

BRITISH DENTAL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION

**BDJ Pick: Simon Harvey**

Mr Simon C. Harvey will be speaking at this year's British Dental Conference and Exhibition on *Are we all looking at the same thing? CBCT and digital imaging*, a core CPD topic.

Simon is a senior Specialist Registrar in Dental and Maxillofacial Radiology based at Guy's Hospital in London and holds an Honorary

Lecturer position at King's College London. He worked in OMFS, general practice (private and NHS) and oral surgery before entering radiology.

Conference 2017

Simon will be discussing digital imaging and how it can integrate smoothly into your practice and improve your treatments. This includes CBCT and how to use this technique effectively. Simon says: 'Film radiography will become more and more obsolete as it has done in medicine, so we need to know how to maximise digital imaging techniques. CBCT training is all postgraduate based and this lecture complements your CBCT training portfolio'. The session is primarily aimed at dentists.

What is Simon looking forward to seeing at conference this year?

'The innovation from manufacturers interests me, so it will be nice to see the new products on the market. I always like speaking to practitioners using CBCT after lectures.'

Plans for 2017

'I am currently writing a second book with my co-author Shanon Patel and a group of international experts on the use of CBCT in dentistry. It will be a great resource with a strong evidence base but written by clinicians for clinicians. I lecture on dentistry in the developing world at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine with the charity Teeth Relief which is a charity I encourage dentists to engage with. They do some fantastic things.'

Simon will be speaking from 12:30-13:30 on Thursday 25 May in Charter Room 1 at the British Dental Conference and Exhibition in Manchester. To register and download the programme, visit www.bda.org/conference.

Applications invited for research funding

The Eklund Foundation for Dental Research and Education will distribute €160k to selected research projects for the second year running, following the success of the four dental research projects they supported in 2016.

The Eklund Foundation was set up in 2015 by the Eklund family, owners of Swedish oral hygiene company TePe. Its primary aim is to support research and education within the odonatalogical field.

Open to applicants from all fields of dentistry, the Eklund Foundation will particularly prioritise projects that can be related to periodontology, implantology, and cariology in both experimental and clinical studies.

Applications will be accepted through the online portal during 1-31 May 2017 and the successful candidates will be announced in autumn 2017. For more information, visit www.eklundfoundation.org.

Packed house for endodontic meeting



On 11 March 2017, the British Endodontic Society (BES) held its annual Spring Scientific Meeting at the Institution of Civil Engineers in London to a packed house of over 230 delegates including general and specialist practitioners, clinical academics and dental students. Together with those from the UK, delegates came from Dubai, France, Oman, Jordan, Hong Kong, Greece, Ireland, the Netherlands and the USA.

The programme for the day consisted of keynote lectures from leading experts, the presidential ceremony, presentation of prizes and the prestigious lifetime contribution to the specialty award. There was also a trade exhibition and opportunities for networking.

Outgoing President Mike Waplington handed over the Chains of Office to B. S. Chong, the Society's new President.

The first keynote speaker was Dr Hal Duncan from Trinity College, Dublin, whose presentation was entitled 'New visions for the vital pulp – do we need to keep digging a hole for ourselves?' This was followed by Dr Christos Boutsoukis from ACTA, The Netherlands, who spoke on 'Root canal irrigation – current focus and challenges'.

After a lunch break, Professor Josette Camilleri from Malta covered 'Current concepts and future directions in root canal obturation'.

The final presentation, 'Surgical endodontics – the limits of understanding and achievement' was given by Professor Bill Saunders, Dean of the Royal College of Surgeons in Edinburgh. Before starting his presentation, the Society surprised Professor Saunders by presenting him with a certificate of appreciation in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the specialty of endodontics.

Dafydd G. Roberts

We are sad to announce that Dafydd G. Roberts died on 5 March 2017 aged 98. Dafydd was President of the British Dental Association in 1979 and was a Vice President of the BDA Benevolent Fund.