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Interview by Dr Rolf Vollmer

At this year's annual meeting of the Academy of Osseointegration (AO) in Seattle, Prof. Dr Suheil Boutros received the AO fellowship credentials.

Prof. Dr Suheil Boutros (middle) receiving the Fellowship award with Stephen Wheeler, President of AO at that time (left) and Russel Nishimura, Vice President (right).

_For more than ten years now, Dr Suheil Boutros is supporting the German DGZI as a keynote speaker, publishing many articles and being US representative of the association. Furthermore, he is an AAID Associate and Diplomate and successfully finalised the DGZI expert and specialist examination. The AO credentials are recognised by numerous state boards. They demonstrate the highest standards in implant dentistry. DGZI as well as the other organisations support the clinical and research interests worldwide and by their credentials demonstrate the recognition for the achievements of their colleagues.

This year Prof. Dr Suheil Boutros will be a keynote speaker on the annual DGZI meeting in Düsseldorf from 26 to 27 September. On the meeting, he will refer about "Restoratively Driven Surgical Practice—from Single Tooth to Full Arch" and "Controlled Ridge Splitting (CRS) as an alternative technique to autogeneous bone grafting".

implants **international magazine of** oral implantology talked to Prof. Dr Boutros about his latest award.

_Doctor Boutros, which steps have you done in order to become a "Fellow" in the Academy of Osseointegration?

Dr Boutros: The first step in becoming a Fellow in the Academy of Osseointegration is to join the Academy as an Active member. Individuals may not enter the Academy as a Fellow. The following prerequisites are required of applicants:

First, the applicant must be a qualified DMD/DDS /PhD or equivalent, with a minimum of ten years actively involved in dentistry in either a clinical or research setting or working in an implant-related academic position for a minimum of three days per week (excluded is a post-graduate training/research).

Second, the applicant must be a member of the Academy of Osseointegration (AO) for five consecutive years.

Third, the applicant must have attended a minimum of three Academy of Osseointegration Annual Meetings within the last seven years. And finally, the applicant is required to provide supporting testimonials from two current Fellows of the Academy of Osseointegration.

Thanks a lot for these information. We are looking forward to see you at the DGZI meeting in Düsseldorf and listen to your latest lectures with very interesting topics.

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Education
– University of Minnesota, School of Dentistry, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
– Masters of Science, Certificate in Periodontics.
– University of Detroit Mercy, School of Dentistry, Detroit, Michigan.
– Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS) Degree.

Experience
– Since November 1997: Private practice, Grand Blanc, Clarkston & Dearborn Heights, Michigan. The practices focus on dental implants, regenerative treatment, periodontal plastic surgery and conscious sedation.
– March 1996 to October 1997: Private practice, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Multi-location practice limited to periodontology and dental implantology.

Teaching experince
– Since 2009: German Board (GBOI) examiner.
– Since September 2002: Dean's Faculty: Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Periodontics, University of Michigan, School of Dentistry, Ann Arbor, Michigan.
– January 1998 to July 2000: Assistant Professor, Department of Periodontics, and Surgical Consultant, Implant Centre, University of Detroit Mercy, School of Dentistry, Detroit, Michigan.

Honours
– 2014: Fellow of the Academy of Osseointegration, Fellow of the International College of Dentists, Fellow of the American College of Dentists.
– February 2012: Advisory Board Member and Consultant, Zimmer Dental, Carlsbad, California.
– Editorial Board Member of implants, the official implant journal of the German Association of Dental Implantology (DGZI).

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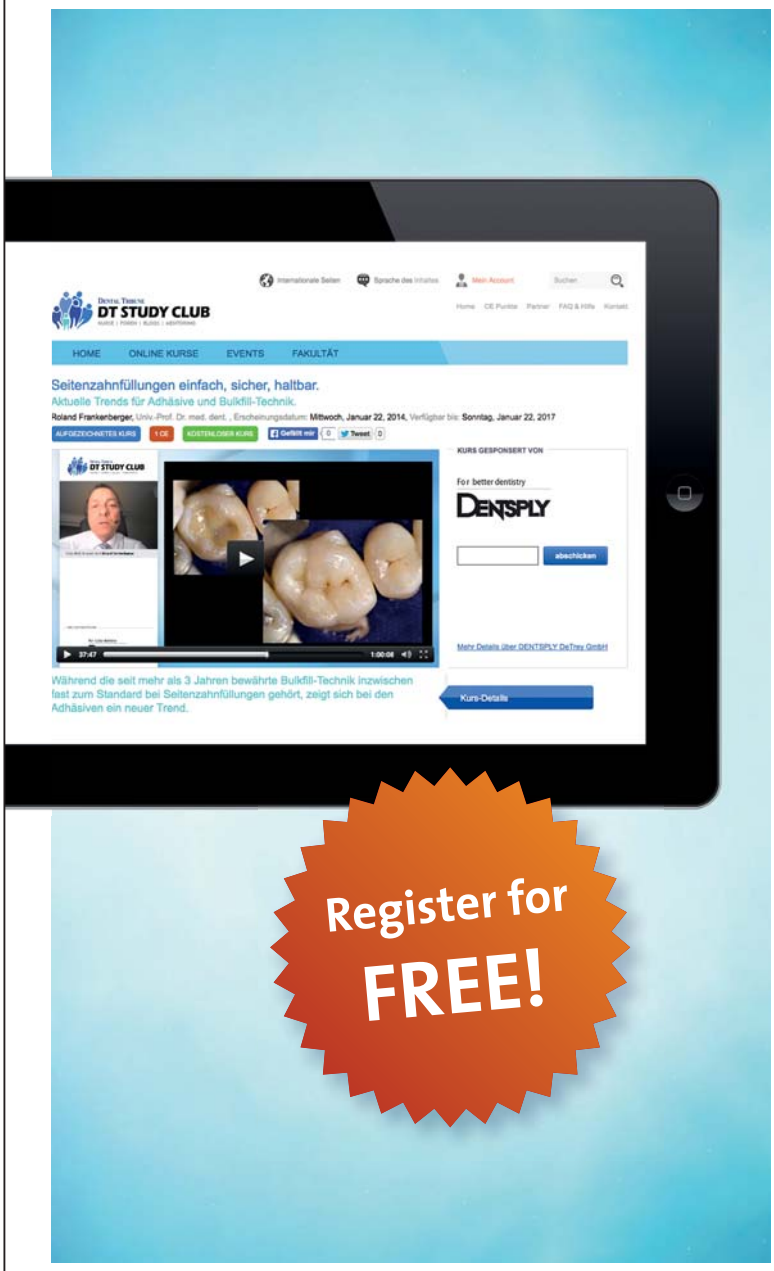

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