President’s Note

Dear members of the EFP Societies,

I am very happy to be able to address each and every one of you through the EFP News. This newsletter is set out to be your hard-copy up-date on the EFP, and I want to take this opportunity to congratulate the editor, Dr. Joanna Kamma for a job very well done.

The European Federation of Periodontology certainly is a young and still growing family, now including a total of 19 full member and 6 associate member societies, with the overall objective to promote periodontal health in Europe. Over the short life-span of EFP major achievements have been made and important cornerstones are laid down. EFP has become the world’s largest organization in the field of periodontology, counting individual members in the societies. This fact places responsibilities and points to the challenges we face in striving for our goal.

Collectively, we will continue to pursue excellence in education, research and communication. The EFP’s Journal of Clinical Periodontology, Europerio Meetings, European Academy of Periodontology Workshops as well as the processes of the EFP accreditation of Graduate Programs and recognition of the specialty of Periodontology at a European level, are all key elements. As are the financial fundings of these important projects and other EFP activities.

It is my strong belief that collectively we can only be successful, with member societies and individual members of the societies taking on a true EFP identity along with the responsibilities. I encourage you to make a contribution through subscribing to the Journal of Clinical Periodontology, visit and utilize the EFP Web, support and participate in your national society and visit other member societies whenever possible and practical, and support our sponsors. Promote EFP societies’ events among members and colleagues, and share experiences between societies.

Further, I urge you to make contact with your National Representative or Board Members to raise issues of your concern, within the EFP. We are starting a process to include all national representatives in the work of the committees, including establishing new committees with fruitful potentials. Together we have the potential to make huge impacts, and to place the art and science of Periodontology in the exclusive group of health promotion leaders.

The best wishes from

Morten Klepp
President of the EFP

Editor’s Note

Dear EFP members,

I am honoured and immensely privileged to be appointed Editor of the EFP News.

Joanna Kamma
Editor of the EFP News
The General Assembly was held on 13 December, 2003 in Stockholm, hosted by the Swedish Society of Periodontology. The EFP officers, the chairmen of the standing committees, as well as representatives and members of the board of the national societies all in all 48 people attended the meeting. The agenda of this assembly was a long one. Following reports from the governing body and the committees many issues were adressed and discussed in a friendly and cooperative atmosphere leading to a fruitful outcome.

All social events were extremely well organised. Not everyone has the privilege of being invited to the banquets in the City Hall (Stadshuset). At the City Hall Cellar (Stadshuskällaren) in Stockholm's City Hall, we the people of the EFP had the privilege to taste the Nobel Banquet menu that had been served two days earlier on 10 December at the Nobel banquet. Under beautiful arched ceilings, which are officially classified as part of Sweden's national heritage, and in a calm, relaxing atmosphere we savored the best the Swedish kitchen has to offer. It was a dinner to remember, not just for the good food. The President of the EFP Dr. Stefan Renvert on behalf of the EFP expressed his gratitude to the Swedish Society of Periodontology and thanked Dr. Ola Norderyd in particular for the organisation of all the local arrangements for this meeting.
Nominating Committee

At the last General Assembly in December 2003 in Stockholm a new committee a Nominating Committee was formed. It was decided that this committee comprise the last three past presidents of the EFP, the youngest one being the chairman. The make-up of this committee for the current year is Declan Corcoran, Gianfranco Carnevale and Michel Brex as chairperson. This committee would contact EFP societies requesting candidates for the elected posts in the Executive Committee who will be ratified by the General Assembly. Election will follow a ladder structure which will lead from the post of the Second elected member successively to the post of Past president for a 5-year period.

Strategic planning for the governing structure of the EFP

Stefan Renvert together with Michel Brex and Morten Klepp presented the new strategic planning which will change the organisational structure of the EFP. In this proposal the Executive Committee consists of three appointed posts, the General Secretary and Treasurer with a duration in office of three years and the Editor with a duration of 5 years. These three posts can be reappointed. Stefan Renvert proposed that the elected posts of the Executive Committee follow a ladder structure. In this manner every year there is only one officer elected who subsequently will become President Elect, President and Past President.
Change in the Editorship of the JCP

Journal of Clinical Periodontology is the official publication of the European Federation of Periodontology. It’s a high scientific publication that has played a fundamental role in the dissemination of new information and knowledge and has served as a means for the education of periodontist and general practitioners. For more than 30 years Jan Lindhe has been the Editor of the Journal of Clinical Periodontology.

During 30 years of dedicated service Jan Lindhe saw the JCP thrive and become a journal which commands worldwide recognition. When Jan Lindhe became Editor of the JCP, he was already a world-renowned clinical research scientist specialising in periodontology. Working hard and being one of the leader researchers and educators in periodontology he managed to set high standards for publications and made the journal competitive elevating it to the point of excellence.

