

# EAO Congress— Glasgow 2010

## First EAO certificates to be awarded



The European Association for Osseointegration (EAO) will award its first Certificates in Implant-based Therapy at the EAO annual Congress which will be held this year in Glasgow from 6–9 October. As the only Europe-wide standardised assessment of implant-based therapy, the certificate will provide a benchmark for assessing knowledge and skills. The first candidates to participate in the new certification scheme will undergo their final examinations in Glasgow just prior to the awards ceremony. They will be questioned about six case studies they have submitted and will be required to demonstrate knowledge of theoretical and clinical implant based therapy. This includes basic knowledge of anatomy, pathology, biomechanics, physiology, histology, applied dental materials, applied pharmacology, radiology and biostatistics.

Candidates who successfully complete the certification programme will be able to demonstrate to both patients and regulatory authorities that they are competent to perform straightforward implant treatments. The certification process is both rigorous and time-consuming so the EAO will only initially be able to certify a limited number of candidates each year. However, it is expected this will increase as more resources are made available.

Details of the 2011 certification programme will appear later this year on the EAO website: [www.eao.org](http://www.eao.org)

The 2010 EAO Congress takes place at the Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC) which is Scotland's premier national conference and concert venue. More than 3,000 dentists, academics and specialists from around the world are expected to attend to discuss some of the most important issues and dilemmas they face in daily practice. A world-class faculty of more than 40 speakers and chairpersons will be participating. There will also be a wide range of other attractions including multiple parallel sessions, master classes, short oral communications, a poster presentation, EAO Research Prize Competitions in Clinical and Basic Research, and a series of pre-congress 'step-by-step' courses. A large trade exhibition runs throughout the conference and there will be further industry satellite symposia presented by the main sponsors.

„We have nearly 500 abstracts submitted for the Clinical and Research competitions making this one of the leading forums for implant dentistry in the world," said EAO Scientific Chairman, and EAO President Elect Dr Paul Stone. There will be simultaneous translation to French, German, Italian and Spanish.

Advance bookings for the trade exhibition already indicate that it is likely to be one of the biggest ever organised by the EAO.

More details and registration information [www.eao.org](http://www.eao.org)

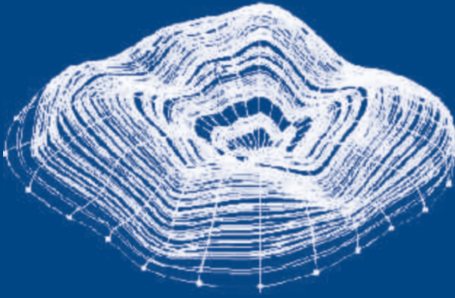


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