



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY of ORAL ONCOLOGY NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the December 2016 edition of the ISOO Newsletter. Do you have an article or news that you would like to share?

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Dr. Allan Hovan (Editor, ISOO Newsletter)



Season's Greetings

Season's Greetings to our ISOO colleagues around the world. This has been another successful year for ISOO. It needs to be said, however, that the strength of our group truly lies in its membership – you! Though relatively small in number, ISOO members continue to accomplish great things: publications in peer-reviewed journals, a robust Oral Care Study Group, significant contributions to other MASCC Study Groups (notably Mucositis and Bone), creation and dissemination of guidelines, systematic review updates, interesting and well-attended CE courses, etc. Our membership continues to grow as a result of the membership drive during the Adelaide meeting and through our networking with interested oncology colleagues. We look forward to seeing you all again in Washington, DC!

RECRUIT A COLLEAGUE IN 2017!

Make 2017 the year you introduce a colleague to MASCC and ISOO! We currently have more than 1,000 members worldwide, representing more than 60 countries and 6 continents. In the past year, we've seen an increase in members from all countries, most notably Denmark and India. Membership benefits include a free subscription to our monthly journal, *Supportive Care in Cancer*, access to members-only areas of our website, discounts on supportive care books and meeting registration fees, and numerous opportunities to work with MASCC/ISOO Study Groups, to exchange ideas and expertise, and promote supportive care in cancer. Membership is open to medical and surgical oncologists, radiologists, nurses, dental professionals, pharmacists, social workers, dietitians, psychologists, students, industry representatives, and anyone interested in the prevention and management of the adverse effects of cancer and its treatment.

Announcements from ISOO President Ourania Nicolatou-Galitis



*ISOO President
Ourania Nicolatou-Galitis*

Call for Oral Care Study Group Leadership

Deborah Saunders, BSc, DMD, and Siri Beier Jensen, DDS, PhD, have completed their successful terms as Chair and Vice-Chair of the Oral Care Study Group. It is now time to elect new leaders. We invite interested ISOO members to put their names forward.

The new term will begin at the 2017 MASCC/ISOO Annual Meeting, in Washington DC.

If you are interested in serving or would like to nominate a colleague, please fill out the [application form](#) and email to nicolatou.galitis@hotmail.com.

The deadline for the receipt of nominations is January 24, 2017. The ISOO Board will review and select the new OCSG leaders. Eligible candidates must be ISOO members in good standing.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you in advance for your ongoing support of ISOO.

Sincerely,

Ourania Nicolatou-Galitis, DDS

President, ISOO

>> [Oral Care Study Group Leadership Application](#)

Send to: nicolatou.galitis@hotmail.com

Distinguished Service Award Nominations

The ISOO Board established Distinguished Service Awards (DSAs) to recognize individuals who have provided meritorious service to our Society.

Douglas Peterson, DMD, PhD, and Mark Schubert, DDS, MSD, were awarded the first two Distinguished Service Awards in Adelaide, Australia by ISOO President Ourania Nicolatou-Galitis (see photo).



*Doug Peterson, ISOO President Ourania
Nicolatou-Galitis and Mark Schubert*

If you would like to nominate an ISOO member for a 2017 Distinguished Service Award at the annual meeting in Washington, DC, please see the DSA eligibility requirements and nomination procedures.

>> [ISSO 2017 DSA Nomination](#)

Send the completed nomination forms to:

Ourania Nicolatou-Galitis

nicolatou-galitis@hotmail.com

Deadline: March 31, 2017

ISOO Board of Directors Election 2017

Deadline for Submissions: January 24, 2017

Dear ISOO Colleagues:

The current ISOO Board has had a successful two-year term, and it is time for another election. There will be four openings on the Board, each of which consists of a two-year term, beginning in late June 2017 at the MASCC/ISOO Annual Meeting in Washington, DC. Selection of individuals to fill specific officer positions within the Board will be decided by both the current and newly elected Board members when the ISOO Board convenes in Washington in June.

In accordance with current ISOO bylaws, the following two officers will remain on the ISOO Board for the coming two-year term:

President (starting at the Washington meeting):

Allan Hovan (Canada)

Immediate Past President and MASCC Liaison):

Ourania Nicolatou-Galitis (Greece)

The Nominating Committee requests your assistance in nominating eligible (i.e., dues currently paid) ISOO members for these four positions.

Please think about nominating yourself or your colleagues to stand for election to the ISOO Board. Complete the [Nomination Form](#) and send it to me by email at your earliest convenience (the directions are on the form). We would like to **receive all nominations by January 24**, so we can construct a ballot and hold the election in early February.



