

## BOSTON SCIENTIFIC SESSION



*Joseph P. Vacanti, MD  
Surgeon-in-Chief  
Massachusetts General  
Hospital for Children*

The 2014 AACMFS Annual meeting featured two keynote speakers. On Friday morning, Dr. Joseph Vacanti presented, "From Transplantation to Tissue Engineering". Dr. Vacanti has been working in the field of tissue engineering since its beginnings in the early 1980s, a mission that stems from his longheld interest in solving the problem of organ shortages. Over the last 11 years, Dr. Vacanti has studied creating complete vascular networks as part of implantable tissue engineered devices which then allows the fabrication of large, complex living structures such as vital organs, extremities or craniofacial reconstruction.

On Saturday morning, Dr. David King who was a runner in the Boston marathon and went directly to the hospital to care for the injured, presented "Bombing: From Baghdad to Bagram to Boston". The story he told was not only of his personal experience, but included the importance of the trauma team in planning the care of patients with multiple injuries suffered in bombing incidents.

The scientific session of the annual meeting was comprised of presentations by fellows. The format was a 15 minutes presentation with 5 minute discussion. Presentations focused on research and education covering trauma, education/training/manpower, pediatric craniofacial surgery and head and neck oncology and reconstruction. The members provided a critique of the studies presented with implications for changes in practice and the need for further study in the field of craniomaxillofacial surgery. The evaluation was very positive. Overall the fellows felt it was a great meeting and look forward to 2014.



*David R. King, MD,  
FACS, LTC, MC, USAR  
Director, Knight  
Surgical Research  
Laboratory  
Massachusetts General  
Hospital*

## RECAP OF BUSINESS MEETING – BOSTON

### Presidential Address

The presidential address was given by Dr. Kaban. He outlined education mentoring and research and how it related to the future of craniomaxillofacial surgery.

He then went on to preside over the business meeting which included various reports and actions taken by the members.

There were eighty seven Founding Fellows accepted into the AACMFS at this year's meeting. Despite busy schedules, 53 members attended the annual meeting in Boston.

Dr. Wong reviewed the finances and invited the members to suggest strategies to secure financial security of the organization. Dr. Helfrick presented the by-law revisions and changes which were approved by the membership.



*Leonard B. Kaban,  
DMD, MD, FACS  
Immediate Past  
President AACMFS*

July 2013

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Executive Director*



*Julie Kneedler, RN, EdD  
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## ATTENTION FELLOWS!

Have you nominated your 2 new members? Please send the names and email addresses of the two nominees to [julie@aacmfs.org](mailto:julie@aacmfs.org). **Essential – five years practice post training AAOMS Certification and CV/Case Log.** Applications will be sent to the nominees immediately with instructions as to what they should submit and the timeframe for submission.

**We need to have the entire process completed by December 2013 so the new members can register to attend the 2014 annual meeting.**

## ACCMFS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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### Members at Large:

Bonnie Padwa, DMD, MD – 1 year  
 Timothy A. Turvey, DDS – 2 years

### Your 2013 Board of Directors



From left to right: Dr's Kim, Costello, Wong, Helfrick, Kaban, Bell, Ward, Kelly, Turvey, Dierks. Not shown: Ruiz, Ellis, Padwa

The last item of business was the motion to accept the founding fellows/honorary fellows into the ACCMFS. All were presented a certificate of induction as founding fellows/honorary fellows. See page 4 for list of Founding Fellows.

## SUMMER AT THE TIMBERLINE

*"Summer was our best season: it was sleeping on the back screened porch in cots, or trying to sleep in the treehouse; summer was everything good to eat; it was a thousand colors in a parched landscape."*  
 – Harper Lee, To Kill a Mockingbird



R. Bryan Bell, MD, DDS, FACS  
*President*  
 American Academy of  
 Craniomaxillofacial Surgeons

In the summer of 2009, 55 academic and hospital-based oral and maxillofacial surgeons from 5 different countries and 39 states converged at Timberline Lodge on Mt. Hood in Oregon to discuss ways to advance the specialty and the care of patients with oral, head and neck cancer, craniomaxillofacial trauma, and congenital or developmental deformity. There was passionate engagement from all those present as issues were discussed relative to oral and maxillofacial surgery,

including: education and training, research, and clinical care. While it was not foreseen at the time, the seeds of a new organization were sown at that meeting.

On August 10, 2012, in Boston, Massachusetts, the vision of a new professional society dedicated to the advancement of academic and hospital-based oral and maxillofacial surgery became reality: the American Academy of Craniomaxillofacial Surgeons (AACMFS) was born. Less than a year later, legal status as an organization was obtained, bylaws were ratified, and on June 2, 2013, 89 Founding Fellows of the AACMFS received their certificates of membership into the Academy.

### A great example

Some might ask, "why do we need another society"? To those inquires, I would respond in the words of Alexis de Tourqueville, who in 1831 said of Americans that "...if it is proper to inculcate some truth or to foster some feeling by the encouragement of a great example, they form a society".

