This edition of Inspyred provides a round-up of EAO news over the last six months, along with a look forward to the 2016 scientific meeting in Paris, and a selection of clinical articles which we hope you will find interesting and useful.

The EAO’s annual scientific meeting took place in Stockholm this year, and once again attracted a huge number of participants, who gathered to discuss and share the latest scientific and clinical developments in our field. The meeting celebrated 50 years of clinical osseointegration and was held in memory of Per-Ingvar Brånemark, whose work led to the birth of dental implant treatment. You can read about highlights from the meeting — including a summary of the winners of the EAO’s prestigious scientific prizes — on pages 14 and 15.

Planning an EAO meeting is a complex process that takes place over a long period of time. This issue also includes an insight into how the Scientific Committee plans such a large-scale meeting, and the work that has been going on behind the scenes for over a year to ensure that Paris 2016 will be a success. Stefano Gracis shares the process he has used to put together two exciting interactive sessions for the meeting. The EAO is continually working to develop the format of its scientific congress, creating more opportunities for delegates to actively participate, with a growing focus on take-home messages for day-to-day practice. Stefano’s article describes how this is being taken forward in practice.

The lead article looks how dentistry in Greece has been affected by the political and financial crisis that peaked during the summer. Two practitioners describe the impact that the turmoil has had on both private dentistry and those who practise in hospital settings. Although this has been a very difficult period for Greece, the authors report on the cooperative response the profession has taken to ensure that patients continue to receive the care they need.

We have selected three thought-provoking clinical articles for this edition, each covering very different aspects of our field. The first looks at the role veneers can play in complementing and augmenting a treatment plan in which implant-supported restorations are the dominant element. The second article asks whether provisional restorations are always necessary when placing implants in the aesthetic zone. Finally, Martin Brient describes a case involving autologous tooth transplantation and invites you to take part in an online poll to share your views on its viability as a treatment option. Once you have completed the poll, you will be able to see how your colleagues have voted, and also view the treatment plan that was adopted for this case.

2016 is already shaping up to be a busy year for the EAO, with the launch of its ground-breaking new education programme (eao.org/education-programme) and a wide variety of other educational activities, including further Master Clinician Courses. You can stay up to date with all of these by visiting the EAO website.

As ever, we are keen to widen the scope of Inspyred and welcome proposals for papers from our readers. If you would like to submit an article, please email us at inspyred@eao.org.

We hope you enjoy this issue, and look forward to sharing more clinical articles and EAO news with you in the spring 2016 edition.

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