The 19th century German philosopher, Arthur Schopenhauer, once said, “Every man takes the limits of his own field of vision for the limits of the world.” Our May 2017 meeting, “You Can’t Teach Experience: A Day with the Masters,” will offer us the opportunity to expand our horizons from the experiences of four renowned clinicians.

The 2017 program chairman, Dr. Robert Jaffin, and his committee have assembled a panel of internationally-acclaimed speakers who will address relevant topics that we encounter on a regular basis. Their lectures will illustrate how—through experience—perspectives mature so that we may offer our patients more predictable and effective treatment.

The day will start with registration from 8:00-9:00 a.m. during which time the exhibits will be open. The formal lectures will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. The program kicks off at with Dr. Barry Wagenberg, who will discuss, “A Retrospective of 40 Years of Periodontics: What Can We Do Without Implants?” His program will aid

8:00–8:30 AM  NESP Board of Directors’ Meeting
8:00–9:00 AM  Registration and Exhibits
9:00–9:45 AM  Dr. Barry Wagenberg
A Retrospective of 40 Years of Periodontics:
What Can We Do Without Implants?
9:45–10:30 AM  Dr. Akshay Kumar
Twenty Years of Immediate Provisionalization:
Critical Findings and Predictors of Successful Outcomes
10:30–11:00 AM  Visit with our Exhibitors
11:00 AM–12:00 PM  Dr. Laureen Langer
Implants in the Aging Population:
The Dilemma Facing Patients and Clinicians
12:00–1:00 PM  Lunch Program
Luncheon for Learning
1:00–1:15 PM  Tannenbaum/Schoor Memorial Award
Dr. Flora Momem Heravi
Treatment of Aggressive Periodontitis:
A Case Report
1:30–4:00 PM  Dr. Giorgio Tabanella
Tissue Augmentation for Implant Placement:
The Aesthetic Challenge

Barry Wagenberg  Akshay Kumar  Laureen Langer  Giorgio Tabanella

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participants in developing a logical approach to treatment planning periodontal and restorative dentistry for the patient with advanced disease. At 9:45 a.m., our second speaker, Dr. Akshay Kumar, will present the lecture, “Twenty Years of Immediate Provisionalization — Critical Findings and Predictors of Successful Outcomes.” His lecture will tackle the dilemma of determining the ideal method of temporization during the integration phase. Following Dr. Kumar’s talk at 10:30, there will be a coffee break until 11:00 a.m., during which time we encourage you to visit our exhibitors. The morning session will conclude with Dr. Laureen Langer, who will discuss a highly relevant topic, “Implants in the Aging Population: The Dilemma Facing Patients and Clinicians.” This presentation will explore the quandaries that the clinician faces when administering care to this special group.

The lunch program will run from 12:00-1:00 p.m.

For our afternoon session, we are fortunate to have Dr. Giorgio Tabanella, from Rome, Italy, whose topic is “Tissue Augmentation for Implant Placement: The Aesthetic Challenge.” Among the topics he will discuss are how he handles difficult and complex anterior implant situations, including multiple missing teeth and replacing teeth with a reduced periodontium.

This day promises to be an outstanding educational program featuring leaders in their respective fields. It will certainly benefit your practice and career to learn from the experiences of the masters.

DR. BARRY WAGENBERG will present A Retrospective of 40 Years of Periodontics: What Can We Do Without Implants? This program will aid participants in developing a logical approach to treatment planning periodontal and restorative dentistry for the advanced-disease patient. Treatment planning with and without implants should be a skill set of all dentists. It is the responsibility of therapists to have the capability to utilize all of the treatment modalities available to correct and control periodontal disease. Via a series of case reports we will follow patients through a long post therapy follow-up, which demonstrates maintaining the natural dentition until and if it no longer becomes feasible. Participants will understand a logical approach to sequence of therapy for comprehensive care.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES
Upon completion of this presentation, participants will be able to understand:

• all therapies utilized in the treatment of advanced periodontal disease;
• the potential and limitations of these therapies;
• how to develop a logical and proper sequence of therapy;
• how to treatment plan without implants;
• when implants can be integrated into therapy.

Dr. Wagenberg received his dental degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1971 and received a certificate in periodontics from Columbia University in 1974. He has authored one textbook, contributed a chapter in four textbooks, and authored 32 articles. Dr. Wagenberg has delivered over 100 lectures in both periodontics and implant dentistry. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Periodontics and served six years as a member of the Board of Trustees of the American Academy of Periodontology. He has been honored as the 2014 Master Clinician of the American Academy of Periodontology, the Northeastern Society of Periodontists’ Isidor Hirschfeld Award, and the Northeastern Society of Periodontists’ Irwin Scopp Award.