And so we have done just that—we have formed a society of 'great example'. A society whose members are invited to be included based upon accomplishment and demonstrable engagement in academic and hospital-based craniomaxillofacial surgery.

The AACMFS was created to serve as an independent vehicle for academic discourse and the exchange of ideas; for the advancement of the specialty as it pertains to issues of hospital based craniomaxillofacial surgery; and especially, for the improvement of patient care. Importantly, the AACMFS was not formed to compete with our primary parent organization (AAOMS), nor is it meant to foster division within the specialty based upon degree. We have included language in our bylaws that ensures this by limiting membership to 10% of AAOMS membership, and by including oral and maxillofacial surgeons regardless of degree.

### Keep going

On May 30, 2014 we will return again to Oregon for our annual meeting. I encourage all members to identify and propose for fellowship 2 oral and maxillofacial surgeons who are 5 years out of training and who have demonstrated excellence in clinical care, research, teaching or service as it relates to oral, head and neck oncology; craniomaxillofacial trauma and reconstructive or craniofacial surgery. Please begin to organize your research or other scholarly activity now for presentation at the meeting, which promises to provide an intimate environment in which to interact with many of this country's preeminent surgeons.

This past year, our specialty lost one of its greatest champions for academic, hospital based maxillofacial surgery: R.V. Walker. Dr. Walker would have been the consummate AACMFS fellow, having given his entire professional life to his beloved specialty, residents and patients. The last time I saw him, in the halls of the 2011 AAOMS meeting in Chicago, I asked his advice on a couple of specialty related matters. As usual, he gave sage advice, smiled and patted me on the back. His last words to me were, "keep going".

**See you in Oregon next year!!**

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The incredible growth and development of craniomaxillofacial surgery in the last 40 years is due in great part to our “Partners in Progress”: the corporations which have provided us with various instruments, devices and equipment that have allowed surgeons to consistently provide high quality patient care. CMFS, by definition, is highly technical surgery and is dependent on sophisticated treatment planning and surgical instrumentation. The consistent support provided by our corporate colleagues is critical to the advancement of CMFS, is highly valued and we salute our partners in progress!

## 2014 AMERICAN ACADEMY OF CRANIOMAXILLOFACIAL SURGEONS ANNUAL MEETING

### The Nines Hotel

525 S. W. Morrison Ave  
Portland, Oregon 97205



### AACMFS 2013 -14 DUES NOTICE

Current Fellows: The member dues for this year have been set at \$250. A dues notice will be sent to all members by August 1, 2013. Dues should be mailed to the AACMFS at 2101 S. Blackhawk Street, Suite 250, Aurora, Colorado 80014 by December 31, 2013.

Nominees for Membership: All nominees submitting application for membership must submit \$250 with their application by December 31, 2013. If for some reason a nominee does not meet criteria for membership their application fee will be refunded.

### TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

#### Friday, May 30, 2014

8:00 – 12:00 pm	Business Meeting
1:00 – 5:00 pm	Scientific Session
6:00 pm	Welcome Reception

#### Saturday, May 31, 2014

8:00 – 2:00 pm	Scientific Session
1:00 – 5:00 pm	Scientific Session
6:30 pm	Gala Dinner

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Dome - First  
annual meeting



**AACMFS FOUNDING FELLOWS**

**2013 Founding**

**Fellows:**

*Shelly Abramowicz  
Kevin Arce  
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Jonathan Bailey  
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Eric Dierks  
Jasjit Dillon  
Thomas Dodson*

*Bruce Donoff  
Sean Edwards  
Edward Ellis III  
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John Helfrick  
Joseph Helman  
Alan Herford  
David Hirsch  
Jon Holmes  
Bruce Horswell  
James Hupp  
Michael Jaskolka  
Leonard Kaban  
Deepak Kademani  
John Kelly  
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Antonia Kolokythas  
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Joshua Lubek  
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Joseph McCain*

*Shawn McClure  
Pushkar Mehra  
Roger Meyer  
Brett Miles  
Michael Miloro  
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Robert Ord  
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Bonnie Padwa  
Zachary Peacock  
David Perrott  
Joseph Picuch  
Phillip Pirgousis  
Tony Pogrel  
Jeffrey Posnick  
Bryce Potter  
David Precious  
Faisal Quereshey  
Likith Reddy  
Steven Roser  
Ramon Ruiz  
Andrew Salama  
Steven Schendel  
Brian Schmidt  
Martin Steed  
Barry Steinberg*

*James Swift  
Paul Tiwana  
Maria Troulis  
Timothy Turvey  
Luis Vega  
Peter Waite  
Brent Ward  
Fayette Williams  
Mark Wong*

**2013 Honorary  
Fellows:**

*William H. Bell  
Walter Guralnick*



**Group photo taken at the May 2013 Annual Meeting in Boston, MA**