

equally important for the Clinic and its employees and for Croatian medicine and dentistry as a whole (Fig. 1).

Slightly more than one hundred visitors and guests from Croatia and several friends from foreign Clinics attended the presentations from all segments of the Clinic's activity, from its foundation in 1939 to the present day. The meeting was attended by the following official representatives from the Ministry of Health, town of Zagreb, Croatian Academy of Science and Art, Town Office for Health and Social Security, Croatian Medical Association and the Croatian Medical Chamber, the Croatian Dental Association and the Croatian Dental Chamber, the Croatian Medical Syndicate, School of Medicine, Clinical Hospital "Dubrava", Clinical Hospital Centre in Zagreb, several Zagreb Clinics and affiliated Clinics in Zadar and Osijek, and colleagues from Maribor, Salzburg, Klagenfurt and Würzburg (Fig. 2).

It was particularly gratifying to see our retired teachers, Prof. Mladen Barlović and Prim. Vladimir Mikolji, Prof. Dragica Zaklan-Kavić and many other retired employees, including those who no longer work in the Clinic, such as Prof. Pavel Kobler.

It was an opportunity for all of us to remember the names of those who founded the Clinic and enabled the commencement of the profession, such as maxillofacial and oral surgery, and other specialised professions of the School of Dental Medicine in Zagreb. In this connection we primarily think of Prof. Ivo Čupar, Prof. Vitolda Ritterman, Dr. Dalibor Svoboda, Prof. Ivo Miša and Prof. Branka Pilar-Svoboda, and those already mentioned, Prof. Mladen Barlović and Prim. Vladimir Mikolji.

Many teachers at the School of Dental Medicine in Zagreb came from the aforementioned clinics, such as Prof. Živko Bolf, Prof. Zdenko Njemirovskij, Prof. Blaženka Marković-Peičić, Prof. Vitold Ritterman, Dr. Dalibor Svoboda, Prof. Ivo Miše, Prof. Vladimir Lapter, Prof. Jelena Aurer-Koželj, Prof. Vladimir Amšel, Prof. Vera Arko, Prof. Dragica Zaklan-Kavić, Dr. Zdenka Kesic-Balaško, Prof. Ivica Krmpotić and Prof. Pavel Kobler. They all left their mark in the creation of certain specialised branches of dental medicine, the development of teaching dental medicine and scientific and professional journalism or in the development of spatial and technical conditions for work in the Clinic or School, ensuring good co-operation between the Clinic and the School of Dental Medicine in Zagreb. Thus it was surprising that there was no official representative from the School of Dental Medicine at the celebration, and that there were only three teachers present from the School, of which two are oral surgeons who consider the Clinic as much theirs as the School they represent and who felt the need to be present at such an important event.

The official part of the celebration commenced with an introductory speech by the Head of the Clinic, Prof. Mišo Viraga, and continued with greetings to the guests, followed by a presentation of some specialist and sub-specialist fields with which employees of the Clinic for Maxillofacial Surgery and the Clinical Department of Oral Surgery are engaged, and continued with refreshments in the foyer of the lecture hall (Figure 3).

The celebration and two-day 1<sup>st</sup> Congress of the Croatian Association for Maxillofacial, Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery was held under the auspices the Ministry of Health, Prof. Željko Reiner. Fifty-eight congress presentations were divided into several thematic fields: traumatology, reconstructive and plastic surgery, deformities and malformations, oncology, case presentations and free themes. Apart from the presentations a poster exhibition and four video projections were held. The Congress part of the celebration aroused the interest of numerous visitors.

Dinner in the restaurant of the Museum for Art and Crafts was an opportunity to relax and thank friends of the Clinic in a special way. Thus, plaques were presented to the following honorary members of the Croatian Society for Maxillofacial, Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery of the Head and Neck, for many years of co-operation, friendship and help: Heribert Rainer from Klagenfurt (Figure 4), Christian Krenkel from Salzburg (Figure 5) and Josip Bill from Würzburg (Figure 6).

It was the first time that the Clinic had held the celebration outside its traditional headquarters at Šalata, where it had been held for 55 years. The new quarters in the Clinical Hospital "Dubrava" broke this tradition and at the same time enabled employees of the Clinic to work in conditions which earlier they could not even have dreamt of. There is a very good graphical and comprehensively prepared monograph on that formal event, which speaks of the history of the Clinic and today's employees in the wing of the Clinic. It also includes a bibliography of all previous employees of the Clinic and data on the specialists of oral and maxillofacial surgery who studied in the building.

Long live the Clinic for Maxillofacial and Oral Surgery in Zagreb! It principals and employees look back with respect to the past, and former principals and employees follow and welcome today's developments. These are the relations which promise a bright future.

**Goran Knežević**

## NOVOSTI U STOMATOLOGIJI VI

### Oralna kirurgija, Dentalna implantologija danas

Poštujući tradiciju godišnjih sastanaka koji su se u prošlosti pod naslovom "Novosti u stomatologiji" održavali redovito svake godine u mjesecu studenome, ove je godine Hrvatsko stomatološko društvo za svoje članove održalo besplatni tečaj pod naslovom *Dentalna implantologija danas*.

Tečaj je održan 19. studenoga ove godine na 17. katu hotela "Intercontinental", u romantičnoj atmosferi snježne mećave u Zagrebu, za približno 230 sudionika. Tečaj su održali nastavnici Katedre za oralnu kirurgiju Stomatološkog fakulteta u Zagrebu, osim prof. Pavla Koblera koji je odlukom Nacionalnoga vijeća Sveučilišta u Zagrebu morao toga dana sudjelovati kao voditelj u radu Povjerenstva za vrjednovanje programa Stomatološkog studija Medicinskog fakulteta Sveučilišta u Rijeci.