In ranking the JCP is 7 among all dental journals and 4 among periodontal journals, the first being Periodontology 2000, Journal of Periodontology and Journal of Periodontal Research. His tenure was an extremely successful one promoting the level of periodontal publications in clinical as well as scientific research. He has been a tremendous asset to the periodontal community. All these years he has worked efficiently and tirelessly carrying out the most difficult tasks for an editor. We all periodontists owe to Jan Lindhe the wide recognition we enjoy in our field.

Jan Lindhe has decided to retire from the Editorship of the JCP this year. EFP in conjunction with Blackwell publishers created a nominating committee in order to appoint a new editor. This committee consisted of Michel Brecc chairman of the committee, Ubele van Der Velden and Gianfranco Carnevale. They made an inquiry among all national societies asking them to propose tentative editors who met certain requirements. The new editor had to be a young person with experience in scientific journal editing, with a high and broad academic profile and willing to dedicate time and effort to the job. The result of this process was the proposal of three candidates for this post: Maurizio Tonetti, Klaus Lang and Tord Berglundh. Maurizio Tonetti, a well-known and prominent scientist in our field was proposed by the Executive committee and ratified by the General Assembly as the new editor. For the year 2004 both Jan Lindhe and Maurizio Tonetti are serving together as editors of the journal. Maurizio Tonetti will take the Editorship in 2005. Maurizio Tonetti as elected editor thanked the General Assembly for the trust and support. He presented shortly his program as new editor and stressed the need to innovate since there is a high competition both for authors and readers in the dental scientific environment. His goals will be to capitalize on the legacy left by Jan Lindhe and to introduce innovation in order to compete and make the JCP the global Journal of Clinical Periodontology. In terms of initial steps: the implementation of a web reviewing system will allow easier submission, quicker feedback and earlier electronic publication. Maurizio Tonetti will implement new software to assist authors, editor, reviewers and establish a new editorial team consisting of four associate editors with specific objectives and tasks and an international editorial board.

New full and associate members

The General Assembly unanimously welcomed the Czech and the Slovenian Societies of Periodontology after having been Associate Members for five years and fulfilling the requirements as new Full Members and the Serbian Society of Periodontology as new Associate Member.

5th European Workshop on Periodontology

The European Academy of Periodontology Committee organises the 5th European Workshop on Periodontology which will be held on 5-9 February 2005 at Charterhouse in Ittingen (Switzerland). This workshop will be sponsored by Oral B- Laboratories. The main theme of this workshop is «Etiology and pathogenesis leading to preventive concepts». There will be 5 groups working on 5 main topics: The microbial challenge, The host response, Pathogenesis and risk factors, Primary and secondary prevention, Behaviour and public health aspects. The scientific advisory board consists of Torkild Karring, Denis Kinane, Klaus Lang, Mariano Sanz and Maurizio Tonetti. This Workshop will be published as a supplement of the Journal of Clinical Periodontology on-line and in hard copy.

Any articles for the next EFP News please submit before 15 November 2004 to:
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EFP administrative secretary

The EFP has appointed Ms Mónica Guinea as EFP administrative secretary. She is efficient, charming, kind, extremely helpful and always uncomplaining. Her e-mail address: monica@efp.net
The research committee proposed that start up funding will be given to the following two research projects:
2. Interventions to Prevent Periodontal Diseases. By Ian Needleman

Soren Jepsen, chairman of the research committee, presented the plan of the committee that is:
- to initiate an EFP survey on Periodontal research in Europe in order to promote periodontal research and cooperation between countries and
- to promote research through the establishment of prizes for graduate research in EFP approved programs.

These prizes will start in 2004 and will amount to 1,000 € for the 1st prize and 500 € for the 2nd prize. Also, the research committee will undertake the abstract selection for future Europerio meetings.

**Prizes for Graduate Research in EFP approved Graduate Programs**

The EFP Research Committee is pleased to announce Graduate Research Prize competition. This prize is aimed with the objective of promoting graduate research in EFP approved programs.

The prize is awarded once a year. It is open to all graduate students of the EFP approved graduate programs. The research work must be published between January and December of 2004 in the Journal of Clinical Periodontology.

Original research articles should be sent to the EFP Administrative Secretary Mónica Guinea (see address below). Deadline for manuscript submission is December 1, 2004.

The winners will receive a monetary prize award of 1,000 € for the 1st prize and 500 € for the 2nd prize together with a Certificate of Award.

