# Member Newsletter



Conference Manchester 2016

### Progress and Precision in Prosthodontics

18th & 19th March Bridgewater Hall Manchester

Details and bookings at www.bsspd.org

The British Society of Prosthodontics Newsletter, Volume 19, July 2015

### **President's Editorial**

Julian Satterthwaite

It is a great pleasure and honour to be serving as President of the British Society of Prosthodontics, following in the footsteps of a great many inspirational leaders of the specialty, many of who have taught, led and guided me personally.

I have witnessed the Society evolve over the last decade to become vibrant and forwardlooking, embracing change yet keeping the core values of friendship and support that first attracted me to join the society nearly 15 years ago and subsequently to become more involved, initially assisting Craig Barclay with sponsorship for his conference and as a member of council, then Newsletter Editor, SAC rep, and now as President.

With the Society's ultimate aim of promoting high quality prosthodontic care, in recent years we have increased our provision of CPD with lectures, direct hands-on training and a successful series of webinars (available on-demand via the Society's website). We will be continuing in the same vein this year, although none of this can happen without the dedication and commitment of council and members.

I joined Kushal Gadhia, Matthew Thomas and Peter Briggs giving presentations at this year's BDA conference earlier this month. This was a fantastic event for us and we generated significant interest between the presentations and our stand in the exhibitor's hall. Kirstin Berridge fulfilled a stalwart role, making this possible and keeping us all organised. Although we were not the only specialty society in attendance, we were distinguished by the commitment and attendance of our clinical members – this was clearly an attractive 'message', representative of the commitment of those mentioned above, and we had nearly 50



new members join over the course of two days. I am sure you will join me in making them all welcome! In recent years we have worked to engage with GDP's as well as those working as specialists, we have also actively engaged with foundation dentists and are now establishing a dedicated young practitioners group to ensure that the voice of our future is represented and heard.

The 2016 Annual Conference will take place in Manchester on Friday 18th & Saturday 19th March. The conference will be held at the iconic Bridgewater Hall, which is centrally located with excellent transport links having direct rail links from the city centre to most parts of the UK, and an international airport only a short metro journey from the city centre. There is a huge range of hotels to suit every budget – no frills rooms to pampered exclusivity!

The theme for the conference will be 'Progress & Precision in Prosthodontics', with the aim being to show how advances in technology and greater understanding of disease processes mirror a background and history of precision work. Topics to be covered will include prosthodontics planning, digital scanning and milling, attachments and copings, and oro-facial prostheses. Confirmed speakers include Dr Chris Orr, Dr Anil Shrestha, Dr Nigel Rosenbaum, Prof Julian Yates & Dr Rutger Schepers.

It has been many years since the conference came to the city and it is a great privilege to be able to showcase Manchester and its proud industrial heritage (and apparently there are a couple of football teams here!) Given the increasingly prevalent use and discussion of implants in prosthodontics, I cannot help but reflect on the fact that screw standardisation has its roots (sorry, no pun intended) in Manchester with the work of Whitworth, whose name and influence, along with that of Turin, Dalton, Rutherford, still abounds.

The conference dinner will take place in the Town Hall, a tremendous venue steeped in history; just a few minutes walk from the conference venue. There also are many attractions to visit in Manchester, both historical and contemporary, from museums, galleries and country houses, to boutique and big-brand shopping - I look forward to welcoming you all to Manchester.

### News Bites Jennifer Jalili, Editor

Spring Invitational Lecture in Switzerland



Gerry McKenna delivered the 2015 Spring Invitational Lecture at the University of Bern on 28th May. He was invited by Professor Martin Schimmel, head of gerodontology and removable prosthodontics and Professor Adrian Lussi, Director of the Faculty of Dentistry. The title of his presentation was "Managing the Ageing Population: an evidence-based approach to Gerodontology". Gerry is the current president of the European College of Gerodontology and discussed a range of issues including dental management of older patients, nutritional outcomes and health economics.

