



Academy of Dental Materials Newsletter

James Drummond, Secretary ADM

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Banff Meeting

The annual meeting will be held in Banff, Canada, at the Rimrock Resort Hotel, October 1-3, 1998. The scientific program put together by Bob Erickson is as follows: Can Modern Restorative Procedures and Materials Reliably Seal Cavities? - In Vitro Investigations--Thomas Hilton; Can Modern Restorative Procedures and Materials Reliably Seal Cavities? - In Vivo Investigations--Marco Ferrari; Are Restorative Procedures and Materials Harmful to the Pulp? - In Vitro Investigations--Rory Hume; Are Restorative Procedures and Materials Harmful to the Pulp? - In Vivo Investigations--Gunnar Bergenholtz; Are Fluoride-Releasing Materials Useful for Controlling Caries? - In Vitro Investigations--John Burgess; and Are Fluoride-Releasing Materials Useful for Controlling Caries? - In Vivo Investigations--Dorothy McComb.

E-Mail Addresses:

We are still in the process of obtaining e-mail addresses for all members. Please send your e-mail addresses to: Susanne Scherrer (Susanne.Scherrer@medecine.unige.ch)

Transactions/Abstracts Editor

The Academy is seeking an individual to become the Transactions/Abstracts Editor. This person would review invited papers and abstracts with several other individuals for each meeting and then organize and send to the printer the manuscripts and abstracts. Anyone interested should contact Jack Ferracane (ferracan@ohsu.edu)

Editor Search

Candidates are being reviewed with the goal of the new editor assuming duties by July 1, 1998.

Editor's Report: Vickie Marker

After seven years as editor and publisher of Dental Materials, the recent delays have been a great source of disappointment to me. I learned several years ago that it was not possible for one person to do both the editing and publishing. But early last year when the managing editor had to leave for personal reasons, I had a memory lapse. Because I had announced my resignation as editor, I thought I could do both jobs and just struggle through the short term without additional help. Unfortunately, the daunting workload plus a number of distractions resulted in unacceptably long delays in the response-time to authors and an enormous gap in the publishing schedule.

Perhaps, there was a silver lining! It had become obvious that self-publishing Dental Materials was not realistic. With the consent of the ADM board, I began the search for a publisher. After a lengthy process and a lot of support from the President and other board members, it is a delight to announce that Elsevier will be taking over the publication of the journal beginning with Vol. 14 for 1998. They will produce a paper version and the journal will be available on-line through their webpage. Instructions to access this version of the journal will be supplied as soon as the first issue is available.

Now that the publication process has been settled, the board can move forward with its efforts to select a new editor just as I am moving forward in my efforts to get the journal back on schedule. All of the editor's decisions have been made for the last few issues of 1997 and the first issues of 1998. Now, it is simply a matter of publishing the papers. The following schedule is my best estimate of the publishing schedule: Vol 13.3 (mailed by the third week in March), Vol. 13.4 (mailed by the second week in April), Vol. 13.5/6 (mailed by the fourth week in April) and Vol. 14.1 (mailed by the second week of May). I will make every effort to accelerate this time-table and I am confident that Elsevier will attempt to get all of Vol. 14 published within the calendar year.

Please accept my sincere gratitude to the authors and readers of Dental Materials for your understanding and patience. Beginning with Vol. 14, the publication responsibilities will be handled by Elsevier so the editor will be able to response quickly to manuscripts submitted to the journal. Thank you for your continued support of Dental Material.

Thanks to Vickie

The job of editor is an extremely time consuming task that never ends and only allows one to accumulate enemies in direct proportion to the number of volumes published. The Executive Board and all of the members of the Academy wish to thank Vickie for a tremendous effort in publishing Dental Materials for the past seven years and the best of luck in the future.

THANKS, VICKIE

Upcoming Meetings:

June 22, 1998 (pre-IADR), Nice, France
October 1-3, 1998, Banff, Canada