All candidates who wish to participate to the EFP Graduate Research Prize competition are requested to send their manuscript to:

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Antonio López Aguado 4 - bajo dcha.
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**New tool to communicate within EFP**

After a few months intensive work, My Efp is open to the EFP members. You just have to enter the www.efp.net (1), login (2) and go to this section (3). There, every society has its own page where the webmaster will post news, messages and documents while each committee has its own section (4). We invite you to enter and use it. In Members only you will also find other sections: Journal Clinical of

Periodontology on-line, a section to update your personal profile data and a members Directory where you can search members of other societies, countries. The huge EFP database is now being updated by Mónica Guinea, the EFP administrative secretary. As it was agreed with Blackwell, the societies can send to her periodically lists of their new members as well as cancellations. Please note her e-mail: monica@efp.net. Once a year (spring /June) the whole database will be sent to each society to be updated.
Anthony Rizzo Periodontal Research Award

Anthony Rizzo prize is given each year by the periodontal research group of the IADR to younger investigators in the field of periodontology who are still in the early phase of their academic/research career. In 2004, two young periodontists Anton Sculean and Phoebus Madianos have been awarded the Rizzo prize. They received a monetary prize of $500 each. Anton Sculean works in the department of periodontology at the University of Mainz, Germany and Phoebus Madianos works at the department of periodontology at the University of Athens, Greece.

25th anniversary of Sunstar Foundation for Oral Health Promotion

In honour of its 25th anniversary, the Sunstar Foundation for Oral Health Promotion in collaboration with the Journal of Periodontology, the Journal of Clinical Periodontology and the Journal of Periodontal Research organised a contest for research papers on the “relationship between periodontal disease and systemic conditions.” The screening committee consisted of Isao Ishikawa, Robert Genco, Jan Lindhe, Yoshio Nomura, Yoji Murayama, Pierre Baehni, Jorgen Slots, Maurizio Tonetti, Gary Armitage, William Giannobile, Jan Wennstrom, Niklaus Lang, Douglas Bratthall. The following three winning teams, received a monetary prize of $10,000 and an honorary plaque.


The award ceremony took place on June 21, 2003, at Europerio 4 in Berlin, Germany.

Periodontal practice survey and Demographic and insurance survey

The periodontal practice committee started two surveys among the members of the EFP by using questionnaires. These are big projects that merit our attention and contribution. Dr. Daniel Etienne the chairman of the Periodontal Practice committee has presented early results and commented on the two surveys:

- The Demographic and insurance survey will be useful for all national societies. You are encouraged to provide your national society and your EFP representative with the requested data. Nearly all national societies have responded, however we still need more information. Your contribution will have a major impact on the recording of the national insurances strategies and on the designing of new European strategies that promote periodontal health services.

- The Periodontal practice survey will assess quantitatively and qualitatively the level of periodontal services provided to perio patients. Also, it will soon be launched on the EFP web site for all members of the national societies.
The EuroPerio 5 Organising Committee met in Madrid on 18 and 19 April to start the organisation of the next EuroPerio Congress which will take place in Madrid (Spain), from 29 June to 1 July 2006. The EuroPerio 5 Organising Committee is Mariano Sanz (Chairman), Stefan Renvert (scientific chairman), Edwin Winkel (EFP treasurer), Massimo De Sanctis (Eurperio 5 treasurer), Jean Louis Giovannoli (chairman of the EFP congress committee) and Julio Galvan (SEPA). The committee drafted the scientific program and started the planning of the commercial exhibition and the sponsorship and marketing project.

On 10 May the committee presented the EuroPerio 5 Congress Organisational Plan to the industry. More than 50 delegates from Spanish and International Companies attended this gathering. Each delegate received a document containing details of the different sponsorship possibilities, together with the design of the commercial exhibition and the different innovations the committee plans to implement in this edition of EuroPerio 5. All companies expressed their willingness to participate actively in this meeting and to support the EFP. The Organising Committee is getting ready to start with the promotion of EuroPerio 5. Soon all EFP societies will receive posters and slides containing the logo of the meeting and other related information in order to distribute it in their meetings.

