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Rui Fernandes, DMD, MD

I am pleased to address you as the Academy's President for 2021- 2022. I am deeply thankful for this opportunity to serve you for the coming year. Our plans for the April 2022 Jacksonville meeting are well underway. The meeting will be held at One Ocean Resort in Atlantic Beach, FL. The resort and the surrounding area have a plethora of opportunities for dining and entertainment. Our meeting will have a casual feel with social events both Friday and Saturday evenings. We are planning a special dinner event on Saturday that will be held at the beach with great food and live entertainment. Our scientific sessions will continue with the standard abstracts and keynote speakers that you have grown accustomed to, but will also offer pre-conference workshops on various subspecialty topics. The workshops will be held at some of our local cadaveric labs. Please save the date for the meeting which will begin on Thursday, April 21st and close on Sunday, April 24th.

My initiatives for the coming year will offer opportunities for fellows across all levels in the Academy. The **Microvascular Flap course** will be held November 5-7th. For our early-career colleagues, we will be unveiling the **Traveling Fellowship Grants**. This grant will allow for an overseas experience at an institution selected by the grant recipient as well as attendance at the country's national meeting. For our mid-career fellows, we are developing a one-day course currently slated for Fall of 2022 that will focus on **Career Advancement and Leadership Skills**. We are very excited to share with you continued opportunities to be involved in your Academy. Lastly, the call for Abstracts for the upcoming meeting is open now and will close Jan. 7, 2022. If you are interested in presenting at the meeting, please see our instructions on page 3. We look forward to seeing you in 2022.

2020-2021



Ramon Ruiz, DMD, MD

It was Sir Winston Churchill who said "success is not final, failure is not fatal; it is the courage to continue that counts." As you read this newsletter, it is my hope that your personal and professional lives have returned to a greater sense of normalcy following these unprecedented times. Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, our Board has been busy moving forward with the operational and strategic objectives of the Academy.

As you know, the 2020 annual meeting and scientific sessions had to be cancelled, due to previous travel restrictions related to the pandemic, and the 2021 meeting was also moved from April to October. Even with these challenges, a robust scientific program was possible with more than 40 abstract presentations from the training centers. In maintaining the tradition started by our first President,

Dr. Lenny Kaban, our meeting also included inspirational and thought-provoking keynote presentations covering topics related to fetal surgery, metacognition in surgery, and advocacy in a time of gun violence. I want to thank our keynote speakers; Samer K. Ebabaa, MD, FAAP, FAANS, FACS; Brent A. Golden, DDS, MD, FACS; and Marc S. Levy, MD, FACS for their contributions to our meeting's success. We also want to thank our 2021 educational sponsors (KLS Martin, Stryker, DePuy Synthes, 3D Systems, Axogen) for their continued loyalty and support. I would like to personally thank Brent Ward, Rui Fernandes, and David Kim for their guidance and support with every aspect of the meeting. Finally, the contributions of Melissa Connor and Hank Holderfield to the success our Academy cannot be overstated. Melissa and Hank navigated numerous complexities, managed a successful scientific meeting, and maintained forward

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Scenes from the 2nd Annual AACMFS Fellows Course in Jacksonville, FL: November 5-7, 2021



from Dr. Ruiz's message

momentum in all aspects of the Academy's business. We are immensely grateful for their skill, professionalism, and commitment to our group.

Ongoing educational and strategic initiatives of the Academy were presented at the annual Business Meeting with the announcement of the newly formed AACMFS Foundation, a 501(c)3 organization with the goal of further advancing educational and training opportunities. The membership voted to induct 23 new Fellows into the Academy and approved the appointment of Dr. Donita Dyalram as Reconstructive Surgery Trustee, Dr. Michael Jaskolka as Pediatric Craniofacial/Orthognathic Surgery Trustee, and Dr. Steven Roser as AACMFS Historian. The membership also unanimously nominated Dr. Jeffrey C. Posnick for Distinguished Fellowship in the Academy.

I would like to thank the AACMFS for the opportunity to serve as your President over the past year. I am humbled by this honor and excited about the future our Academy and specialty.

Annual American Academy of Craniomaxillofacial Surgeons Meeting

2022

Thursday, Friday & Saturday
April 21-23, 2022
One Ocean Resort
Atlantic Beach, FL

The AACMFS meeting will showcase findings and recommendations of clinical research and trials, thus sparking lively, thought-provoking discussion. Engage with your peers, addressing pressing needs and issues in craniomaxillofacial surgery, and potential innovations and strategies to meet these challenges head-on! The format is mini-presentations of selected abstracts, followed by moderator led discussion. Call for Abstracts are now open until Jan. 7, 2022. Surgeon attendees may take away novel solutions, and augment care choices for their patients.