# Young practitioners group revision day

The second BSSPD Young Practitioners Group revision day took place on Thursday 23rd July 2015 at the The Royal London Hospital in Whitechapel, London.

The objectives of the study day were to provide specialty trainees an opportunity to practice oral examinations and obtain feedback on unseen Restorative cases, to promote the education of Prosthodontics, Endodontics & Periodontics and to promote the role and position of BSSPD.

Delegates were split into groups and each group given time for case preparation and then examined. Each candidate had the opportunity for four mock vivas followed by feedback and discussion.

Many thanks to Kushal Gadhia who organised the day. Future revision days will be promoted on the BSSPD website.

### **BSSPD go to Manchester!** James Owens

BSSPD had a very successful visit to the BDA Dental Conference in Manchester in May. With over 7000 attendees, this was a golden opportunity to raise the profile and encourage new membership of the society.



There was a prominent stand professionally designed by Kirstin Berridge and 2020 Design that allowed the Society representatives to chat and interact with the attendees and included a television monitor showing some of the downloadable Webinars available on the newly launched website. The stand was set up opposite our sister society - The British Society of Periodontology and after an initial wary standoff, some friendly interaction and ideas for collaborative projects were discussedit's good to network! Free back copies of the Society's Journal, The EJPD, and free logo emblazoned USB sticks with a taster of the BSSPD Webinar series were eagerly snapped up by interested delegates.

However the highlight was undoubtedly the two-hosted sessions sponsored by BSSPD. The first was on the Friday afternoon organised by the Young Dentist Group President Kushal Gadhia, Kushal and Matthew Thomas from Cardiff talked on Implants in Dental Practice. Matthew gave an interesting history of implant placement and an overview of implant design and surgery while Kushal looked at the longterm maintenance and importance of proper planning by a prosthodontist in implant treatment. The session was entertainingly Chaired by immediate past President Peter Briggs with his genial style and humour. Over 200 delegates filled the auditorium, mostly Dental Foundation Dentists, who stayed on afterwards for an enjoyable guestion and answer session with the two speakers despite needing to prepare for the evenings DF Ball!



Despite the late Friday night entertainment of the DF Ball and Cuban Evening, another full house was had on Saturday morning for the next BSSPD hosted session. This time a duo of Presidents saw past President Peter Briggs being joined by local Manchester boy and current President Julian Satterthwaite for a session on 'Practical Prosthodontics'. The talk was full of practical and pragmatic tips and hints on a whole range of prosthodontic issues from implant placement and complex bridge design through to practical post and core design and placement. The audience were thoroughly entertained by the two experienced speakers particularly enjoying Peter's wedjit implant drill guide (ingenious!) and Julian's entertaining accounts of treating complex failing bridge-work in 'challenging' patients!

The two sessions sparked a flurry of activity at the BSSPD Stand where further ad-hoc

Q&A sessions were had with delegates and membership forms eagerly snapped up.

At the end of the Conference nearly 50 new members had signed up and hopefully the interest generated will lead to further membership recruits being welcomed in the coming months. All in all a very successful venture- anybody fancy a trip back to Manchester again next year?

### New BSSPD website launched Jennifer Jalili, Editor

The new BSSPD website has recently been launched and features a more streamlined appearance with easy to access sections.

A new addition to the website includes a "Young Practitioners Group" which will provide information on upcoming course available.

Over the last couple of years the Webinars have grown in popularity and have contributed in attracting new members to the society. Previous webinars are now available on demand and therefore provide an excellent resource for keeping up to date with current techniques or for revision. The upcoming year's webinar series looks set to be filled with more topics for discussion and will continue to remain free to members.