Dr. Wagenberg is director of dental education and periodontics at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center. He is a fellow of the International and American College of Dentists, the American Academy of Oral Medicine, the American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry, the American Academy of Osseointegration, and the American Academy of Periodontology. He has been in full-time private practice in New Jersey since 1976.

DR. AKSHAY KUMAR will present Twenty Years of Immediate Provisionalization — Critical Findings and Predictors of Successful Outcomes. The high success rate with dental implant treatment is well documented. One of the biggest hurdles we face as clinicians is determining the ideal method of temporization

New Members

The NESP welcomes the following new members:

Dr. Milita Borquet, Narberth, Pennsylvania
Dr. Cinzia Dinoi, Brooklyn, New York
Dr. Susan Goldfarb, Teaneck, New Jersey
Dr. Mark Knakal, East Patchogue, New York
Dr. Kensuke Matsumoto, New York, New York
Dr. Vikas Mittle, Syosset, New York
Dr. Imam Mizani, Lausanne, Switzerland
Dr. Jay Rubin, Brooklyn, New York
Dr. Louis Rubin, Phoenixville, Pennsylvania
Dr. Richard Shin, Oradell, New Jersey
Dr. Eric Schoenbeck, Yardley, Pennsylvania
Dr. Leila Soltani, New York, New York
during the two-to-four month osseointegration phase. This can pose problems with regard to case acceptance, implant success, cost, and time.

Immediate provisionalization is a well-documented technique that can offer a success rate equal to or better than conventional temporization methods. This presentation will review critical diagnostic, clinical, and biological factors that can lead to more predictable results with the technique of immediate provisionalization. Single tooth, partially edentulous, and fully edentulous cases will be discussed.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES
At the conclusion of this lecture, participants will be able to:
• identify patients who would benefit from this procedure;
• apply clinical knowledge gained over the last 20 years towards maximizing success with this technique;
• realize the potential benefits of utilizing this technique in daily clinical practice.

Dr. Kumar received his D.M.D. from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine and completed his postgraduate training in periodontics at Temple University. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology and an active member of the Academy of Osseointegration. He is a Fellow of the International Team of Implantologists and of the American College of Dentists. He has authored several publications in peer-reviewed journals and has contributed a chapter in a textbook on implant complications. Dr. Kumar is a clinical attending at Hackensack University Medical Center and has lectured extensively on the subject of dental implants with regard to treatment planning, esthetics, and immediate loading, both nationally and internationally. Dr. Kumar maintains a private practice limited to periodontics and implant surgery in Hackensack, New Jersey.

DR. LAUREN LANGER will present Implants in the Aging Population: The Dilemma Facing Patients and Clinicians. There are two distinct groups of patients who seek dental treatment as seniors: those who are losing teeth due to recurrent periodontitis and those patients with aggressive dental caries. This presentation will explore the dilemmas that the clinician faces when administering care in these situations. Special emphasis will be directed to the patients who already have some implants and whose dentitions have been further compromised due to advancing age or disease-related factors.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES
At the conclusion of this lecture, participants will be able to:
• understand the survival rates of implants placed in the senior population;
• devise attenuated treatment plans for patients in their 80s and 90s;
• be able to answer the question “Is it worth it for me to get implants at my age?”

Dr. Langer is a graduate of Columbia University School of Dental and Oral Surgery where she also received her certificate in periodontics. In her senior year, she received the Periodontic, Prosthodontic, and Oral Medicine awards. She was associate clinical professor at Columbia for 18 years and was the co-director of the implant program in the Postgraduate Division of Periodontics.

Dr. Langer has been published in the Journal of Periodontology, The International Journal of Periodontics and Restorative Dentistry, and The International Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Implants, and has authored chapters in eight textbooks on the subject of periodontal surgery, subepithelial connective tissue grafts, bone and soft tissue grafting, sinus elevations, and implants.

Dr. Langer is a Diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology, and a Fellow of the Academy of Osseointegration. She was president of the Osseointegration Foundation from 2001 to 2002 and president of the Northeastern Society of Periodontists in 2002. She is the 2006 recipient of the NESP Isador Hirschfeld Award. In 2008, Dr. Langer was awarded the Distinguished Alumnus Award by Columbia University’s Periodontal Alumni Association.

DR. GIORGIO TABANELLA will present Tissue Augmentation for Implant Placement: The Aesthetic Challenge. Periodontal tissue destruction related to periodontitis, occlusal and orthodontic trauma, biologic width violation, mucogingival deformities, and iatrogenic dentistry may lead to multiple teeth loss. The rehabilitation of multiple missing neighboring teeth in aesthetically-demanding areas when associated with advanced soft and hard tissue loss may represent a surgical and aesthetic clinical challenge, especially when the adjacent teeth have a reduced periodontium.