On Thursday, April 21 we will hold a hands-on workshop at local labs in Jacksonville. We look forward to having you and your fellows participate in cadaver skills training. All meeting attendees are invited to join in socializing and networking at the Friday evening reception held in the beautiful One Ocean Beach Resort. Academy members and meeting presenters may attend the Saturday night beach party. The AACMFS Annual Meeting is a private meeting for Fellows of the Academy, their invited presenters and distinguished guests.



Call for Abstracts:

Deadline: January 7, 2022

Abstracts for oral presentation at the AACMFS Annual Meeting will be the focal point of the Scientific Session. Please submit to Sharon Sky at shar@EducateBeyondSW.com by January 7, 2022 for review and acceptance.

A 500-word limit for abstracts that includes:

- Concise title of the clinical study or research (abstract)
- Indicate for which one of the five specialty sections the paper is being submitted (see list below)
- 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 aspects of care, 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 date/time.

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

Please consider the opportunity of sharing your work with colleagues!

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



AACMFS MATCH

WELCOME PURPOSE APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS HEAD & NECK ONCOLOGY CLEFT & CRANIOFACIAL SURGERY OTHER CRANIO & MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY IMPORTANT DATES

AACMFS Match Successful for 2021

TOTAL APPLICANTS: 33

HIGHLIGHTS:

- 1) Other Cranio & Maxillofacial Surgery and their programs
 - Added University of Michigan TMJ and Orthognathic Surgery
- 2) Head & Neck
 - Added Boston University Henry M. Goldman School of DM
 - Added Ascension Macomb-Oakland Hospital (two fellowships)

FELLOWSHIP MATCH RESULTS

Out of a total of 33 candidates:

- 18 matched;
- 13 got their first choice;
- 3 got their second choice;
- 2 got their third choice;
- 15 did not match.

Out of a total of 20 positions at 19 programs:

- 18 positions were filled at 17 programs;
- 11 programs got their first choice;
- o One program that had two openings, got its first and second choice;
- 3 programs got their second choice;
- 2 programs got their third choice;
- 1 program got its fifth choice;
- 1 program got its sixth choice;
- 2 positions at 2 programs were not filled.

2021 HEAD AND NECK ONCOLOGY (10):

Ascension Macomb-Oakland Hospital - Daniel Atencio
 John Peter Smith Hospital - Jonathan Jelmini
 Louisiana State University - Ross Brockman
 North Memorial Hospital - Leslie Halpern
 Providence Cancer Institute - Nicholas Bial
 University of Alabama at Birmingham - Alex Afshar
 University of Florida - Jacksonville - Ashleigh Weyh & Majid Rezaei
 University of Maryland - Cameron Lee
 University of Michigan - James Jeong
 UT Health Science - Salah Al Din Al Azri

2021 CLEFT & CRANIO SURGERY (6):

Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children - Jeffrey Marschall
 Charleston Area Medical Center - Paramjeet Sagoo
 El Paso Cleft & Craniofacial - Gabriel Hayek
 Florida Craniofacial Institute - Robert Weiss
 University of Florida - Jacksonville - Stephen Moreno
 University of Oklahoma - Brett Spennath

OTHER CRANIOFACIAL & MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY (1):

University of Toronto In TMJ and Orthognathic Surgery - Benjamin Rogala

Membership Update

233 TOTAL MEMBERS

3 Associate Member
 1 Distinguished Member
 12 Emeritus Members
 179 Fellows
 6 Honorary Members
 3 International
 14 Post Grad Fellows

Provisional Candidates
 Fellows: 10
 Post Grad: 5

New Emeritus Members:
 Bruce Donoff, DMD, MD
 Thomas Jeter, DDS, MD
 Jeffrey Topf, DDS
 James Wilson, DDS

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Fawaz Alotaibi
 Dhafer Alsuweid
 Dina Amin
 Jim Bates
 Anthony Bunnell
 Kevin Coppelson
 Caroline Dicus-Brookes
 Elda Fisher
 Jordan Gigliotti
 Brent Golden
 Mark Green
 Jeff Hajubandeh
 Leslie Halpern
 Paul Kloostra
 Justine Moe
 Stacey Nedrud
 Marshall Newman
 Neel Patel
 Edward Santee
 Rodney Shackelford
 Raymond Shupak
 Joshua Stone
 Aaron Wallender

54 members have not renewed their membership. If you haven't renewed, click here to pay your 2020-2022 dues:

<https://www.123signup.com/renew?Org=aacmfs>

Email your nomination for membership to Melissa at mconnor@pami.org.