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President's Message

The American Academy of Craniomaxillofacial Surgeons is a young organization, but it feels as if we have been together for many years. For those who have been with the Academy since the beginning, our raison d'être is clear but it is amazing how many Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons I meet who have either not heard of the Academy, don't know who we are or what we are trying to accomplish. Some of these questions can be answered by stating what we are not. We are not a "splinter" organization or

attempting to overthrow another organization nor are we group of elitist surgeons who have formed a secret society with limited membership. With our roots in the Timberland Society, we formed the organization to provide us with something that was missing in our other professional organizations. To me, the AACMFS gives surgeons and other medical or dental professionals a forum to present ideas that is collegial, impactful and free from the myriad of distractions that can be present at other meetings. Furthermore, it provides a unique network of like-minded surgeons and scientists who share similar values, goals and challenges. Our previous leaders of the Academy are a true tour-de-force of clinical and academic Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. It is an absolute honor and privilege to serve as the President of the Academy this year and I hope to carry on the principle and integrity of those who have served before me.

As we come off our annual meeting in San Antonio, it seems each year the meeting gets better and better. The abstracts presented by our Fellows, guest, and trainees are at the highest level of academic achievement and would garner praise at any meeting. In 2017, we instituted an Abstract Award for each of our four disciplines. This award provides a small monetary award for the winners when the abstract is published with recognition of the presentation at the AACMFS meeting. I would like to offer my congratulations to this year's award winners and to all of the abstract presenters who make up the heart and soul of the meeting. Thank you, Dr. Ellis for your hospitality and leadership over the past year.

This past year, the executive committee has worked with its new management company, PAMI in transitioning administration of the Academy from Pfiedler Enterprises. I would like to thank Julie Kneedler and her staff at Pfiedler Enterprises for providing us with the support and behind the scenes work that was so critical in the formation of this organization. Hank Holderfield and Melissa Connor have been working with us during the transition period and have a vast amount of experience with administration of other associations. I look forward to working with PAMI going forward and I hope you get a chance to meet and interact with them in the future.

PAMI has already been instrumental in planning for the annual meeting in 2020 as well as the formation of an AACMFS educational foundation. This will be a 501 (c)(3) entity that will provide the AACMFS with a place to accept donations and potentially produce educational and research grant opportunities in the future.

Finally, the AACMFS has taken on the administration of the fellowship match. Previously known as MORSMatch, with its new home at AACMFS, the name has changed to the AACMFS Match. Additionally, the scope of the match has also changed to include not only Oncology and Microvascular Surgical Fellowships but also Cleft and Craniofacial Fellowships. This is obviously a huge responsibility and new territory for our young organization but the suitability of the match being housed and administered with the AACMFS could not be more appropriate. As of this writing, the

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2019 American Academy of Craniomaxillofacial Surgeons Annual Meeting Highlights

The 2019 Annual Meeting of the AACMFS rewarded attendees with an engaging educational program, as well as ample opportunities to network with peers during social events.

The Scientific Program featured two dynamic keynote speakers: David Jimenez, MD who show-cased minimally invasive techniques for pediatric craniofacial patients, and Ken Hargreaves, DDS, PhD who discussed improved strategies for managing pain and inflammation.

As in the past, abstract presenters explored a variety of research and case study findings, with a focus on addressing common challenges in craniomaxillofacial surgery, and integrating advancements in bioengineering and technology. After a short presentation by each abstract presenter, a pair of moderators led a thoughtful and insightful audience discussion.



David Jimenez, MD



Ken Hargraves DDS, PhD

Attendee comments were overwhelming positive, and included specific 'take home messages' such as: "decrease opioid use", "modify post-op pain control regimen", "evaluate/ use tissue engineering for mandibular reconstruction", "use of stem cells/biologics for bone grafting", "evaluate new planning software", "use of endoscopy for cranioplasty", "develop in-house workflow for virtual surgical planning", "use of 3D printing". About sixty percent of respondents indicated they intend to consider/evaluate, or incorporate a new approach, technique or technology into clinical practice, and improve their pain management care.

The Thursday evening reception had an enthusiastic attendance at a fun Tex-Mex venue, and offered time for casual conversation. The Black Tie Dinner tradition was held at the Briscoe Western Art Museum, allowing time to browse the fascinating exhibits and art. Dinner with colleagues followed, enjoyed by all.

A sincere note of appreciation to Edward Ellis III, DDS, the President, who led this Annual Meeting, as well as the Planning Committee, Section Chairs and Moderators who gave of their time.



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Thank you Sponsors of our 2019 Annual Meeting!



2018 Abstract Winners Published in Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

October 2018

"CTA Perforator Localization for Virtual Surgical Planning of Osteocutaneous Fibular Free Flaps in Head and Neck Reconstruction" *Kyle Ettinger, DDS, MD* May 2019

May 2019

"The Effect of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Curriculum on USML Examination Step 1 Performance" Adam Fagin, DMD, MD

August 2019

"Intraoperative Depth of Invasion is Accurate in Early Stage Oral Cavity Squamous Cell Carcinoma" *Justine Moe, MD, DDS*

Fellow Nominations: Submit Your Candidates Today!

