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Society News

Spring Scientific Meeting 17th-18th April 2013

The Spring Scientific Meeting was held in the Education Centre at University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust. At this meeting Jane Luker took over as President of the Society from Fiona Carmichael.

Fiona Carmichael being presented with her Past President badge by Jane Luker

Alastair Miller kicked off the afternoon session and gave his personal view of dental postgraduate education. This was followed by the BSDMFR undergraduate award winners’ presentation. This was given by cousins, Roshni and Nimi Malde. They presented 'A research study investigating the ability of dentists to identify normal anatomy on cone beam computed tomography images: a cross-sectional study'. They
found that interpretation of CBCT imaging improves with further training and clinical experience. They concluded that there is a benefit in introducing CBCT training as part of the undergraduate teaching programme and/or as part of Continued Professional Development for qualified dentists. This was a deserved winner of the award and Nimi and Roshni should be encouraged to get the study published.

The meeting incorporated the last peer review organised by John Rout. The consensus meeting is often a lively debate and this year was no exception, but everyone agrees this part of the meeting is an excellent learning experience. At the end of the session John was thanked for all his hard work in running peer review and was presented with a small memento by the President as recognition for his efforts. The mantle of running peer review has now been passed on to Becky Davies who I am sure will do an excellent job.

The Society Dinner was held in the Bakers Hall at Raymond Blanc’s Brasserie. During drinks the Ambling band entertained everyone with popular tunes played (loudly) on brass instruments and drums. The band comprised many members of Bristol NHS management staff and it was certainly a very enjoyable start to a great evening.
The following day Ceri Hughes and Chris Bell gave excellent talks on thyroid surgery/imaging and Bisphosphonate related osteonecrosis respectively. The Scientific Meeting also included *An Update on CBCT* given by Professor Keith Horner. It was interesting to hear Keith’s thoughts following the publication of the Sedentex CT guidelines back in 2011. The last talk of the morning was given by Julian Kabala on imaging of head and neck cancer. In the afternoon Dr Sarah Mungall gave a very informative talk on TB which was followed by a presentation by Becky Davies on the ultrasound features of TB nodes. This was particularly useful as TB seems to be an increasing presentation of a neck lump in many centres in the UK.

In the last session the winners of the BSDMFR travels awards presented the presentations that had given in ECDMFR Leipzig. This was followed by the case presentations. The best case presentation was awarded to Rosalyn Clarkson for her talk on central dislocation of the mandibular condyle in the middle cranial fossa. The spring scientific meeting was a great success and received very positive feedback from everyone who attended.
**Radiographers forum**

The Radiographer’s Forum at the Bristol BSDMFR meeting was a very informal affair. We discussed the challenges of a user-friendly infection control system for intra-oral phosphor plates; the employment in x-ray departments of dental nurses with radiography certificates and quality assurance for CBCT units. With just six radiographers able to attend, the breadth of experience we could share was limited, but it is always a good opportunity to get together with others in our small speciality. We finished the afternoon with a tour of the department at Bristol Dental Hospital.

**BSDMFR study day 16th November 2013**

The Autumn BSDMFR study day was held again held at Austin Court Birmingham and was heavily subsidised by the Society. The day was devoted to education and was attended by 60 delegates. The day was introduced by Dr Jane Luker who outlined the requirements of dental radiography and dental radiography as specified in the GDC document ‘Preparing for Practice’. Sheila Oliver, Director of feedback and assessment at the School of dentistry Cardiff then gave a very comprehensive overview of learning and assessment. Jos Sewell and Alison Menhinick both described how undergraduate radiography teaching is delivered in their dental schools. Eric Whaites identified areas in the current BSDMFR curriculum that needed addressing. He was particularly concerned that in the interpretation part of the current curriculum we were not emphasising normal radiographic anatomy enough, as it is only when ‘normal’ is understood could abnormal features be recognised and an appropriate referral made. Graham Hart who is a recent member of the society raised concerns about the dentists in general practice adhering to IRR99. At the end of the day we were educated by John Rout who demonstrated the
normal appearance of the maxillary antrum and coronoid process along with normal variation and important diseases. This was another excellent study day and everyone agreed that changes were required to the delivery of undergraduate teaching. Thanks to Jonathan Davies for organising the day.

The speakers at the BSDMFR Study Day. Back row (from left to right): John Rout, Eric Whaites, Jonathan Davies. Front row (from left to right): Jos Sewell, Alison Menhinick, Jane Luker, Graham Hart and Sheila Oliver.