BSSPD is one of the oldest societies in the UK and becoming a member of BSSPD allows you to be part of a global group of professionals interested in Prosthodontics. Membership includes free access to online webinars, reduced conference rates,



subscription to EJPRD and much more. For those interested in becoming a member of the BSSPD, our membership rates are competitively priced at:

- £100 per year for ordinary membership
- £50 per year for postgraduates, young practitioners (qualified for three years or less), and StRs/SpRs
- £25 per year for undergraduate students

Join now at www.bsspd.org

### **BSSPD Conference, London, March 2015** Peter Briggs

The last BSSPD conference held in London was in 2001 under Paul Wright's Presidency. Therefore 2015 was the year of return for the BSSPD to the capital after a 14-year wait. The title and theme of the 2015 conference was 'Confronting the Grey Areas'. The conference was organised under the presidency of Peter Briggs with a strong line-up of speakers who were asked to explore the areas of grey within Prosthodontics.

For the first time the conference was run on a Friday and Saturday under the direction of Council to attract more primary care practitioners. The venue at the British library allowed for 250 delegates in the main tiered auditorium with two additional breakout rooms to hold an additional 90 delegates.

The conference speakers agreed to make PDFs of their presentations available on the BSSPD website - www.bsspd.org.

The Postgraduate Dental Dean for London Dental Education Training (HEE) and her Patch Deans felt that the academic programme for the Friday was particularly relevant to the educational needs of the London Dental Foundation trainees. They were particularly keen for their DFs to experience the society debate on the implications of the phase down of dental amalgam. This meant that the conference needed to use both breakout rooms to accommodate the large number of delegates.

Liz Jones, OBE, the Postgraduate Dental Dean for London welcomed the society to London and formally opened the conference. Peter Briggs, Society President then invited Ken Hemmings, Consultant in Restorative Dentistry at the Eastman Dental Hospital and also a specialist private practice in Buckinghamshire to commence the scientific programme.

Ken's lecture was titled: Prosthodontic Management of Tooth Wear – the Grey Areas. He outlined the importance of accurate diagnosis and assessment of Tooth Wear – with the use of a Tooth Wear index to better aid objective measurement and description. His take home view is that it is always worth giving adhesive dentistry a go, as the worst that can happen is that it fails with no biological cost to the patient.

Richard Porter. Consultant in Restorative Dentistry at St. George's Hospital presented: Modern Thinking on the Management of Fractured and Cracked Teeth. Richard used several clinical examples to nicely demonstrate the dilemma that we all face with fractured teeth, whether they are vital and symptomatic or whether the teeth are the source of discomfort etc. He made reference to the excellent Trauma guide of the University of Copenhagen, which provides a fantastic, free resource for those seeing patients with trauma. Richard was very clear that due to a general lack of evidence there is not only one-way to manage teeth with suspected cracks.

Kevin Lewis, Director of DPL spoke about: Dento-Legal Grey Areas in Prosthodontics. Kevin is probably one of the best-known dentists in the UK and regularly voted as the most influential dentist in the country. As expected he produced a masterful presentation on the Dento-Legal risks and pitfalls in Prosthodontics. His presentation was particularly relevant to those starting out on a clinical career. Kevin's advice, to those starting a career in Prosthodontics was firstly to conquer 'people (soft) skills'. It is important for us all to remember that we are all in the 'people-business' and not implant, crowns or veneer business. So before we 'tool-up' and learn new clinical procedural skills we must be able to look after patients in a manner that they can appreciate and trust. Ideally, we should take time to thoroughly plan and exhibit realistic cautiousness but have the clinical skills to provide what has been promised.

In the afternoon delegates packed into the main auditorium and breakout rooms in expectation for the BSSPD Society Debate on the Implications of the Minamata Convention on Mercury to Dental Amalgam - Should our patients be worried? Professor Trevor Burke, Professor in Primary Care from University of Birmingham, gave a short presentation in support of the alternatives to dental amalgam. His theme was 'why in 2015 would you want metal in your mouth?' His upbeat message was that resin is a good substitute for amalgam with recent studies confirming predictable outcome. Next up was Phil Taylor, from Queen Mary's University of London (QMUL) with a hardhitting evidence-based riposte in support of dental amalgam. He felt that without amalgam dentally-vulnerable patients will suffer more secondary caries and biological problems (e.g. pulpal necrosis) and that more teeth will be prematurely lost in the UK population in an amalgam free world.

