



Message from Professor Richard Welbury, President, EAPD

The Board are pleased to welcome the first issue of the electronic Academy Newsletter which we hope to publish twice yearly. The purpose of the Newsletter is to keep members informed not only of current academic and political issues relating to the Academy but also of scientific and social events that we think members will be interested in. We are grateful to Verena Buerkle (vbuerkle@gmx.de) for taking on the role of Editor and ask you to send to her any items which you feel will be of interest to your colleagues throughout Europe.

Message from the Chairman of the EAPD Congress in Dubrovnik



Dear Colleagues,

The Organising Committee of the 9th Congress of the European Academy of Paediatric Dentistry (EAPD) wants to inform you of the oncoming congress to be held in Dubrovnik May 29th - June 1st 2008. We invite you to submit abstracts on line on any topic relevant to paediatric dentistry. February 29th 2008 will be the deadline for receipt of abstracts. We also invite you to book your accommodation on time. It is very hard to get a room in Dubrovnik during late spring and summer. Be advised that booking of accommodation by the

end of February 2008 is highly recommended. For more information on the EAPD Congress 2008 and for registration and accommodation booking, please visit our website: www.eapd2008.hr. For abstract submission, you need to link onto the website www.eapd.gr. We thank you in advance for your interest and hope to see you in Dubrovnik.

Yours sincerely, Professor Ilija Skrinjaric,
Chairman of the Organising Committee of EAPD Congress in Dubrovnik, Croatia.

Interim Editor's report on 2007

Report for the year 2007 (Volume 8). During the last calendar year 71 papers were submitted for consideration by the journal. This number does not include another 11 that were badly written or unsuitable for EAPD and were therefore not even logged in. The rejection rate of reviewed papers was 50% (32% in 2006). The average time between submission of a manuscript and the decision to accept, revise or reject, based on the reviewers' comments, was 8.3 weeks, range 4-21 weeks (11.6 weeks, range 3-21 in 2006). Correspondingly, the mean time from first submission to publication was 5.9 months (range 1-11months). These

time periods are an improvement on 2006 because we were able to publish an additional 48 pages as a supplement.

In the four issues of the EAPD in volume 8 there were 44 papers (31 in 2006) published as well as the abstracts for the Congress held in Amsterdam, in June, 2006. Thus, there were 276 pages printed, also an increase over previous years.

A more extensive report will be presented at the EAPD General Assembly to be held at the Congress in Dubrovnik in May.

Prof. Martin Curzon received award from the University of Rochester

The Eastman Dental Center, University of Rochester celebrated 90 years of postgraduate education in 2007. Over the years many young dentists have been educated at EDC, many in paediatric dentistry. Professor Martin Curzon was named 'Distinguished Alumnus' and his citation read 'Awarded for a Career as mentor and advisor for graduates and postgraduates in dentistry'.



Seen in the picture Martin is presented with the award by Prof. Bejan Iranpour (centre, Chairman of the awards committee) and Prof. Cyril Meyerowitz (Director, EDC).

EAPD board meeting in Harrogate

The EAPD Board met in Harrogate, Yorkshire, on the weekend of 16, 17 18 November. The purpose of the meeting was not only to discuss EAPD issues but also to visit the proposed venues for the EAPD Scientific Meeting in 2010. The first three hours of the Board meeting on Friday evening were in the White Hart Hotel Harrogate but after the visit to Ripley Hall on Saturday morning the remainder of Saturday was spent conducting business in the dining room of Martin and Anne Curzon's house on Galphay. We are very grateful to them for their hospitality including an excellent buffet on Saturday lunchtime.