**GDC CPD requirements**

The GDC had asked for comment regarding CPD requirements. Currently the GDC state that for a dentist they recommend at least 5 hours in 'radiography and radiation protection' in every CPD cycle. A small working group had proposed that the CPD requirements should be 3 hours in areas directly related to IR(ME)R and 2/3 hours in other subject areas such as new imaging modalities and interpretation. This view would be sent to the GDC for consideration.

**Retirements from the Society**

Dr Vivian Rushton and Mr Colin Cook have retired and were awarded Life membership to the Society. Life membership is conferred upon a member who has made a significant contribution to the Society. Vivian has been secretary to the Society and Colin has been a council
member in the past. The Society wishes to thank them both for their hard work and wish them well in their retirement.

**Congratulations to:**

- Suk Ng who took up the substantive post of Consultant in Dental & Maxillofacial Radiology at King’s Health partners on 1st September 2012.
- Jonathan Davies regarding his recent appointment to Senior Lecturer/Honorary consultant in Dental and Maxillofacial Radiology at the University of Manchester.
- Freya Smith-Jack, Rosalyn Clarkson and Kirstyn Donaldson who took up their StR posts in Dental and Maxillofacial Radiology in Bristol, Leeds and Dundee/Glasgow respectively.
- Chris Greenall for winning the BSHNI prize for best presentation.

**Report from IADMFR, Bergen, Norway**

The 19th International Congress of Dento-maxillo-facial Radiology was held in Bergen, Norway from 22nd-27th June 2013. Many BSDMFR members attended the congress and by all accounts was a great success.

*The City of Bergen*
The pre-congress course comprised a symposia on ‘the role of the maxillofacial radiologist in the future’ and was chaired by Lennart Flygare. The symposium was held in Flam and the day involved travelling on trains, boats and buses. The experience included a train ride on the famous Flam Railway.

The main congress included 11 invited speakers from all over the world including Keith Horner talking about the evidence base for CBCT in dental diagnosis. Of the other speakers the highlights were a talk by Dr Heidi Eggeso on imaging of the paranasal sinuses and Professor Annika Isberg who gave a very eloquent talk on TMJ disease.

Rose Ngu hosted a Junior versus senior image viewing session which was an interactive quiz involving the use of the ‘turning point’ handsets. This went down very well with the delegates and the senior radiologists won the event (phew!!), and the overall winner was Fiona Carmichael!

The social program included a welcome reception at the Hakonshallen, a truly impressive 13th century medieval hall, and a trip up Mount Floyen on the funicular railway which has amazing views over the city of Bergen. The gala dinner, held in ‘Bolgen and Moi’ restaurant was a
superb meal and the evening was rounded off with dancing to music provided by Bamse Mork-Knutsen’s band.

BSDMFR members at the top of Mount Floyen

New members
There have been a huge number of applications to the Society again this year with 33 applications made and agreed at the Spring AGM. The names of the new members are:

Meg Brown - Senior Radiographer, Aberdeen Dental School
Pamela Sherman - Senior Radiographer, Aberdeen Dental School
Safraz Daniel – Radiographer, Eastman Dental Hospital
Alexandra Palfreyman - Senior Radiographer, - Birmingham Dental Hospital
Michael Farandos - GDP and part-time radiology lecturer, Liverpool
Champa Shah – Radiographer, Eastman Dental Hospital
Kim Bullock – Radiographer, East Grinstead
Averin Cox – Radiographer, East Grinstead.
Ashleigh Hetherington – Radiographer, Leeds Dental Institute
Joanna Jarrett – Radiographer, Manchester Dental School
Francesca Sharif – Radiographer, London
Umi Khamis – Radiographer, GSTT
Arumugam Nalliah - Senior Radiographer, GSTT
Rita Bhowal – Radiographer, GSTT
Nicola Clemmence - GDP - Clinical teacher, GSTT
Sonia Leonard – Radiographer, Eastman
Karlien Adofu – Radiographer, GSTT
Alireza Samani – Radiographer, GSTT
Rebekah Goulston – Radiographer, Manchester Dental Hospital
Susan Purvis – Radiographer, Newcastle Dental Hospital
Julia Burn – Radiographer, Newcastle Dental Hospital
Emma McCracken – Radiographer, Belfast
Blaithin Smith - Senior Radiographer, Dublin Dental Hospital.
Helen O’Selmo - Community Dental Officer in Special Carte and Paediatric Dentistry.
Graham Hart. Independent RPA/MPE
Stephen O’Connor. Senior House Officer
Madalina Harmer - Dental officer, Royal Army Dental Corps.
Katrina Hickenbotham – Radiographer, Birmingham Dental Hospital,
Tarvin Mittel – Senior House Officer / Dental Foundation Trainee, Northampton General.
Alison Lawrence – Radiographer, Charles Clifford Dental Hospital, Sheffield.
Janet Oliver - Radiographer, Charles Clifford Dental Hospital, Sheffield.
Julie Ray - Radiographer, Charles Clifford Dental Hospital, Sheffield.
Stuart Grange- Radiographer, Bristol Dental Hospital, Bristol

