



4th EACim International Congress—A milestone in ceramic implantology

The 4th International Congress of the EACim took place in Madrid on 13 and 14 June 2025, under the high patronage of the new president Prof. João Caramês. The event marked an important milestone in the advancement of ceramic implantology in Europe.

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The pre-congress day featured four practical workshops led by renowned experts and industry partners, offering participants valuable hands-on experience with various ceramic implant systems. These sessions promoted lively discussions and allowed direct interaction with innovative clinical solutions.

The congress on 14 June brought together over 140 participants from around the world under the theme of Bio-Immuno-Osteointegration. The programme reflected the increasing momentum of ceramic implantology and its role in shaping the future of biological and aesthetic dental care.

International speakers delivered insightful presentations throughout the day. Dr Saurabh Gupta (India) highlighted the preventive potential of ceramic implants in managing peri-implantitis. Dr Olivier Henry-Savajol (France) demonstrated a full-arch zirconia case, confirming that immediate loading protocols commonly used with titanium are now also feasible with ceramics. Dr Roland Glauser (Switzerland) presented compelling histological images showing how soft tissues integrate with zirconia surfaces, suggesting biological harmony at the tissue level.

Dr Adina Landschoof (Germany) focused on soft-tissue aesthetics and showed how ceramic implants create natural-looking restorations, particularly in immediate post-extraction cases.





The congress closed with student presentations, giving the stage to three young researchers from Italy and France. Greta Previdere was awarded best poster for her 18-year follow-up on a zirconia implant case. Special thanks were extended to the congress moderators: Dr Fabrice Baudot, Prof. Jordi Cargalo, Laurens Wiggers, and Prof. Andrea Borgonovo.

Prof. Jorge Cortes (Spain) offered a critical comparison of one-piece and two-piece zirconia implants, outlining current limitations and future directions for research and development.

Drs Markus and Mathias Sperlich (Germany) shared their expertise on immediate zirconia implant placement. Using digital workflows, they showed how this approach can preserve peri-implant tissue and deliver outstanding aesthetic outcomes. Dr Regeane Kaniak (Brazil) introduced the concept of osteo-immunology, emphasizing how the immune system and bone healing processes influence long-term implant success. She stressed the importance of tissue management and material selection.

Prof. Robert Rivest (Switzerland) explained a practical blood test protocol for identifying patients' immunological sensitivity to metals, aiding in safer implant planning. Later in the day, Dr Joseph Choukroun made a surprise appearance, presenting new clinical indexes—Systemic Immune Index and Systemic Inflammatory Response Index—that use basic blood parameters to assess healing potential. These tools may become important in surgical prognosis and planning.

Unfortunately, Prof. Assaf Zelensky could not attend due to geopolitical circumstances in the Middle East. The EACim hopes to welcome him at a future event.

This congress once again confirmed that ceramic implants are a serious alternative to titanium and represent a promising path for the future of implantology. EACim remains committed to promoting biologically respectful, aesthetic solutions in dental implantology. The 5th EACim Congress is already planned for 2027 in Portugal, the homeland of President João Caramês and a key centre for implant innovation in Europe.

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