The EAPD Board members during the meeting

The EAPD Scientific Meeting in 2010 is to be combined with the British Society of Paediatric Dentistry Annual Scientific Meeting and the Harrogate Conference Centre is an impressive venue for the scientific sessions with plenty of room to meet all our purposes. The Spa Town of Harrogate has a large choice of accommodation over all price ranges which will prove ideal for all our

members. One unique feature of potential accommodation will be the ability to request family accommodation in cottages and houses both in Harrogate and the nearby countryside. This should make it possible for members to combine the conference with a family holiday if they wish. Harrogate has an excellent range of shops and tea rooms which will make it an attractive venue for accompanying persons.

Ripley Hall in the village of Ripley just a few miles from Harrogate centre will be the venue for the evening gala dinner. Ripley Hall is set in its own riverside grounds and featured prominently in the Civil War in England around the 1650's. The evidence of gunshot damage is still to be found in the stone masonry of its buildings. Visitors will have access to the beautiful riverside grounds of Ripley Hall when they attend the gala dinner. One issue of Board business was the EAPD chain of office. The EAPD insignia will be held by a chain that will include coins of all the original member countries. (Photo)



Report from the meeting of the "Association of Paediatric Dentistry in Israel " held on December 20th and 21st 2007

Good news from Israel:

The 20./21. of December 2007 **The Israeli Society of Dentistry for Children** held a two day congress about Preventive Dentistry with two international speakers:

Professor Svante Twetman

Department of Cariology and Endodontics, Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark

Professor Ingegerd A Mejare

Department of Paediatric Dentistry, Faculty of Odontology , Malmö University, Sweden.

The lectures held in English by Professor Svante Twetman were:

1. *Prevention of ECC*
2. *Evidence-based dentistry can you trust science?*
3. *Caries prevention in childhood is it only fluoride that works?*

The lectures held in English by Professor Ingegerd A Mejare were:

1. *Radiographic studies on caries progression at approximal surfaces in adolescents*
2. *High risk strategy versus population strategy for caries prevention in children and adolescents.*
3. *The role of fissure sealants*

In addition in Hebrew a very comprehensive lecture from Dr. Evelyn Mamber:

Breastfeeding and Early Childhood Caries! The role of the paediatric dentist in breastfeeding counselling.

And also in Hebrew Prof. Benny Peretz talked about: *Conventional radiographs and their digital images:is the information preserved?*



The picture is showing the immediate past president **Dr. Limor Afek** and the newly elected president **Dr. Lior Herteanu** of the Israeli Society of Dentistry for Children.

Now that we have a Newsletter, maybe for future conventions with English speaking lecturers some of the members of the EAPD are interested to combine it with a visit to our interesting country.

See you in Dubrovnik,
Dr. Karin Ziskind, Jerusalem

Upcoming events:

Second Austrian spring congress in paediatric dentistry in Salzburg

On april 18th and 19th the **Austrian Association of Paediatric Dentistry** will hold their second spring congress in "Schloss Klessheim" in Salzburg.



The City of Salzburg

The Friday will be a full day of lectures, whereas seminars will be held on Saturday morning. Invited speakers are: Dr. Hubertus van Waes from Switzerland who will be speaking about traumatology, Prof. Dr. Svante Twetman from Denmark will update everyone on early childhood caries and its prevention, Prof. Dr. Roland Frankenberger from Germany will lecture about composites in primary teeth, Prof. Dr. Peter Städtler will talk about caries diagnosis. on top of that there are many more interesting lectures come. The three seminars on Saturday will cover traumatology (van Waes), organization of a paediatric dental office (Dr. Curt Goho) and early orthodontic treatment (Dr. Günter Seifert).

There is also a program for dental assistants on the Friday.

On Friday evening we will have a get-together party in a typical Austrian restaurant with live music.

The congress language is German.



Dr. Nicola Meißner, Dr. Hubertus van Waes and Dr. Verena Bürkle at last years evening event of the congress

All colleagues are invited to submit abstracts for poster presentations, There is a 300€ prize for the best poster appointed by the auditorium.

Further information and registration forms can be found on www.kinderzahnmedizin.at

Dr. Verena Bürkle, Salzburg