From October 25-27, The University of Florida and the College of Dentistry had the honor of hosting the 2017 South Region CODE meeting (Consortium of Operative Dental Educators). This time 12 dental schools from the south-east region met to discuss a national and regional agenda that covers various topics related to operative dentistry education and its implications on our curriculum. This year, was very special not only because we were hosts, but also because our entire division participated in the three-day meeting.

To summarize the agenda: On Wednesday, we began our meeting with the CaMBRA dinner at Paramount Grill. On Thursday morning, Dr. Garcia opened the event with a warm welcome to all the school’s representatives; Dr. Marcelle Nascimento presented a lecture on UFCD Caries Risk Assessment and Management Program, and followed by Dr. Andrea Zandona (UNC) followed with a presentation on Silver Diamine Fluoride: What are dental schools teaching and what should we be teaching?. We then discussed the CaMBRA agenda and regional agenda, and ended the day with a social dinner at Leonardo’s 706. On Friday morning, we discussed the national agenda and concluded the meeting with a tour of the college.

The guests were very impressed with our program and hospitality, but what impressed them the most was the strong the operative curriculum at UFCD. I do not like to brag, but I must admit that we are making a difference in operative dentistry. As the regional CODE director told me in private, "I love how UF teaches us how to teach operative dentistry".

1. Of the 12 dental schools, 11 are using silver diamine fluoride in which only 4 schools had implemented a protocol in their DMD/DDS program and we are one of those pioneer schools.
2. 11 schools out of 12 are using the medical/therapeutic model in their curriculum.
3. There were 5 schools that separate teeth to assess for cavitation/activity, but we are the first school to implement a protocol.
4. We were the only school that used the two-gold standard adhesive systems.
5. There were only three schools that taught polymerization protocols, and we were one of the three.
6. We are the only school that incorporates critical thinking exercises in the simulation laboratory.
7. We are the only school that has a monthly faculty literature review to calibrate faculty.
8. There were only three schools that have an advanced training program in operative dentistry.
9. We are among the top school in passing rate for operative boards.

I just wanted to share this with all of you, and thank you all for your support, and your help to move this division forward.
Dr. Fernando Haddock joins the Division of Operative Dentistry

Fernando J. Haddock, DDS is a new Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Restorative Dental Sciences at the University of Florida College of Dentistry. Dr. Haddock received his dental degree from Marquette University School of Dentistry in 1991 and maintained his private practice for 20 years. He joined the University of Puerto Rico School of Dental Medicine in 1992 as an instructor teaching undergraduate dental students at both pre-clinical and clinical levels in the disciplines of Operative Dentistry and Dental Anatomy. He also served as the Director of the Continuing Education Program at the University of Puerto Rico School of Dental Medicine. In 2014, he joined the Dental College of Georgia at Augusta University as a Clinical Assistant Professor teaching in the disciplines of Operative Dentistry, Dental Anatomy and Esthetic Dentistry. Dr. Haddock has published in several peer-reviewed dental journals and is a diplomat of the American Association of Dental Consultants. We are thrilled to have Dr. Haddock joined the Division of Operative Dentistry.

Drs. Gordan and Nascimento receive UF Term Professorships

Each academic year, the University of Florida makes available to the colleges 250 Term Professorships. Each award runs for 3 years and provides a $5,000/year salary supplement to the awardee. We are so proud and thrilled that Drs. Valeria Gordan and Marcelle Nascimento received the UF Term Professorship in 2017. The awards are based on an assessment of academic accomplishment.

Division of Operative Dentistry and Technology

The Division of Operative Dentistry participated in a Faculty Calibration on E4D Technology. The course was given by Drs. Alex J. Delgado, Luisa Cassiano, and Nader Abdulhameed. It was a 4-hour didactic and hands-on course that covered “How to Scan, Design, Mill and Cement a CAD/CAM Restoration”. The second part of the course will be given during the spring and will continue with “How to Characterize and Fire CAD/CAM Restorations”.

Professional Presentations (Sep-Dec 2017)


Roulet JF. “The Effect of Ceramic Light Scattering and Beam Profile on the Irradiance of Luting Cements” 17th Biennial Meeting of the International College of Prosthodontics, Santiago de Chile, Chile.


Roulet JF. “Cention N: A New Generation of Composite with Great Potential” International Center for Dental Education, Sao Paulo, Brasil

Roulet JF. “Composites: The New Generation with Great Potential” Annual Meeting of Brazilian Orthodontist and Odontopediatrics Professors. Diamantina, Brasil

Delgado AJ. “Erosive Tooth Wear. Etiology, Risk Factors, Diagnosis and Management”. ADA Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA USA.


