ICOI Spring Symposium set for Las Vegas

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Blade implants in treatment of thin ridges

Indications and techniques

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Group’s annual event heads to the Bellagio Hotel for a sixth time

By Craig Johnson
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That old bromide, “nothing succeeds like success,” is very appropriate when it comes to the ICOI and its devotion to Las Vegas and the Bellagio Hotel. The International Congress of Oral Implantologists (ICOI) will return to the Bellagio for the sixth time as it hosts the spring implant symposium from May 16–18.

Dr. Michael Pikos is the scientific chair for the three-day conference of dental implant continuing education opportunities. The theme for this spring symposium will be “The Maxilla: Single Tooth to Full-Arch Reconstruction.”

Attendees will be exposed to a group of experienced private practice and academic-based clinicians who will share their wealth of knowledge in a friendly and scientific environment. The general session will commence at 1 p.m. on Thursday, May 16, and conclude on Saturday, May 18, at 6:30 p.m.

Main podium speakers, in order of their appearance, are Dr. Jaime L. Lozada, Dr. Giuseppe Cardaropoli, Dr. Joseph Kan, Dr. Michael Sonick, Dr. Randolph R. Resnik, Dr. Natalie Wong, Dr. Marc L. Nevins, Dr. Ernesto Lee, Lee Culp, CDT, Dr. Michael Pikos, Dr. Kevin Murphy, Dr. Abdelsalam Elaskary, Dr. Marc L. Nevins, Dr. Ernesto Lee, Lee Culp, CDT, Dr. Michael Pikos, Dr. Kevin Murphy, Dr. Abdelsalam Elaskary, Dr. George F. Priest, Dr. Alvaro J. Ordonez, Dr. Tara Agahalo, Dr. Craig M. Misch, Dr. Howard Chasolen, Dr. Aldo Leopardi, Dr. Georgios Romanos, Dr. Paulo Malo, Dr. Carl E. Misch, and Arthur W. Curley, Esq.

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The general session will be preceded by several pre-symposium workshops that will take place on Thursday morning.

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- Dr. Miguel Stanley will present a course on treatment planning titled “Practice Building Through Simplified Advanced Techniques,” sponsored by MIS.
- Dr. David Wong’s course, sponsored by DENTSPLY Implants, will cover “Successful Socket Grafting and Ridge Augmentation: Maximizing Predictability in Everyday Implant Situations.”
- Dr. Michael Teiffel will educate delegates on “Transcrestal Sinus Floor Elevation: Redefining Limitations,” in a course sponsored by Hiossen.
- Dr. Randolph Resnick’s four-hour course will discuss “Medical/Dental Emergencies and Complications in Implant Dentistry.” The course is sponsored by Salvin Dental Specialties.
- Dr. Michael Pikos will hold a hands-on course dealing with “Extraction Site Management for Implant Reconstruction,” sponsored by Osteogenics Biomedical.
- Barb Herzog will deal with “Changes in Latitude, Changes in Attitude: Keeping Pace with How New Technologies Effect Your Financial Arrangements.” This course is sponsored by Springstone Patient Financing.
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