Činjenica da su mnogi sudionici plaćali cijenu predviđenu za one koji nisu članovi Hrvatskoga stomatološkog društva izazvala je među organizatorima tečaja čuđenje.

Nema, naime, logičnog objašnjenja da sudionici tečaja plaćaju 300 kuna kada s članarinom od 150 kuna za članstvo u Hrvatskome liječničkom zboru automatski su postali članovi Hrvatskoga stomatološkog društva. Ta im članarina također osigurava da besplatno sudjeluju na jednom tečaju koji odredi rukovodstvo Društva, a za istu članarinu dobivaju i 4 broja časopisa *Acta Stomatologica Croatica*. Što se tiče bodova, tom članarinom dobiva se u godini 2 boda za primitak časopisa, i do 5 bodova za predloženi tečaj.

Sudionicima su predstavljeni svi bitni aspekti suvremene dentalne implantologije. Sudjelovanje najmlađih suradnika u nastavi i mladih nastavnika s dvaju Zavoda za oralnu kirurgiju (jednog u sklopu Stomatološke klinike u Gundulićevoj 5 i drugi u sklopu Kliničke bolnice "Dubrava") omogućilo je hrvatskoj stomatološkoj publici da se upozna s budućim nositeljima struke i znanosti u oralnoj kirurgiji.

Čini se da su predavači uložili ozbiljan trud, vrijeme i suvremenu računalnu opremu da bi sudionicima na suvremen način prikazali problematiku dentalne kirurgije, a prikazom vlastite kazuistike nastojali pokazati gdje se naša oralna kirurgija nalazi u tome kontekstu. Novi je naraštaj oralnih kirurga bio diskretno uzbuđen, što znači da je odgovorno prihvatilo povjerenje mu zadaće. Dostojno je i profesionalno predstavio struku, pa se uz uvjet takva pristupa i u dnevnom nastavnom, kliničkom, stručnom i znanstvenom radu može očekivati njegov daljnji razvoj.

Planirajući sljedeće godine održati tečaj s nekom drugom katedrom Stomatološkog fakulteta u Zagrebu, pozivamo sve one koji do danas nisu postali članovima Hrvatskoga stomatološkog društva da to učine.

**Goran Knežević**

## NEWS IN DENTAL MEDICINE VI

### Oral surgery, Dental Implantation Today

This year, in accordance with the tradition of meetings held every year in November under the title News in Dental Medicine, the Croatian Association of Dental Medicine held a free course for its members under the title *Dental Implantation Today*.

The course was held in Zagreb on 19 November, 1999, on the 16<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Intercontinental Hotel, in the romantic atmosphere of a snow storm, for approximately 230 participants. All teachers from the Department of Oral Surgery, School of Dental Medicine in Zagreb took part in the course, apart from Prof. Pavel Kobler, who, according to a decision of the National Council of the University of Zagreb, headed the Committee for Evaluation of Programmes of Dental Study of the School of Dental Medicine, University of Rijeka.

The organisers of the course were amazed to see that numerous participants paid the fee as non-members of the Cro-

atian Dental Association. Namely, there is no logical explanation for the fact that these participants paid 300 kuna for participation, when payment of 150 kuna for membership of the Croatian Medical Association automatically ensures membership of the Croatian Dental Association. Membership also enables free participation at one course, organised by the Association, and for the same membership fee 4 numbers of the journal *Acta Stomatologica Croatia* are received. With regard to points for the membership fee, members receive 2 points a year for receiving the journal and up to 5 points for the proposed course.

During the course participants were shown all essential aspects of contemporary dental implantation. Participation of the youngest teaching collaborators and young lecturers/teachers from two Departments of Oral Surgery (the Department in the Dental Clinic at No.5, Gundulić St. and the Department in the Clinical Hospital "Dubrava") made it possible for the Croatian dental public to meet the future carriers of the profession and science in the field of oral surgery.

The lecturers invested serious effort, time and modern computer equipment in order to demonstrate the problems of dental surgery to participants of the course, and by showing their own casuistics they endeavoured to show the position of our oral surgery in this context. The new generation of oral surgeons showed discreet excitement and responsible acceptance of the task entrusted to them. They presented dental medicine in a professional and dignified manner. Thus, such an approach in their daily teaching, clinical, professional and scientific work is an indication of further progress in the future.

A similar course is planned for next year with another Department from the School of Dental Medicine in Zagreb. We therefore invite all those who have still not become members of the Croatian Dental Association to do so.

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## SPOMEN NA POVIJEST ORGANIZIRANOGA DJELOVANJA HRVATSKIH STOMATOLOGA

Dne 20. prosinca 1999. navršilo se je 96 godina od dana kada je godine 1903. osnovano Zadruga hrvatskih stomatologa. Približavajući se stoljetnome jubileju organiziranoga djelovanja hrvatskih stomatologa, Hrvatsko stomatološko društvo Hrvatskoga liječničkog zbora podsjeća stomatologe na taj važan događaj, nastao kao posljedica sazrijevanja svijesti o potrebi da se nekolicina tadašnjih liječnika zubara, školovanih u inozemstvu, udruže u stručnim udrugama kojima su mogli sigurnije nastupati u društvu i zastupati svoje interese.

Na 95. obljetnicu upravni odbor Hrvatskoga stomatološkog društva, koji čine prof. Goran Knežević - predsjednik, dr. Vesna Barac Furtinger - zamjenica, dr. Vladimir Bratolić - blagajnik i dr. Siniša Varga - tajnik, zajedno s prof. Zvonimirovom Kaićem, posjetio je grob prvoga predsjednika Zadruga dr. Eugena Radoa i cvijećem okitio njegov grob. (Slike