ISOO Newsletter - April 2022 Issue

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A message from the ISOO President, Eduardo Fregnani



Dear Colleagues,

It is a great joy to open our 2022 newsletter with a welcome message to everyone!

In this way, it is worth remembering our main goals as a Society. The purpose of the International Society of Oral Oncology (ISOO) is to promote scientific exchange among health care professional in oncology about cytotoxic therapy and its impact on the oral environment including its effect on tissues, oral health, oral function and survivorship. ISOO provides a multidisciplinary forum for scientists and clinicians to come together to provide the best possible supportive care for our patients. We welcome professionals from many disciplines.

We have the largest number of members since our foundation and this infusion of new talent and interest will allow us to accomplish even greater things in the years ahead.

It is my sincere hope that the coming years will see a continuation of our history of a strong alliance between MASCC and ISOO as we strive to fulfill the mantra that supportive care makes excellent cancer care possible.

I am optimistic that you will consider joining your new and old colleagues at the upcoming MASCC/ISOO 2022 hybrid meeting. This meeting is going to be a dynamic, exciting, and jam packed with innovation and science to enhance our patient's clinical care. Keep watching your emails and our social medias for updates as they are announced or visit MASCC.org for up to date information.

Take Care and Stay in touch! Eduardo Fregnani, DDS, PhD, *ISOO President*

Meet the ISOO Board Members

PRESIDENT

Eduardo Fregnani is from São Paulo, Brazil and holds a Master's degree in Oral Pathology and Oral Medicine and a PhD in Oncology. Currently his interest is in both clinical and research focused on support for cancer patients and dental complications of cancer treatment.



Eduardo Fregnani, DDS, PhD



Deborah Saunders, BSc, DMD



Noam Yarom, DMD



Siri Beier Jenson, DDS, PhD



Alessandro Villa, DDS, PhD, MPH

PAST PRESIDENT

Deborah Saunders is presently the Co-lead of Cancer Research at the Health Sciences Research Institute, and Medical Director of the Department of Dental Oncology. Dr Saunders is the Program Lead for the Oral Maxillofacial Rehabilitation Program and Clinical Tobacco Intervention Program at the North East Cancer Centre at Health Sciences, Sudbury Ontario.

PRESIDENT ELECT

Yoam Yarom, MHA (Master of Health Administration) is the head of Oral Medicine at the Sheba Medical Center, Tel Hashomer, and a clinical associate professor at the School of Dental Medicine, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel. He is involved with developing clinical practice guidelines and position papers for major international organizations. His main research interests are oral oncology and quality of life in cancer patients and he has published extensively on these topics.

SECRETARY

Siri Beier Jenson is an associate professor of Oral Medicine with a long-time interest in oral oncology and with a particular research focus on salivary gland dysfunction and oral complications of cancer therapies. She looks forward to the continuous collaboration within ISOO and MASCC supporting our unique multidisciplinary strength that provides a solid base for really being able to make a difference in supportive care in cancer to the benefit for the patients.

TREASURER

Alessandro Villa is the Chief of Oral Medicine and Director of Oral Oncology at the University of California San Francisco where he also serves as program director for the Oral Medicine Residency program. Previously, he was an associate surgeon at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and served as the Program Director for the Oral Medicine Residency Program at Harvard University. Dr Villa completed the Harvard Oral Medicine Residency program at Brigham and Women's Hospital. His research interests are focused primarily on oral complications of cancer treatment, including mucositis. He has published extensively on topics related to cancer regimen toxicities, the epidemiology of oral and oropharyngeal cancer and disparities in treatment outcomes.

VP COMMUNICATIONS

Jonn Wu is a Radiation Oncologist at the Vancouver Cancer Centre (Canada), Clinical Professor at the University of British Columbia and is the Chair of the Provincial H&N Tumour Group. His interests include the development of precision radiation



therapy techniques, leveraging health information technologies to enable population-based quality assurance and outcomes research.

Jonn Wu, BMSc, MD, FRCPC



Paolo Bossi, MD

MEMBER AT LARGE

Paolo Bossi is Professor of Medical Oncology at the University of Brescia, with an interest in head and neck cancer and quality of life. He is serving as Co-Chair of the Mucositis study group of MASCC and he is the President of the Italian Association for Supportive Care in Cancer (NICSO).

Introduction of our Social Media Subcommittee

The International Society of Oral Oncology (ISOO) has a large and valuable group of healthcare professionals with the mission to improve the quality of life of cancer patients. To expand the reach of our content generated by our members, the 2022 ISOO Board Members decided to create the Social Media Subcommittee.

Our goal is to increase ISOO's visibility, exposure and engage better with our stakeholders. Also, we would like to establish a stronger online community to share evidence-based knowledge on oral supportive care research. To receive our news as soon as they are released, follow us on twitter @isoo.world.

And with great pleasure, we present our members who are a part of the ISOO Social Media initiative:



Alessandro Villa, DDS, PhD, MPH



Eduardo Fregnani, DDS, PhD



Anne Marie Pederson, DDS, PhD



Jonn Wu, BMSc, MD, FRCPC



Julia Bruno, DDS



Yuei Matsuda, RHD, MOH, PhD

Our virtual space in an open field for our members – if you have an interesting project, recent publication or valid information to share with us through our social media.