It is again time to start working on new Fellows and Post Graduate Members to be inducted into the AACMFS next May. We encourage each current Fellow to submit the names of two individuals you want to sponsor for membership. The process is easy and takes only a few minutes. Sponsorship, Qualifications and Categories of membership are outlined below.

Sponsorship. Each candidate for membership must be sponsored by a current Active Fellow. A Fellow may sponsor for membership two (2) new candidates per calendar year; this right will not be affected by sponsorship of holdover candidates.

Categories and Qualifications of Membership.

Each candidate for membership must show recognized contributions in the field of craniomaxillofacial surgery as a prerequisite to membership as demonstrated by academic, clinical and research accomplishments, leadership, and contributions to craniomaxillofacial surgery. Further, each Member shall be designated as an Active Fellow, an Emeritus Fellow, an Associate Follow, an Honorary Fellow, or a Distinguished Fellow.

Active Fellows. Candidates for Active Fellowship must be certified by the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery or by the Canadian equivalent. Active Fellows shall have engaged in the practice of oral and maxillofacial surgery for two years following residency training and must be Board Certified. A substantial component of this practice shall have been major hospital-based craniomaxillofacial surgery as interpreted by the Membership Committee. The Candidate will electronically submit a case log of all cases operated as a primary/responsible surgeon, within the 12 months preceding consideration of their application in an Excel document in the format of the case log requirement of the American College of Surgeons. The Candidate's CV, application and case log should document significant activity that must include:

a. Performance of major craniomaxillofacial surgery during the preceding 12 months;

b. Participation in clinical and/or basic research, particularly in projects funded following peer review;

c. Publication of the results of innovative thought, data gathering research projects, and thorough reviews of controversial issues in peer-reviewed scientific media;

d. Presentation at scientific meetings and/or continuing education courses at the local, regional, or national level.

e. Active involvement in the education and training of residents and fellows in Craniomaxillofacial surgery.

Emeritus Fellows. If an Active Fellow retires from the clinical practice of craniomaxillofacial surgery, he or she then will become an Emeritus Fellow. Emeritus Fellows do not pay dues and are not eligible to hold office but are eligible to vote.

Associate Fellows. Associate Fellows will be Board certified surgeons in allied medical/surgical specialties such as Otorhinolaryngology, Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, General Surgery, Neurosurgery, etc., and non U. S. or Canadian Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons who otherwise meet the criteria for Fellowship. Associate Fellows may also be doctorate level individuals in other non-medical/surgical specialties such as speech pathology, or researchers with significant commitment/dedication to craniomaxillofacial surgery. Associate Fellows must pay dues but are not eligible to vote or hold office.

Honorary Fellows. Honorary Fellows will be those craniomaxillofacial surgeons or others who have had notable careers and who are otherwise ineligible for fellowship but who are elected to Membership by majority vote of the Active Fellows. Honorary Members do not pay dues and are not eligible to vote or hold office.

Distinguished Fellows. The Executive Committee may recommend to the Board of the Academy, Fellows for election to Distinguished Fellowship in the Academy. Fellows recommended for election to Distinguished Fellowship in the Academy shall have rendered distinguished service to the specialty and to the Academy. Election is by unanimous vote of the Fellows present at the annual meeting. Distinguished Fellows of the Academy do not pay dues, and are not eligible to vote or hold office.

Post Graduate Member. The applicant must be an Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon who has completed residency training but who does not yet meet the requirements for Active Fellows. The applicant must be recommended by an Active Fellow sponsor. A substantial component of the applicant's practice shall be major hospital-based craniomaxillofacial surgery as interpreted by the Membership Committee.

Postgraduate membership shall be for a maximum of 5 years after board certification.

Post graduate membership is not required to become an Active Fellow nor does it guarantee nor imply entrance into active fellowship.

The postgraduate member pays Academy dues and may attend meetings but is not eligible to vote or hold office.

Process. Submit a letter of nomination to Melissa Connor at the principal office of the AACMFS. Send to **mconnor@pami.org**. Be sure to include the name and address of the nominee plus their email address. She will send the appropriate application to the nominee and copy you on the correspondence.

2019 Membership Report

The AACMFS now has a total of 192 members. There are 160 Fellows, 8 Post Graduate Members, 1 Associate Member, 5 Emeritus Fellows, 6 Honorary Fellows and 1 Distinguished Fellow. This year there were 14 applications for Fellow, 1 Associate Fellow and 2 Post Graduate Members. The AACMFS continues to grow and we ask that you submit nominees as outlined in the by-laws.