Preservation or creation of a soft tissue scaffold needed to create the illusion of a natural tooth is often difficult to achieve and placement of a dental implant
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in the aesthetic zone is a technique-sensitive procedure with little room for error. Aspects such as periodontal biotype, biological and anatomical potential for tissue regeneration, level of gingival tissues and the nature of the underlying osseous architecture surrounding the ailing tooth will influence the clinical decision-making to achieve optimal “biomimetic” results.

The decision whether implant treatment should be performed is driven ideally by updated evidence-based information, but also by educational background, periodontist clinical experience, access to technology, patient and site risk assessment, predictors of disease, economic aspects, and probabilities and uncertainties of treatment outcome as well as long-term stability of the results.

Furthermore, the maintenance as well as the management of complications may persuade clinicians to follow a conservative periodontal treatment option whether a more sophisticated or definitive way of treating patients with endosseous dental implants: the periodontal diagnosis will lead clinicians to the correct way of treating patients.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this lecture, participants will be able to:

• understand the potential for tissue regeneration in patients with an atrophic crest;
• define the predictors of peri-implant bone loss;
• assess the periodontal risk of performing bone and soft tissue augmentation;
• learn a simplified protocol for soft and hard tissue augmentation;
• tips and tricks on how to give the optical illusion of the pseudopapilla.

Winner of 2016 Tannenbaum/Schoor Resident Competition Announced

The Northeastern Society of Periodontists is pleased to announce the winner of the 2016 Paul Tannenbaum and Robert Schoor Memorial Resident Competition. This year’s winner is Flora Momen Heravi, D.D.S., Ph.D., MPH of Columbia University. Dr. Heravi will be awarded a check for one thousand dollars and will present her case report on the treatment of a patient with aggressive periodontitis during the spring 2017 NESP meeting. All current residents are encouraged to begin submitting papers for submission to this year’s competition. Details regarding the 2017 competition can be found on the NESP website, http://www.nesp.org/. The final date for submissions will be December 1, 2017.

Drs. Tannenbaum and Schoor were consummate educators, clinicians, and mentors to a generation of post-doctoral periodontal residents. The competition honors their memory. Residents are invited to submit case reports that document the treatment of periodontal pathology. Treatment can include implant therapy.

This presentation is supported by a grant from Nobel Biocare.

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This program is offered as an educational course only. The opinions and techniques offered today should be combined with additional educational experiences before considering them in your practice. Attendance at this program does not reflect specialty status, advanced training, specific skills or educational status.

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Since becoming NESP president, I have had the privilege of speaking with many of you. Your passion for and investment in our specialty has led repeatedly to the same questions: How do we keep progressing? What is the future of periodontics? Let me turn these questions back to you. What do you want the future of periodontics to be? And what role will you take to achieve it?

Will you be the go-to periodontist for oral regenerative therapy? As the expert in your area, you would be the one to educate the public and restorative dentists on the periodontist’s ability to regrow bone and soft tissue, vertically and horizontally, to cover roots, dental implants or rebuild a jawbone. You could incorporate bone morphogenetic protein among other growth factors into your practice. The next-generation regenerative tools will be stem-cell derived soft tissue scaffolds and novel bone growth techniques. Will you be the specialist who adopts these technologies first?

You could set yourself apart as the outstanding choice for dental implants, with the regenerative technologies to save failing dental implants and ailing teeth. To enhance osseointegration. To rebuild ridges so they can support implants. You could be the periodontist who employs 3D imaging and computer guidance to place dental implants as accurately as possible with minimal invasiveness and increased patient comfort.

Do you want to be the minimally-invasive periodontist? Do you incorporate lasers into your practice to treat periodontal and peri-implant disease with less trauma, bleeding, or sutures? Have you become certified in the Pinhole® technique, LANAP Deep Pocket Therapy with New Attachment, the VISTA technique or any other additional therapy that is minimally invasive yet provides a predictable outcome with greater comfort? Will you take the fear factor out of gum surgery, osseous surgery, and implants?

Perhaps you will focus on the potentially life-saving study of the perio-systemic link, sharing your knowledge of oral medicine and oral pathology with physicians. You could become a trusted partner in managing complex patients, an expert in the interaction of periodontal disease and health conditions such as diabetes or heart disease. The periodontist who is called upon to give patients clearance before they have orthopedic surgery, open heart surgery, vascular surgery, or radiation therapy.