Contact us: info@isoo.world (subject: social media subcommittee) or DM @isoo.world (Instagram and Twitter)

FDI ONCOllab App

ISOO in collaboration with the FDI is working to develop a mobile application (the ONCOllab) to provide oral health care guidelines for the cancer care teams. ONCOllab aims to help health care providers that are part of the cancer treatment team, managing oral toxicities secondary from cancer therapy. A first version of the ONCOllab app will launched in the fall of 2022.



Continuing Education Event – June 22, 2022

The 5 Pitfalls of Cancer Therapy...and How to Avoid Them with Dr. Erin Watson!

June 22 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM EDT Address: 595A Trethewey Drive, Toronto



Reserve Your Spot Today

The goal of this course is to provide the dentist with fundamental knowledge to allow them to safely provide dental care for cancer patients. Current statistics suggest that 3 in 5 Canadians will develop cancer in their lifetime. Coupled with trends toward increased survival, dentists will be seeing an increasing number of patients in their practice who either have cancer or a history of cancer.

FREE WEBINAR

Head and Neck Cancer: What to Expect During the First Year APRIL 7 | 5:00 PM ET

Register Today!



Join the Head and Neck Cancer Alliance and the American Head & Neck Society for a free webinar, "Head and Neck Cancer: What to Expect During the First Year" scheduled during Oral, Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Week (DHANCAW®) on April 7, 2022 at 5:00 PM ET. The webinar will feature medical experts and survivors who will share the realities of diagnosis, treatment, and the first months of recovery. You will come away with an understanding of what to expect as you navigate through your cancer diagnosis and treatment.

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Meet a New ISOO Member: David Dean, DDS, MSD



David Dean, DDS, MSD is the Oral Medicine graduate program director at the University of Washington School of Dentistry and the director of the Oral Medicine service at Seattle Cancer Care Alliance. A lifelong Husky, he completed his BS, DDS, and MSD in Oral Medicine at UW where he currently serves as a clinical assistant professor.

He is a diplomat of the American Board of Oral Medicine, a fellow in the Royal College of Surgeons Edinburgh, a fellow in the American College of Dentists, and a Seattle Met "Top Dentist" in the field of Oral Medicine. Academic honors include the Bruce R. Rothwell distinguished teaching award (UWSOD's highest teaching honor), the UWSOD Dental Alumni Faculty award, and selection for the SCCA Medical Leadership Development's High Potentials program. Scholarship activity includes an NIDCR funded R01 assessing the oral impacts of chronic Graft-versus-Host disease, collaborative work on expert panel guidelines for the American Society of Transplant & Cellular Therapy and the Multinational Association of Supportive Care in Cancer, participation in the 7th World Workshop of Oral Medicine, and serving as a co-editor and chapter author for an upcoming special edition of Frontiers in Oral Medicine focused on supportive care in cancer featuring contributions form authors around the world.

He lives in Edmonds, WA with his wife, Dr. Brittany Dean (a pediatric dentist) and his dog Hardy (a literal Husky). He enjoys collecting books and lifting heavy things.

Mucositis Study Group: Guidelines Paper - Top Cited Paper!

Congratulations to our colleagues and members of the Mucositis Guidelines Leadership Group! Their guidelines summary paper is acknowledged as a "top cited" paper for 2020-2021, in Cancer journal.

"MASCC/ISOO clinical practice guidelines for the management of mucositis secondary to cancer therapy"

#Sharon Elad #Karis Kin Fong Cheng #Rajesh V. Lalla #Noam Yarom #Catherine Hong #Richard M. Logan #Joanne Bowen #Rachel Gibson #Deborah P. Saunders #Yehuda Zadik #Anura Ariyawardana #Maria Elvira Correa #Vinisha Ranna #Paolo Bossi



Postdoctoral Fellowship – Atrium Health, Charlotte NC

Atrium Health

Carolinas Medical Center, Cannon Research Center Oral Medicine Translational Research Laboratory Charlotte, NC

Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Oral Medicine Translational Research Laboratory

Job Summary:

The postdoctoral Research Fellow is responsible for conducting basic and clinical translational research for genomics related biomarker discovery for oral and systemic diseases. The individual will use molecular and cellular biology, biochemistry, and microbiology investigation methodologies in bench research. The individual undertakes research studies in areas defined by the Lab Directors or designee. Responsibilities will include all aspects of research from protocol and experimental design, study implementation in the laboratory, data analysis and interpretation, grant writing, abstract and manuscript preparation, and presentation at meetings. All work will be conducted with minimum of direct supervision as defined by the director of the laboratory.

Education, Training, and Experience:

Ph.D. with appropriate research experience during prior graduate education needed in genetics, molecular and cellular biology /biochemistry. Demonstrated knowledge in contemporary biomedical research approaches. Knowledge/ experience in biostatistics or bioinformatics and clinical outcome research would be preferred. Experience in basic and translational research in oral /salivary diseases would be a plus.

The ability to develop novel research projects and implement them into laboratory is essential. Excellence in oral and written communication skills is required. Demonstrated prior experience in preparation of abstracts, presentations, and manuscripts is desirable. Prior experience in writing/reviewing of grant applications is preferred. Organizational, time management, and planning capabilities needed. Demonstrated ability to be self-motivated, energetic, and to work effectively in a team environment.

For more information, contact:

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