Fellows

David Alfi, DDS, MD Genevieve Chiasson, DMD, FRCD Nam Cho, DDS, MD Joli Chou, DMD, MD, FACS Mark Egbert, DDS Brett Ferguson, DDS, FACS, FICD Steven Kupferman, DMD, MD, FACS Aaron Liddell, DMD, MD, MD, FACS Mark Miller, DMD, MD Robert Nadeau, DDS, MD Srinivas Susarla, DMD, MD, MPH Richard Tannyhill, DDS, MD Jennifer Woerner, DMD, MD David M. Yates, DMD, MD, FACS

Associate Fellow Felix Sim, FRACDS, MFDS, MBBS

Grad Fellow

Stavan Patel, DDS, MD Kyle S. Ettinger, MD, DDS George Zakhary, DDS, MD

President's Message Continues

first match cycle is complete and the candidates and programs have been notified of the results on July 1, 2019. The match results is also posted on the AACMFS website.

Next year's AACMFS meeting will be in my adopted home town of Shreveport, Louisiana. It will be at the fabulous Horseshoe Casino Hotel on May 8-9, 2020 and our program promises to be as enlightening as ever with keynote addresses and abstract sessions along with plenty of time for discussion. I have planned for social activities to reflect some of the character and flavor of Louisiana. So, get your abstracts ready for submission and come visit Louisiana in 2020 for another great AACMFS Annual Meeting!

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Awards for Abstract Presentations at Annual Meeting

Abstract awardees were announced at the final social gathering. In addition to a certificate, abstract awardees will be given a \$500 cash award from the AACMFS upon evidence of peer reviewed publication noting the presentation and awarded abstract at the AACMFS annual meeting.

2019 Award Winners:

Trauma

"Examination of Traumatic Emphysema in the Head and Neck" Marshall Newman, DMD

Pediatrics, Craniofacial and Orthognathic Surgery

"TMJ Lavage with Intra-Articular Corticosteroids for Patients with JIA: How Well Does it Work and How Long Does it Last" *Sara Hinds Anderson, DDS*

Education, Training and Research "Political Preferences of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons: The Elephant (or Donkey) in the Room" *Yisi Daisy Ji, DMD*

Craniomaxillofacial Reconstructive Surgery "Role of Intraoperative Mean Arterial Pressure in Head and Neck Free Flap Success" *Anastasiya Quimby, DDS, MD*

Head and Neck Oncology "The Effect of Chronic Immunosuppression on Head and Neck Malignancies" *Fawaz Alotaibi, DDS*

By-laws Update: International Fellows

3.3.4 <u>International Fellows</u>. International Fellows will be Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons who shall have engaged in the practice of oral and maxillofacial surgery for two years following training and must be Board Certified or its equivalent. The application process and candidate evaluation is the same as for Active Fellows. International Fellows must pay dues but are not eligible to vote or hold office.

The current and most up-to-date version of the AACMFS By-laws have been posted on the AACMFS website. We encourage all members to familiarize yourself with them as they impact your continued membership in the AACMFS. You will note that all active fellows and post graduate members must pay dues. Please watch for your online dues renewal coming at the beginning of August 2019. Members who do not pay dues are dropped from the membership. Also, you will note that members must attend at least one annual meeting every three years. Click here to review the by-laws: http://www.aacmfs.org/about/ leadership/

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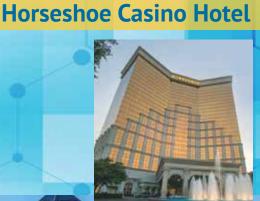


Annual Meeting

May 8-9, 2020

Shreveport, LA

Board Meeting: May 7 **Scientific Session:** May 8 - 9 **Business Meeting:** May 9



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2020 Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Craniomaxillofacial Surgeons May 8-9, 2020 Horsehoe Casino Hotel, Shreveport, LA CALL FOR ABSTRACTS-DUE FEBRUARY 1, 2020

Oral Abstracts for presentation at the AACMFS Annual Meeting will be the focal point of the Scientific Session and must be submitted to **mconnor@pami.org** by February 1, 2020 to be reviewed and accepted.

A 500-word limit for abstracts that includes:

- •Concise title of the clinical study or research [abstract]
- •List of all authors with academic/professional credentials
- •Academic and/or Clinical Institution name which supported/participated in the study
- •Presenter name & credentials*
- •Headings as relevant:
 - Purpose
 - Materials and Methods
 - Results and Conclusions

Abstracts may focus on basic/scientific, translational or clinical in nature, including case reports which would likely

elicit robust discussion. Each abstract presentation will be no more than 5 minutes in length followed by an allotted time for discussion. Upon acceptance, authors will be notified of final presentation and discussion times.

Abstracts will be considered for the following sections: 1. Pediatrics, Craniofacial and Orthognathic Surgery

- 2. Head and Neck Oncology
- 3. Craniomaxillofacial Trauma Surgery
- 4. Craniomaxillofacial Reconstructive Surgery
- 5. Education, Training and Research

*Abstracts may be presented by one of your institution's fellows; however a 'Fellow/Member of the AACMFS' must be one of the authors.

Please consider the opportunity of sharing your work with your colleagues.