## Annual Congress of DGZI in Düsseldorf was again a great

success

On October 5–6, 2007, the 37<sup>th</sup> International Annual Congress of DGZI was held in the congress center of the Düsseldorf Hilton Hotel. The general theme was "Implantology? biological principles and technical possibilities". Experts from Germany and abroad discussed the questions of the future of implant dentistry with 600 participants.



In the afternoon of October 6 an exciting congress ended with a panel discussion dealing with the subject of "Healing periods between technical possibilities and biological limits" which was moderated by Priv.-Doz. Dr Dr Steffen G. Köhler, Berlin. Some six hundred participants—dentists, dental technicians and dental practice team members from Germany and other countries—met at the congress center of the Düsseldorf Hilton Hotel. For two days and in 20 expert panels and more than 30 workshops, hands-on courses and seminars they had the opportunity to inform themselves about current standards and trends in the field of implant dentistry as well as about practice hygiene, practice management, periodontics and facial subcutaneous injection techniques. This large variety of subjects was one of several reasons why the International DGZI Congress again was able to set standards. With participants and speakers from 16 countries DGZI could demonstrate that it has been most successful in the past few years in intensifying and strengthening international commitment. Based on its cooperation with implantological expert societies in the USA, Asia, the Arab region and Europe, DGZI today is part of a worldwide network of more than 11,000 implantologists, as its President Dr Friedhelm Heinemann emphasized in his opening speech.

In the subsequent scientific program the focus was on "Technical possibilities and biological limits". It was pointed out that the fast technical development in the field of implant dentistry, the continu-