The web page is already running www.europerio5.net
4 - 5 June 2004  
Meeting of the French Society of Periodontology  
**Title:** From Periodontology to implantology: is there one step?  
**Venue:** Aix en Provence France  
**Information:** sfp@wanadoo.fr

11-13 June 2004  
Meeting of the Norwegian Society of Periodontology  
**Title:** Hygiene and Microbiology  
**Venue:** Troms  
**Information:** kan-mette.andersen@troms-f.kommune.no

2-4 September 2004  
34th Annual Meeting of the Swiss Society of Periodontology  
**Title:** Periodontology today and tomorrow  
**Pre-course:** “Perimplantitis - updated”  
**Venue:** Palais de Beaulieu, Lausanne  
**Information:** info@parodontologie.ch, www.parodontologie.ch

10-11 September 2004  
Meeting of the German Society of Periodontology  
**Title:** Konsens Dissens in der Parodontologie  
**Venue:** Congress Centre, Dresden  
**Information:** www.dgparo.de

10-11 September 2004  
Meeting of the Danish Society of Periodontology and 40th Anniversary  
**Venue:** Billund, Denmark  
**Information:** kwarrer@odont.au.dk

7-9 October 2004  
Meeting of the Polish Society of Periodontology  
**Venue:** Wroclaw  
**Information:** paradont@stom.am.wroc.pl

9 October 2004  
Meeting of the Belgian Society of Periodontology  
**Title:** Periomedicine  
**Venue:** Brussels  
**Information:** SBP_BVP@compuserve.com

15-16 October 2004  
Meeting of the Italian Society of Periodontology  
**Title:** Interrelations between general and periodontal health: Periomedicine  
**Venue:** Aurelia Convetion Centre, Rome  
**Information:** www.sidp.it

21-23 October 2004  
Meeting of the Polish Society of Periodontology  
**Title:** Contemporary view on oral pathology.  
**Venue:** Wroclaw  
**Information:** paradont@stom.am.wroc.pl

4-5 November 2004  
Meeting of the Czech Society of Periodontology  
**Venue:** Trebic, Czech Republic  
**Information:** www.perio.cz, pavpol@tiscali.cz

13 November 2004  
Meeting of the Hellenic Society of Periodontology  
**Title:** Periodontal regeneration. An update  
**Speaker:** Lars Heijil  
**Venue:** Athens  
**Information:** www.periodontology.gr

13 November 2004  
Meeting of the Italian Society of Periodontology  
**Title:** How to critically read a scientific work and apply the results to clinical practice  
**Venue:** Firenze  
**Information:** www.sidp.it

14-17 November 2004  
90th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Periodontology  
**Venue:** Orlando, Florida  
**Information:** www.perio.org

18-19 November 2004  
Meeting of the Dutch Society of Periodontology  
**Title:** Treatment planning  
**Venue:** Jaarbeurs Utrecht, The Netherlands  
**Information:** www.nvvp.org

19-20 November 2004  
Meeting of the Swedish Society of Periodontology  
**Title:** State of the art in periodontology  
**Venue:** Kalmar  
**Speakers:** Jan Lindhe, Hannes Wachtel  
**Information:** www.parodontologforeningen.org.se

19-20 November 2004  
Meeting of the Croatian Society of Periodontology  
**Title:** Periodontology in daily practice  
**Venue:** Zagreb  
**Speaker:** Prof. Zvonimir Curilovic  
**Information:** croperio@sfg.hr

26-28 November 2004  
Meeting of the Turkish Society of Periodontology  
**Venue:** Izmir

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**Periophernalia**

10-13 June 2004  
8th International Symposium on Periodontics and Restorative Dentistry  
**Venue:** Boston, Massachusetts  
**Information:** www.perio.org, sarah@perio.org, www.quintpub.com/isprd/generalinfo.php

21-24 July 2004  
9th International Congress of the International Society for Laser Dentistry  
**Venue:** Sao Paulo, Brasilien  
**Information:** www.apcd.org.br

12-13 August 2004  
American Dental Association Symposium on Evidence-Based Dentistry  
**Venue:** Chicago, IL

22-27 August 2004  
Light Activated Tissue Regeneration and Therapy I  
**Venue:** Ohana Keahou Beach Resort, Kona Coast, Island of Hawaii

25-28 August 2004  
CED/NOF/ID IADR Joint Meeting  
**Venue:** Istanbul, Turkey  
**Information:** www.ladr-ced.de

13-16 September 2004  
Intensive Four-day Course in Systematic Reviews  
**Venue:** London, England  
**Information:** S.Goodey@eastman.ucl.ac.uk

16-18 September 2004  
13th Annual Scientific Meeting of EAO  
**Venue:** Paris  
**Information:** www.eao.org

23-25 September 2004  
7th Biennial Congress, European Association of Oral Medicine  
**Title:** Immunosuppression and the immunosuppressed  
**Venue:** Berlin  
**Information:** www.charite.de/eam-2004/

21-23 November 2004  
5th Congress of the world association for laser therapy  
**Venue:** Sao Paulo (Guaruja), Brazil  
**Information:** www.laserdentistry.org

27-28 November 2004  
52nd Annual Meeting of the Japanese Association for Dental Research  
**Venue:** Tokyo, Japan  
**Information:** www.bcasj.or.jp/jadr/52ndjadrabm.htm