The session moved on to interactive smart phones voting. One of the big advantages of this technology was the ability for audience to use 'free text comments' with their voting and it was interesting to see the differences in opinion between the audience and the speaker responses. The results of the debate will be written up and disseminated in a dental publication in the near future. The session showed the benefit of modern technology to both include and engage a large audience. Informal audience feedback confirmed positivity towards the new technology and many commented that it was the only lecture where they had been asked to turn on their phones!

After afternoon tea Professor Daniel Edeloff. from Munich University was asked to address: Is CAD/CAM Technology and All-Ceramic Restorations the Answers to all our Problems? He felt that chairside surgery machines, because of the problem of vibration, were just not accurate enough. As a result machines too heavy to be put in the dental laboratory allow the construction of highly suitably accurate CAD-CAM restorations. As a fully trained dental technician (before dental training) he understandably focussed on technician expertise. She showed case after case of exceptional guality, presented in a matter of fact humble fashion. Daniel felt that the cost of scanners was a problem for many. As a result, even in Germany, uptake to intra-oral scanners was slow. So most were indirectly scanning their plaster models (in the laboratory) to allow fabrication of CAD CAM restorations.

The conference dinner was attended by 220 delegates and was held in the ballroom of the Pullman Hotel St Pancras. The pre-dinner drinks reception coincided with the launch of the BSSPD young practitioner group.

On day two, Professor Dominic O'Sullivan, from the University of Bristol, was asked to present the title of: Implant Use in the Periodontally-Susceptible Patient – The Grey Areas. Dominic went through the various stages of planning with a strong emphasis on prosthodontic reverse planning the first stage. He emphasised the need for periodontal maintenance to be in place before implants can realistically be considered to replace teeth. This maintenance must be proven over an agreed time period before implants can realistically be offered. He illustrated the greater risk of implants developing problems in periodontal patients where plaque-control is sub-optimal and where inflammatory disease is still active. Dominic was clear that wherever possible natural

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teeth should be preserved. The key to success with periodontal patients is adequate Supportive Periodontal Therapy – it makes a big difference to long-term outcome and bone loss around implants.

Professor Edeloff was welcomed back to speak on: The potential and clinical Indications for the Newer Indirect Ceramic and Glass Restorations. He demonstrated multiple clinical applications of indirect (all ceramic and glass restorations) across a broad clinical range. He and his technical team were prepared to find the outer limits of potential for these relatively new materials. For instance, he showed several full occlusal wear (erosion) cases where his technical team were able to construct extremely thin (E-max) monolith press ceramic onlays - which he then bonded with aid of with hydrofluoric acid etch followed by low viscosity resin-based lute cement. His latest published audit (at three years) confirmed none of these restorations to have failed.

In summary, Daniel's contribution to the scientific component of the conference was a view into the future, with aid of the technology we will all be using in 10 years.

The Schottlander Research Prize presentations were of the highest standard giving the judges a difficult job in selecting a winner. The audience appreciated the effort that had clearly gone into the presentations and it was good for the society to see that the BSSPD conference continues to attract a high number of high quality poster and oral prize entries. The poster prize was given to Hiren Patel (QMUL) and the Schottlander oral research prize awarded to Andrew Keeling (Leeds).

The awards made at the 2015 BSSPD conference were as follows: The Heraeus-Kulzer Award winner was Liverpool University Undergraduate Greg Herbert for his critical review 'The role of Metal Ceramic Crowns and Direct and Indirect Composite Resin in the aesthetic restoration of worn teeth'. The Coltene Award winner was Raggi Munjal a recent graduate from the University of Sheffield.

At the same time two parallel workshops also ran in the breakout rooms. Both were well received by attending delegates.

