



The CAMLOG Implant Festival 2008 — a rewarding meeting of science and practice

Neither the glorious sunny weather nor the imminent Whit weekend had stopped 800 experts in implant dentistry and dental technology from more than 20 countries attending the CAMLOG Implant Festival 2008 in Basel, Switzerland, from May 9th to 10th. The Implant Festival 2008 was opened by a rousing drum roll from a Basel Mardi Gras band, that right from the start set the tempo to be characteristic for the whole Congress.

Under the joint presidency of Prof Jürgen Becker, Düsseldorf, and Prof Robert A. Sader, Frankfurt/Main, about 50 internationally renowned speakers presented a diverse, high-quality program at the Congress Center Basel, focusing on a wide range of subjects in the discipline of implant dentistry.

Particular emphasis was placed on diagnosing and treating periimplantitis, the effects of implant hardware on bones and soft tissue, the long-term results with the CAMLOG® Implant System, and computer-assisted implant dentistry.

Brief insights into the future were given by presentations on tissue regeneration by growth factors

and adult stem cells, as well as minimally invasive bone preparation using gas-cooled lasers.

It goes without saying that the subjects covered included such implantological "perennials" as red-white esthetics, immediate implantation, immediate loading and bone augmentation, subjects which were discussed in plenary after they had been expounded in detail by the experts.

During the poster exhibition, which attracted keen interest during the coffee and lunch breaks, high-quality, practice-relevant research results, clinical studies, and case documentations, as well as dental technology techniques were demonstrated. These posters reproduced pictorially in the truest sense of the word the motto of the Congress, "Science meets practice — practice meets science".

The CAMLOG Party held from the evening of the first day until the small hours of the second day provided every opportunity for participants either to dance the night away or to socialize with friends and colleagues, according to their individual preferences.

On the morning of the second day of the Congress,

