OSTELOGY BARCELONA 2019

The Scientific Programme – Interview with Professor Araújo

The motto “THE NEXT REGENERATION” combines the Osteology Foundation’s key aspects in Barcelona 2019: on the one hand, the next generation of regenerative therapies, i.e. the latest developments of techniques and technologies; and on the other hand, the next generation of dentists, not only as attendees of the programme, but also featuring upcoming experts in the field of oral tissue regeneration. We spoke to Maurício Araújo in his role as the symposium’s chairman on what this means to the scientific programme in Barcelona in April 2019.

Professor Araújo, the motto of the 2019 Osteology Symposium “THE NEXT REGENERATION” promises amongst other things new topics and new speakers. What did you do to keep this promise?

Maurício Araújo: When we sat down to develop the scientific programme for the symposium, we ensured to always keep the motto of the congress in our mind and to maximise the benefit for the next generation of dentists. This means covering all the hot topics that currently affect dentists’ everyday life in their practice, inviting the next generation of speakers and addressing emerging topics in Oral Regeneration such as the use of digital technologies, PRF, antiresorptive drugs for bone regeneration and use of new materials and techniques for soft tissue surgery.

To focus on a younger generation, it is essential to create new formats. What kind of new formats can a participant expect?

Maurício Araújo: I strongly believe that in the fast-moving world that we live today, we have to be dynamic and interactive when delivering information and education. We have to develop new formats and new educational initiatives. One new interactive format is the case competition where every clinician has the possibility to share his cases with a specific audience and to exchange ideas with other colleagues. Nevertheless, we did our best to consider that experience and caution would also be appreciated by the upcoming generation. Thus, when planning the programme, we tried to inspire the youngsters with novelties and advances, but without forgetting the predictability and humanity.
As you just mentioned, in the context of the International Osteology Symposium, there is a case competition taking place. What can you tell us about this competition?

Maurício Araújo: With this interactive format, you get the opportunity to get the best out of your cases. Share your knowledge and expertise, discuss the cases with colleagues from all over the world and maximise the benefit for your patients. The Osteology Case Session and Competition is a novel format where clinical cases can be submitted online on THE BOX, which is the Foundation's Community Platform, in six different indication categories. The cases will then be reviewed by a jury and the best oral regenerative cases in the six competition categories will be selected for an oral presentation in the Osteology Case Session. The winner in each category will be invited to present their case on stage at Osteology Barcelona in the Osteology Case session and receive free registration to the congress as well as a special certificate. A great chance to present your case to a targeted audience and to actively become part of THE NEXT REGENERATION.

Looking at the programme, what is your personal highlight of this event?

Maurício Araújo: Honestly, I don’t have a personal highlight — everything looks so interesting! But if I had to choose, I would say that the session on ridge preservation and novelties in oral regeneration shouldn’t be missed.

If your colleagues ask you why they should attend Osteology Barcelona, what would you tell them?

Maurício Araújo: You should go because you don’t want loose the chance to learn, hear and discuss the most important topics in our field in a very friendly atmosphere. We will cover everything needed to assure that you are doing the best for your patient. Don’t miss out on this opportunity!
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All information on the programme, workshops, case competition and poster exhibitions as well as registration is available on www.osteology-barcelona.org. The submission period for the case competition is from 14 September 2018 to 31 January 2019.

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