Workshop 1 was run by Neil Poyser and Jason Watson both from Queens University Hospital Nottingham. The title of the workshop was Multi-Disciplinary Care (MDT) Restorative and Prosthodontic cases from Nottingham. The workshop was an interactive discussion and presentation given by both Jason and Neil of different cases that they have treated together in QUHN. The delegates appreciated the structured discussion of each clinical case with clear description of the role of the Restorative Dentist, the Consultant Technical Scientist and the Maxillo-Facial Surgeon to achieve satisfactory outcome. A PDF of the cases was made available to the society. The delegates that work with similar patients were treated to a good session on how a good MDT team should and can work. It also explained the advanced role of the Technical Scientist for the head and neck patient.

Workshop 2 was chaired by Kushal Gadhia, Chair of the young BSSPD practitioner group. The workshop was titled: Immediate or Delayed implant placement. This brought together Lloyd Searson and Shakeel Shahdad on different sides of the argument. The attending delegates were treated to a high intensity debate between delayed and immediate placement (with the aid of clinical case examples and use of clinical literature. Both speakers were able to put forward their views – leaving attending delegates to reflect on the implications to their own practice.

Phil Taylor chaired the next session after a successful lunch. Phil welcomed Brian

Schottlander to provide a short presentation from in which he updated BSSPD on his company's new Enigma denture teeth that had been launched the previous day in central London. The teeth had been trialled and well received by several experienced BSSPD clinicians. Brian carefully explained the benefits and advantages of Enigma teeth both from both cosmetic and functional viewpoints.

Next up was Jimmy Makdissi talking to: The Grey Areas to 3D Scanning and Dento-Facial Imaging in Prosthodontics. This was a very useful presentation for those in the audience. Jimmy outlined the indications for CT and CBCT scanning. He outlined important guidelines from the college of Dental and Maxillo-Facial Radiologists and the likely doses associated with CT and CBCT images. All images should also be appropriately reported. He stressed the importance of not over-relying on the 3D technology with the aid of a clinical example where the correct use of a CBCT / computer-aided implant surgical stent resulted in poor (dangerous) positioning of mandibular implants.

Shakeel Shahdad spoke next to: Managing Complex Prosthodontics and Failure – Some Clinical Tips. Shakeel emphasised the need for good communication, diagnosis, assessment and planning prior to definitive treatment planning for failing cases. His messages were very clear and simple - natural teeth should be preserved where possible, natural teeth should be thoroughly assessed and 'stripped down' before informed decisions can be made on their future. Implants have their place in the management of failure. However we need to assess lip line, soft tissue biotype and bone volume very carefully.

Paul Tipton, a very well known private practitioner and clinical teacher in Prosthodontics from Manchester was asked to speak to the title: The Grey Areas of Occlusion in 2015 – the Balance between Evidence and Clinical Experience.

Paul gave a passionate presentation on his view of Prosthodontics, Occlusion and Tooth Preparation. He felt that young UK trained dentists are generally inexperienced with prosthodontic skills. He admitted that he clinically prescribes more indirect restoration and prepares more teeth for patients than in hospital settings. He defended this due to the very predictable reported survival of fixed conventional restorations if done well. In summary Paul remains happy to use the techniques he was taught during his own training. He still sees fixed prosthodontics as an important skills area for the young dentists. Loading restorations correctly is achieved by building good posterior stability and appropriate anterior guidance. He explained how he achieves this. He recommends that patients with para-functional risk should wear hard protective splints to protect placed restorations but accepts that occlusion, in itself, is not the cause or solution of para-function.

This brought the scientific part of the conference to a close. Peter then asked Julian Satterthwaite to come up to the stage to be installed as the bsspd President for 2015-16. Julian then gave Peter a past President badge and thanked Peter, Kirstin Berridge and Rob McAndrew for putting together such a well-attended conference in London. He then updated delegates on his own conference titled: Progress, Precision in Prosthodontics. This will be run at the Bridgewater Hall, Manchester on Friday 18th March and Saturday 19th March 2016.