The future of periodontics, and more importantly the future of your practice, is wide open. The choices you make will raise awareness of our capabilities and reinforce that we are the specialists in all things gum and bone. The specialists who save teeth when possible and place dental implants when necessary. The future of periodontics? The NESP will help provide you with the tools; however, ultimately, the answer is you.

From the Desk of the Executive Director

We have just completed a magnificent year of programming for the NESP and are looking forward to another fabulous year. Our program chair in 2017, Dr. Robert Jaffin, has developed a great program. Please visit our newly-redesigned website www.nesp.org for details. Please also note you can follow us (and “like” us) on Facebook.

Our exhibitors are vital to our organization, and the revenue provided by our exhibitors has enabled us to provide excellence in our meeting. Please support our exhibitors by making purchases at the meeting and thanking them for their participation. Visit our exhibit space to view new products and services that will support your practice. Representatives of our exhibit companies are there to answer all your questions about their products. Please note the names of our Platinum sponsors – these companies provide additional funding over the usual exhibit fee, and that funding is essential to our providing programming excellence.

Looking forward to seeing you at the May 5 meeting. Come early, register for the meeting, and please visit the exhibit hall several times during the day.

Members can access the NESP journal *Periodontal Clinical Investigations* online

Go to the NESP website, click on scientific journal, then on journal articles, and use the password NESPMEMBER (all caps)
In the past couple of years, you may have noticed an ad that the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons periodically runs in JADA and the NYSDJ. The ad asks, “Which surgical specialty has the most experience in placing dental implants?” then gives the answer: “Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons.” At first glance (and even now) the ad raised my blood pressure and I was immediately offended. I was under the impression that all specialists, where dental implants are part of their specialties, were equally trained in the science of dental implants.

I called the ADA and explained my feelings, particularly that, as a periodontist, I didn’t believe any of the other specialties had more experience in placing dental implants and that the ad was misleading the dental public. The only reply received was: the “ADA Publishing Division appreciates hearing from you with your concerns about the AAOMS ad in the October issue of JADA. Advertisements in JADA and ADA News are reviewed to make sure they meet the ADA Advertising Standards. This ad meets those standards.” Most dental publications seem to care only about the added revenue, with clear language of how they do not endorse or approve the advertisement’s content.

Ethically, I had also thought one specialist could not imply they were superior to another specialist when they were trained to do the same procedure as part of their advanced education program. In the ADA’s 2016 Principles of Ethics & Code of Professional Conduct, in section 5.F.2., EXAMPLES OF “FALSE OR MISLEADING”: “d) contain a material, objective representation, whether express or implied, that the advertised services are superior in quality to those of other dentists, if that representation is not subject to reasonable substantiation…. The fundamental issue is whether the advertisement, taken as a whole, is false or misleading in a material respect.” I was surprised to learn the ADA code of ethics applies only to individual dentists and his/her patients, not to ads placed by dental societies in dental journals aimed at fellow dentists and not directly to patients.

The Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) develops, implements, and monitors the accreditation standards for Advanced Specialty Education Programs. There are four specialty programs that include dental implants in their standards: periodontics, oral and maxillofacial surgery, prosthodontics, and endodontics. For endodontics the standards only require the program (section 4-10) “must provide clinical and didactic instruction in…c. Implant dentistry.” For prosthodontics (section 4-22) though, “Students/Residents must be competent in the placement and restoration of dental implants, including referral.” Their “Intent:” is “… Students/Residents should perform surgical placement of dental implants in healed edentulous sites with adequate vertical and horizontal osseous tissue as a part of prosthodontic treatment for patients…” The standards for dental implants for oral and maxillofacial surgery is broader. However, in periodontics the standards are amazingly in-depth and comprehensive. Anyone reading these standards would never believe a periodontist is less experienced than any other specialist placing dental implants.

The word “experience” can also be defined according to Google as “the knowledge or skill acquired by experience over a period of time especially that gained in a particular profession by someone at work.” General Counsel for the AAOMS informed me that oral and maxillofacial surgeons have 4 to 6 years of postgraduate degree training, which was the basis of the ad. Although I pointed out that the 4 to 6 years’ timeframe was not on how much specific experience they received in dental implant training, and I was sure periodontists received equal if not more training, he was not swayed. The only other avenue at this point was to contact The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to determine if they had the authority to investigate the veracity of advertisements in dental journals and prevent the publication of deceptive ads. The FTC is now aware of the advertisement and it will be interesting to see what they say. I hope the ADA, and dental publications in general, will revisit their advertising standards and stop publishing misleading ads. If others feel as I do, please reach out to the ADA and register your dissatisfaction.
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