Richard Logan

If you have questions, do not hesitate to contact me at the email address below. Thank you so much in advance for your support of, and contributions to, ISOO.

Best Regards,

Richard Logan

Immediate Past President, ISOO

Chair, Nominating Committee

>> [ISOO Board Nomination Form](#)

Send to: richard.logan@adelaide.edu.au

2015-2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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DDS, MSc, Dr Dent (Greece)

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BDS, MDS, PhD, FFOP (Australia)

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DMD, MSD, (FRCD) (Canada)

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MSc, PhD, MRACDS (Australia)

MASCC Representative:

Rajesh Lalla
DDS, PhD, CCRP, DABOM (USA)

Practice Resources • Patient Education

Oral Care Fact Sheets - **Coming Soon!**

The MASCC/ISOO [Oral Care Study Group](#) and the [International Society of Oral Oncology](#) (ISOO) have together created four multilingual Fact Sheets for patients receiving chemotherapy and those undergoing head and neck radiation therapy. These Fact Sheets result from the collaboration of physicians, nurses, dietitians, speech language pathologists, dentists, radiation therapists and social workers committed to supportive care. They are based on systematic reviews and guideline development and reflect up-to-date, evidenced-based recommendations for managing the oral complications of cancer therapy, as well as the most current thinking about knowledge translation and delivery to patients.

Practice Resources • Patient Education

Information Sheets for Prevention And Treatment Of Oral Mucositis



The Mucositis Study Group (MSG) has developed three evidence-based patient Information Sheets that reflect, and briefly explain, the existing Mucositis Clinical Practice Guidelines (Lalla et al., Cancer 2014).

- **Mucositis Management for Patients Treated with Chemotherapy**
- **Mucositis Management for Patients Treated with Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation**
- **Mucositis Management for Patients Treated with Radiotherapy to the Head and Neck**

Each Information Sheet is written in plain language without extensive use of medical terms. The Information Sheets are available — under [Practice Resources/Patient Education](#) and the [Mucositis Study Group](#) page on the MASCC website — for clinicians to download and distribute to their patients if they so desire.

The Information Sheets are designed for patients undergoing cytotoxic treatment, hematopoietic stem cell transplantation, or radiation to the head and neck region. They are organized in a print-ready format, with simple graphic icons to identify guidelines in favor of or against various interventions.

Adherence to any intervention, with either preventive or therapeutic intent, depends on patients' having correct information and understanding the treatment. This information should be as clear as possible and available to patients who may be overwhelmed by newly diagnosed cancer. The Study Group hopes that these Information Sheets will be of use to clinicians who need resources for their patients.

The Oral Mucositis Information Sheets represent an important step in the dissemination of scientific guidelines for the prevention and treatment of mucositis. Thanks to the MSG members who contributed to the development the Information Sheets and to MSG Chair Sharon Elad, Vice-Chair Paolo Bossi, and Vice-Chair Karis Cheng.

Mucositis Management for Patients Treated with Chemotherapy

Mucositis Management for Patients Treated with HSCT

Mucositis Management for Patients Treated with Radiotherapy to the Head & Neck

Meet ISOO Member, Alessandra Majorana

Dear ISOO Colleagues:

My name is Alessandra Majorana and I live and work in Brescia, Italy. I have been an active member of MASCC/ISOO for many years and always enjoy the collegial nature of our meetings and interactions.

I am currently Professor of Pediatric Dentistry and Oral Medicine at the School of Dentistry, University of Brescia, Italy. I also serve as Dean of Pediatric Dentistry, Oral Medicine and Dental Hygiene at the university.

I received both my Medicine and Surgery MD degree and my DDS degree in Odontostomatology and Orthodontics from the University of Brescia.

I am a Counselor of the European Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, Italian Society of Oral Medicine, and am a Past President of the Italian Society of Pediatric Dentistry. I am a current member of the European Academy of Oral Medicine and MASCC's Mucositis Study Group.

I look forward to seeing you all in Washington, DC next June.



Alessandra Majorana

Share Your Research with Us in Washington!

Share your research and best practices in supportive cancer care at our 2017 meeting in Washington, DC. This is an ideal venue in which to present your latest findings to the international community.

Early Abstract Submission Deadline: December 31, 2016

Regular Abstract Submission Deadline: February 14, 2017

For more information, see www.mascc.org/meeting.

Meeting registration is also open.

Take advantage of early registration discounts!

Help Spread the Word!

MASCC/ISOO 2017

Washington, DC • June 22-24

Visit our online [Meeting Toolkit](#) to download signature banners, ads, and PowerPoint "Save the Date" slides. Get the word out and help make MASCC/ISOO 2017 the best supportive care meeting yet!

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SUPPORTIVE CARE IN CANCER
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