This brought a formal close to the conference. The society would like to thank all the speakers, those presenting posters, workshops and oral prize presentations and finally all the attending delegates for making it such a successful two days.

### QMUL grant award

#### Development of a novel dental implant material

Researchers from the School of Dentistry within Queen Mary University of London (QMUL) have received nearly £500k in MRC funding to assess the effectiveness of a new injectable bone graft material used to replace missing bone in implant dentistry.

The novel bone graft, previously developed by a team of experts at QMUL, has shown strong potential in preliminary studies. The research is led by Dr Shakeel Shahdad, Consultant and Honorary Senior Clinical Lecturer with QMUL and Barts Health NHS Trust.

Dr Shakeel Shahdad, comments: "We are thrilled to have been awarded this research grant and are hugely excited about developing our product and eventually rolling it out to patients. The MRC funding will be used to compare the performance of two of our novel material formulations - with regards to their abilities to preserve the dimensions of the bone after tooth extraction and promote new bone formation around dental implants - compared to the current synthetic gold standard material. Initial investigations have demonstrated that our materials integrate well, bind strongly with bone tissue and enhance the formation of new bone at a faster rate compared to other synthetic materials used for the same applications".

Currently all bone substitute materials, used in dentistry to fill bone defects, are in the form of granules that do not set or harden upon application, and consequently can move around – increasing the risk of the procedure failing and make it more difficult for the clinician carrying out the surgery. In contrast, the new materials developed by Dr Shahdad and his team are in the form of injectable pastes, similar to putty, that can be easily moulded into the desired shape. The materials harden in a few minutes after being injected into the surgical site, ensuring a completely sealed filling of the site without any parts becoming dislodged after implantation.

The materials also show improved handling properties and ease of use, which leads to simplification of the surgical procedure and consequently, a shorter surgical time, which benefits the patients. Dr Shakeel Shahdad continues: "The introduction of these novel injectable materials in dentistry will help overcome the limits of other synthetic materials currently available, such as low degradation rate, poor handling properties and low stability in the site of implantation, which are associated with failures of the surgical procedure.

"The clinical use of this material for implant dentistry will be beneficial for patients as it will lead to better outcomes, faster healing times and a shorter surgical time. This ultimately reduces patient morbidity, improves the quality of life and reduces costs to the NHS."

Co-investigators within the QMUL study team include Professor Robert Hill, Chair of Physical Sciences in relation to Dentistry; Mr Mital Patel, Consultant in Restorative Dentistry; Dr Simon Rawlinson, Senior Lecturer in Oral Biology; Miss Alessia D'Onofrio, Research Fellow in Dental Biomaterials. The study also involves Dr Niall Kent, Postdoctoral Research Associate at UCL.

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# European College of Gerodontology

Annual meeting 2015

Later this year the European College of Gerodontology will host its annual meeting in Ireland for the first time. Under the presidency of Dr Gerry McKenna, Senior Lecturer and Consultant in Restorative Dentistry, Queens University Belfast, the meeting will be held in Belfast on October 1st and 2nd 2015. The conference location is Titanic Belfast, a venue dedicated to Belfast's maritime heritage on the site of the shipyard where RMS Titanic was built in 1912.

The meeting is a joint venture with two other specialist societies: the Specialist Registrar's in Restorative Dentistry Group (SRRDG) and the Association of Consultants and Specialists in Restorative Dentistry (RD-UK). The conference promises to be an engaging, educational and entertaining event with confirmed speakers including Professor Frauke Muller from Geneva, Professor Jimmy Steele from Newcastle, Professor Finbarr Allen from Cork and Professor Luc can der Sluis from Gronigen.

The overarching theme of the meeting is "The Restorative Life Cycle" and will include all aspects of restorative dentistry including gerodontology, prosthodontics, periodontology and endodontics. The meeting offers the opportunity for poster presentations and a number of prize competitions including the prestigious European College of Gerodontology Colgate Research Award.

All members of the dental team are very welcome to attend the meeting with further details including booking information and conference hotels available at... www.restdent.org.uk.



