Dear Reader,

_Welcome to this year's second edition of cosmetic dentistry!

Under the great leadership of AAAD President Dr Sim Tang Eng, the 11th Biennial Asian Academy of Aesthetic Dentistry Scientific Meeting was successfully held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, from 14 to 17 May 2010. The meeting highlights were the four international keynote speakers: Dr Rhys Spoor (USA), Dr Didier Dietschi (Switzerland), Dr Mauro Fradeani (Italy) and Dr Galip Gurel (Turkey) presented lectures on direct composite restorations in the anterior and posterior region, as well as on all-ceramic restorations and porcelain laminate veneer restorations. The lectures and the well-organised, hands-on courses actively engaged participants, and were received with great appreciation.

Since the first Scientific Meeting in Singapore in 1990, the AAAD Scientific Meeting has been held biannually in wonderful locations, like Seoul, Kagoshima, Taipei, Singapore, Mumbai, Nagoya and Bali. At the closing ceremony in Kuala Lumpur, Dr Sim Tang Eng passed the Presidency to Dr Hisashi Hisamitsu. We look forward to the 12th Biennial AAAD Scientific Meeting, which will be held in Sapporo in Japan, with great anticipation, expecting another wonderful meeting that will bring all our members together to share precious moments, knowledge and expertise with colleagues.

The AAAD was established in 1990 with the purpose of promoting the art and science of disciplines in aesthetic dentistry. The scientific meetings serve as the primary tool in accomplishing the goals of the Academy. Additionally, past and current editors have strived to fulfil this mission through the official AAAD publication, but all faced difficulties in collecting high-quality articles from AAAD members. In 2008, we were very fortunate to join with German-based publishers Dental Tribune International and Oemus Media, who have strongly motivated our members.

cosmetic dentistry has grown to be one of the most popular aesthetic dental magazines in the Asia Pacific region and I am confident that you will enjoy this edition filled with articles on clinical practice, practice management, research and industry reports!

Sincerely yours,

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