Current Council members are:
Dr Jane Luker (President)
Mr Jonathan Davies (Secretary)
Dr Rose Ngu (Treasurer)
Mr Nicholas Drage (President Elect)  
Ms Fiona Carmichael (Immediate Past President)  
Dr Linda Parrott  
Dr Bethan Thomas  
Dr Donald Thomson  
Mr Eric Whaites  
Mr Paul Nixon  
Dr Rebecca Davies  
Mr Chris Greenall (StR representative)

**BSDMFR awards**
The 2013 BSDMFR Undergraduate award was won by Mr Kristian Davies, School of Dentistry, Cardiff University. Kristian will present his work at the Spring Scientific Meeting in Bristol in 2014.

**DDMFR Examination Results**
Congratulations to Chris Greenall for passing the DDMFR part B in September 2013.

**Future Meetings:**
BSDMFR Spring Scientific Meeting 3\textsuperscript{rd}-4\textsuperscript{th} April 2013

**Other Meetings**
1st EADMFR Junior meeting, Umea, Sweden, 9th-12th February, 2014  
14th European Congress of DentoMaxilloFacial Radiology, June 25-28, 2014, Cluj, Romania  
British Society for Head and Neck Imaging, DATE July 2014, Royal Society of Medicine, London  
20th International Congress of Dento-Maxillo-Facial Radiology, Santiago, Chile, 2015  
15th European Congress of DentoMaxilloFacial Radiology, June 15-18,
Useful Information

New Publications

‘Selection Criteria for Dental Radiography 3rd Ed. Editors K Horner, FDGP, RCS Eng

Useful Websites

BSDMFR
http://www.bsdmfr.org.uk

IADMFR
http://www.iadmfr.org/

EADMFR
http://www.eadmfr.org

Dental School radiology links:

ACTA Amsterdam
http://www.radiology.acta.nl/

Aarhus University
http://www.odont.au.dk/rad/default.html

Web-based education:

http://www.orad.org

http://www.dent.ucla.edu/sod/depts/oral_rad/courses/DS451c/

http://www.dent.ucla.edu/sod/depts/oral_rad/courses/DS422b/

http://www.gwc.maricopa.edu/class/bio201/skull/skulltt.htm

http://bpass.dentistry.dal.ca/casestudies.html

Links to Guidelines
1. Radiation Protection. European guidelines on radiation protection in dental radiology The safe use of radiographs in dental practice:


2. Protection Radiation No 172. Cone beam CT for dental and maxillofacial radiology (Evidence-based guidelines):


3. Guidance on the Safe Use of Dental Cone Beam CT. HPA:
http://www.hpa.org.uk/webc/HPAwebFile/HPAweb_C/1287143862981

4. Guidance Notes for Dental Practitioners on the Safe Use of X-Ray Equipment. HPA:
http://www.hpa.org.uk/webc/hpawebfile/hpaweb_c/1194947310610

Newsgroup

ORADLIST is a world-wide conference mailing list in which the subscribers have a particular interest in Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology. To subscribe or unsubscribe to ORADLIST check the following web address:

http://lists.ucla.edu/cgi-bin/mailman/listinfo/oradlist

If you are aware of other interest based resources that should be listed here, let the society know by e-mailing the Secretary Jonathan Davies at: jonathandavies@nhs.net
And finally.........As you are aware Cardiff is hosting ECDMFR June 15th-18th, 2016 –so please put the date in your Diaries. The logo for the congress is shown below. Could I ask that if you are giving lectures in the UK or abroad you show the logo to promote the conference.

Many thanks

Nicholas Drage