### **BSSPD** Prize Awards

Supporting clinical excellence and research

The British Society for Prosthodontics makes a number of awards that underline our aim to support clinical excellence and research in fixed and removable prosthodontics.

Pease take this opportunity to make sure that colleagues are aware of these awards and encourage them to apply where appropriate.

#### **Schottlander Prizes**

The BSSPD, in association with Schottlander offers two annual prizes for the advancement of knowledge in Prosthetic Dentistry. The main prize will be awarded for an Oral Presentation delivered to the Annual Conference of the Society and is for £750. There is one prize available each year. Schottlander also provide a prize for the best Poster Display / Table demonstration. This takes the form of a cash award of £150 for a single winner. If the judges recommend that the prize should be awarded to two posters, the cash award would be £100 each.

Prize winners will receive a certificate and are normally invited to a dinner hosted by Brian Schottlander.

Applicants for either prize should submit an abstract relating to their application (max 250 words maximum) via the membersonly part of the website. The deadline for applications is normally early January of the conference year, actual dates will be posted on the BSSPD website nearer the time.

#### **BSSPD In-Training Award**

This award is intended to support those in specialist training in Prosthodontics or Restorative Dentistry who are members of BSSPD, to obtain further clinical, audit or research experience in prosthodontics, in a unit away from the one at which they are normally based. The award is worth up to £1500 and can be used to support the cost of travel, accommodation or course fees in relation to a single episode of clinical or research training. The trainee must undertake to produce a report of their activities in relation to this award, in a format that is publishable and submitted to BSSPD.

The deadline for applications is normally early January of the conference year. Actual dates and regulations will be posted on the BSSPD website.

#### **BSSPD In-Practice Award**

This award is intended to support BSSPD members who work predominantly in dental practice who wish to conduct prosthodontic research or audit, or introduce a new prosthodontic technique into their practice for the benefit of their patients. The award is worth up to £1500 and must be used to support the project proposal, which should detail the costs involved and clearly identify how the award will be used for patient benefit.

The award is made to members of BSSPD at the time of application who work predominantly in dental practice. The deadline for applications is normally early January of the conference year. Actual dates and regulations will be posted on the BSSPD website.

#### Heraeus-Kulzer Undergraduate Award

This award is made for the best critical review received by BSSPD, on a subject of the applicants choosing, related to Prosthodontics. The prize takes the form of a monetary award of £250 together with a certificate. The recipient of the award will be invited to the BSSPD Annual Conference as a guest of the society.

The deadline for applications is normally late December in the year preceding the actual conference year. Actual dates and regulations will be posted on the BSSPD website nearer the time.

#### **Coltene Undergraduate Award**

This award is made to a student undertaking undergraduate studies in dentistry who has produced a case report involving prosthodontic treatment. The scope of the award is such that cases involving either fixed or removable prosthodontic treatment are considered. The award includes the following:

- An award to the value of £500 to the recipient
- A materials/consumables bursary of £500 for the Prosthodontic department

or unit of the Dental School of the recipient of the award

- A certificate presented by Coltene Whaledent
- Attendance at the conference in the following year, as a guest of BSSPD, the successful candidate will be required to present their work as a poster demonstration or table display depending on the preference of the recipient.

The deadline for applications is normally late December in the year preceding the actual conference year. Actual dates and regulations will be posted on the BSSPD website.

#### Stop Press!

BSSPD are currently working on a new Early Career award that aims to support our 'Young Practitioners Group', more details on this in due course so keep checking the website!

### New BSSPD council members

We would like to welcome two new Council Members: Jennifer Jalili and Lorna McCaul.

Jennifer has taken over from Derek Moore as newsletter editor and would like to thank Derek for all his hard work over the last few years.

# Any newsletter feedback?

We are always looking for ways to improve the BSSPD newsletter and would welcome any comments or suggestions in which to do so. The new editor Jennifer Jalili would like to hear your thoughts - email...

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