Roulet JF. “In Vitro Wear of Two Bioactive Composites and One Glass Ionomer Cement” In. Gemeinschaftstagung der DGZ und DGET mit der DGPZM und der DGR2Z. Erhalte Deinen Zahn – Fakten, Kontroversen, Perspektiven. Berlin, Germany


Pereira PN, Ribeiro AP, Cassiano L. Various Restorative Topics. Brazilian Week at University of Florida, Gainesville. FL.

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Dr. Alex J. Delgado speaking at the ADA Annual Meeting in Atlanta, GA, USA (left)

Dr. Saulo Geraldeli Presenting a Lunch and Learn for the Academy of Dental Materials at Nuremberg, Germany. (right)
Published Research (Sep-Dec 2017)


Roulet JF, Abdulhameed NA, Shen C. In vitro Wear of Three Bulk Fill Composites and Enamel. Stoma Edu J. 2017;4(4):244-249

Published Research (Sep-Dec 2017) cont’


Roulet JF. A Consensus-Based Approach to Evidence-Based Clinical Practice. Dental Materials 2017; 33:1067-1068.


Roulet JF. Gute Wünsche. (Good Wishes, Translate to English).Prophylaxe Impuls 21: 171


Faculty Updates

- **Dr. Ana Paula Ribeiro** was selected as the *Class Advisor* for the class of 2020.
- **Dr. Valeria Gordan** was invited to serve as International Reviewer in the promotion process for the Faculty of Dentistry at Kuwait University and also invited as reviewer for the American Association of Dental Research for the Practice-Based Research session/group.
- **Dr. Stephany Kailing-Terza** joins the division of operative dentistry as Adjunct Clinical Assistant Professor.
- **Dr. James Nguyen** joins the division of operative dentistry as Courtesy Clinical Professor.
- **Dr. Saulo Geraldeli** attended the 2017 Kuraray/Noritake Symposium “New CAD/CAM Material and Bonding Technologies”
- **Dr. Saulo Geraldeli** was awarded 1st Place at the SBPqO/Brazilian Division of the IADR, poster modality “Avaliacao da uniao a dentina de sistema adesivos experimentais multi-modo contendo analogos biomimeticos e fosfatos de calcio bioativos”
- **Dr. Jean Francois Roulet** attended the 1st Editors Meeting Prophylaxe Impuls as Editor in Chief in Herne, Germany.
- **Dr. Marcelle Nascimento** created the first UFCD “How to Avoid Dental Caries” patient brochure.
- **Dr. Alex J. Delgado** is the new Clinical Course Director for Operative Dentistry.
- **Dr. Alex J. Delgado** was appointed to the Constitution Committee of the IADR/AADR.

A word from Dr. Delgado

Another year ended and we find ourselves planning for 2018, but also reflecting on the events of 2017. As we reflect, I wanted to thank all the faculty, students and staff associated with the division of Operative Dentistry for moving forward this division. It was a great year!

To summarize, we welcomed new faculty members, a new baby, we gathered in our 1st Spring Picnic and Summer Get Together, we started a new Masters program and a Cariology course, hosted the CODE meeting and begin many new projects. We also had few unexpected situations with some of our Operative Faculty, but with determination, faith and a positive attitude, we overcame those challenges. The most important thing that we learned from the ups and down, is that we are a big, happy diverse operative family and that we are here to support each other at any time. Our aim for 2018 is a commitment to excellence in teaching, research and service from all of us.

Finally, I once again express my most sincere appreciation to our valued students, faculty and staff members; wishing you a healthy and bright start to 2018.

Alex
Dr. Nimmo cares about our students

Dr. Susan Nimmo, who is a faculty adviser for the American Association of Women in Dentistry (AAWD) enjoy networking and socializing during the 2017 Award Dinner held in September at the Omni Amelia Island Plantation Resort in Florida. The University of Florida College of Dentistry student chapter is made up of about 80 members and Dr. Nimmo has been the pillar of this chapter in her tenure at the University of Florida, College of Dentistry. Dr. Nimmo also volunteers her spare time with students providing care to the underserved population in Gainesville, where she helps supervising students at “We Care Clinic”, “Super Sealant Saturday” and science fairs. She is an example of caring for our community.

Providing CARE to our patients

Many of the Operative Dentistry faculty members are devoted to providing comprehensive care to patients in Faculty Practice in the area of prevention, diagnosis, restorative and aesthetic dentistry.

Drs. Rosalia Rey and Susan Nimmo

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