IADT president, Jens Ove Andreasen was given the honor of being ‘knighted’ with the ‘Order of the Garter’ during the congress banquet (right).

The Fifth World Congress on Dental Traumatology took place in sunny California in October, 1994. Co-sponsored by the IADT and the California State Association of Endodontists, it was focused on the theme of ‘Treatment Decisions in Dental Trauma’. One of the many highlights of the congress was the awarding of a certificate of appreciation to long-time trauma pioneer, Dr. Miomir Cvek. The congress chair was Dr. Leif K. Bakland who made sure there were more than one Leif attending as well (see below).
Three participants of the 5th Congress with the names of Leif:

Drs. Leif Linge, Leif Tronstad and Leif K. Bakland.

In 1995, the Sixth World Congress on Dental Trauma took place in Tokyo, Japan with Dr Koukichi Matsumoto as chair, with 400 dentists from 20 countries.

Florence, Italy was the site of the Seventh World Congress on Dental Trauma in 1996. The congress was cosponsored by the IADT and the IADT-Italy organizations under the chairmanship of Dr. Damaso Caprioglio, Over 530 dentists from 35 countries attended.

Guarujá (near São Paulo), Brazil, became the host site for the Eight World Congress on Dental Trauma in 1997. Prevention and education was the theme of the conference, which was chaired by Drs. Abilio de Moura and Harry Davidowicz.

GROWING INTEREST IN DENTAL TRAUMA INTERNATIONALLY

8th Dental Traumatology Continuing Education Course
Shenyang Liaoning, China
November 21–23, 2014

More than 150 specialists and general dentists interested in traumatic dental injuries attended the 8th Dental Traumatology Continuing Education Course in Shenyang Liaoning. Dentists and students gathered to listen to ten speakers from 5 different Chinese Universities discuss dental traumatology. The speakers promoted membership in the IADT, which has a growing presence in this country.

The universities were: Stomatology Hospital of Capital Medical University, Stomatology Hospital of China Medical University, School of Stomatology of the Fourth Military Medical University, Stomatology Hospital of Beijing University, and Sir Run Run Show Hospital, Zhejiang University.

Speakers and conference leaders

Front row left to right: Drs. Ying Zhang, Yi Gong, Ai Ping Ji, Wan Dong Li, LiLu, YingJin Chen.

Back row left to right: Drs. Lieping Sheng, XinZhang, Qian Wen Ding, Yan Li Liu.

PLANS FOR DENTAL TRAUMA CONFERENCE IN IRAN
Mashad, Iran 7-9 Oct 2015. For details contact m_sh_nezami@yahoo.com.
SAVE THE DATE: 11-14 AUG, 2016

18th IADT World Congress on Dental Traumatology and
5th Trans Tasman Endodontic Conference

BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA

Our next world congress will be a joint conference with the Australian Society of Endodontology and the New Zealand Endodontic Society.

Brisbane is Australia's "most livable city," a hive of activity for shopping, dining, culture and nightlife. Striking historic buildings contrast beautifully with modern architecture contributing to the fantastic cityscape. Home of the cultural precinct featuring galleries, museums and theatres. Brisbane is also the gateway to the sun, surf and beaches of the Gold Coast and Sunshine Coast and a short flight to the Great Barrier Reef.

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

The Guidelines for Eligibility and the Curriculum and Study Guide have been published in the last two newsletters. These are also available on the website www.iadt-dentaltrauma.org. Applications for eligibility to sit the examination will open on February 1st 2015. You can apply online and will be accepted for examination when eligibility criteria are fulfilled. First examinations should be held in June 2015. The qualifying examination will be an online examination and details will be provided to candidates. The title of Fellow of the International Association of Dental Traumatology will be conferred on successful candidates. New Fellows will be recognized at the next world congress. The advantages of Fellowship are listed on our website. The Board has resolved to award Foundation Fellowship status for eminent and long standing members of the Association who meet eligibility criteria. Details will be advertised on the website and by email to members. Finally, this is my last note as Chairman of the Fellowship Committee, which has grown from a thought many years ago to a reality today. I hand over as Chairman to our new director, Anne O’Connell, who will steer the Fellowship process from now on.

Alex Moule
Chairman Fellowship Committee