

**ASSOCIATION OF BASIC SCIENCE
TEACHERS IN DENTISTRY**

Newsletter April 2011



Spring Meeting:

The programme is now finalised for our Spring meeting which will be held at the

***Peninsula College of Medicine &
Dentistry, Plymouth***

on Thursday 14th April 2011

where Jon Bennett has kindly arranged an excellent programme focussing on

***New Approaches to Learning in the
Basic and Applied Dental Sciences***

Details of the full programme are available on our website (www.abstd.org) and there is still time to register. A warm welcome awaits us in Plymouth. Further information can be obtained from Jon (jon.bennett@pds.ac.uk). We hope to see you there.

***GDC – Consultation on Learning
Outcomes for Registration***

The Association submitted comments on this draft document which is likely to supercede The First Five Years. The importance of basic biological sciences in current dental education was stressed and concern was expressed about the lack of recognition of this in the proposed document. Reference was made to the ADEE document 'Profile and Competences for the Graduating European Dentist' (E. J. Dent. Educ., 14, 2010, 193-202). We await a response.

Research Excellence Framework

Details of the various panels and their membership for REF 2014 are now available (www.hefce.ac.uk/research/ref/). Dentistry is included in Panel A, Subpanel 3.

Sheffield Meeting: September 2011

The **Annual General Meeting** will be held at the BSODR meeting at the University of Sheffield on **Tuesday 13th September**. If you wish to have lunch at this meeting, this should be booked when you register for the BSODR meeting on the meeting website.

At Sheffield we will also be holding a **Satellite meeting on Monday 12th September -The Future of Basic Science Teaching in Dentistry**

Our keynote speaker will be **Professor Colin Robinson** together with other

contributors. The meeting will be held late in the afternoon before the Welcome Reception – so when booking your travel to Sheffield, plan to arrive by mid-afternoon. (More information later).

***Read all about our European activities in;
Eur. J. Dent. Edu., February 2011, 15, 1-2.***

Congratulations to Alastair Sloan

On being awarded the IADR 2011 Young Investigator Award at the meeting in San Diego in March. Well done Alastair.

European Meeting ABSTD / ADEE:

Antalya, Turkey,

Wednesday 7th September 2011

***BASIC SCIENCES: THE NEW
FRONTIER IN ORAL DISEASE***

Plans are now well in hand for this one day meeting. Registration and a conference get-together dinner will be held on Tuesday 6th September, and the meeting will finish on Wednesday afternoon in time for delegates to register for the ADEE meeting which commences on the same day.

On-line registration is now open, and further information is available on the ADEE website (www.adee2011.org).

We hope that ABSTD delegates will also attend the ADEE meeting, and that ADEE delegates will come a day early to attend the ABSTD meeting. So why not plan to spend a few days with us in the Turkish holiday resort of Antalya where we know a very warm welcome awaits us. (Further information: josie.beeley@glasgow.ac.uk / ABSTD website.

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Membership: For those who do not have a current standing order or who are yet to pay by cheque or cash, subscriptions for the current year (2010-11) (£5.00 or €10.00) are now due. Membership is open to all those interested in dental education. Application/renewal forms can be downloaded from the website <http://www.abstd.org>. Further information from: Dr. Roger Shore (Hon Sec, Treasurer), Oral Biology, Leeds Dental Institute, Leeds, LS2 9LU. R.C.Shore@leeds.ac.uk

