



2017 Global Symposium Draws 1,400 Dental Professionals to Miami Beach

Birmingham, Alabama, May 23, 2017 – The 2017 Global Symposium presented by the Oral Reconstruction Foundation drew over 1,400 dental professionals from 42 countries to Miami, FL on May 4-6, 2017. Under the theme *“Current Concepts and Future Trends in Tissue Regeneration and Implant Dentistry,”* the Symposium featured 30 experts from around the globe lecturing on today’s most challenging dental implant topics, including digital workflow, immediate loading, full arch reconstruction, tissue regeneration and esthetics. The Symposium also featured 12 breakout sessions with hands-on training sessions on topics such as intraoral scanning, guided surgery, immediate temporization and crestal sinus elevation. Additional sessions focused on implant complications, full arch reconstruction and practice marketing.

According to Dr. Edward P. Allen, Periodontist and OR Foundation board member, “The excitement and positive feedback from the attendees was truly rewarding. The quality of the speakers, their case presentations, and the challenging topics that they covered made for an excellent clinical program. The growing influence of digital dentistry was very evident. Implant dentistry is a rapidly changing field and meetings like the Global Symposium are necessary to help clinicians stay current with the latest technology. Of course, the Fontainebleau Hotel provided an outstanding venue for a meeting of this scale.”

Featured presenters at the meeting included Drs. Pat Allen, Gerhard Iglhaut, Sonia Leziy, Craig Misch, Michael Pikos, Marius Steigmann, Dennis Tarnow, Tiziano Testori, Hom Lay Wang and many others. BioHorizons served as the Diamond sponsor of the program and the dental residents poster competition. The competition offered university residents a forum to share evidence-based abstracts, research results and clinical outcomes. Winning submissions were “Utilizing Digital Workflow for Total Mandibular Reconstruction” from the Oral Surgery Department at Washington Hospital Center and “Treatment of Multiple Gingival Recessions Using Acellular Dermal Matrix Allografts” from the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

The next Global Symposium to be presented by the Oral Reconstruction Foundation will take place in Rotterdam, Netherlands, April 26-28, 2018, under the theme “The Future of the Art of Implant Dentistry.” For more information on the agenda and speakers, go to www.orfoundation.org.

About the Oral Reconstruction Foundation

The Oral Reconstruction Foundation is a not-for-profit private foundation with the goal of securing progress in implant dentistry and related areas by creating and imparting new scientific knowledge for the benefit of patients. As a continuing education provider, the OR Foundation presents and supports lectures, seminars, hands-on courses and surgical partnerships to facilitate the exchange of knowledge between dental clinicians from all disciplines.

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