President’s Message

A New Year – A New You!

“A new year, a new you!” is a line that appears every January on the cover of probably 50% of the periodicals for sale at the front of the grocery store. It’s a very simple thought, yet it resonates with most of us at some level. Of course, we aren’t really hoping to be all-new…just better than we were before. Professionally, I know of no better way to accomplish this than through a planned program of continuing education. To this end, the College has been working diligently to provide you, our members, with an exceptional spring program.

In February, we are proud to bring to our members, and their referring orthodontists and prosthodontists, the ACOMS/FACES 29th Annual Winter Meeting in Snowmass, Colorado. For years, Dr. Myron Tucker and Co. brought you the FACES course that spoke to both the OMS and their referring doctors. In that same spirit, directed by Drs. Myron Tucker, Charles Hasse, Brian Farrell, and Bryan Bell, this course boasts an outstanding faculty speaking on cutting edge innovations in contemporary OMS, which is practical for all dental professionals. With ample skiing and a small-group setting, this course is ideal for renewing old friendships or making lifelong new ones. See you on the slopes and in the lecture room.

March will bring a course that is near and dear to my heart, the ACOMS Hands-on Profile-plasty course. Located in the heart of New Orleans, this course provides one day of didactic training focusing on rhinoplasty and genioplasty (hence the Profile-plasty) with a second day available for interested participants to head to the cadaver lab for “hands-on” instruction. This is also a great course for residents, with a reduced tuition rate offered. The venue for this course is truly world-class, and spots are limited, so register today.

Further off in April of 2016, you will want to plan on bringing yourself and your family to sunny Puerto Rico for the 37th Annual ACOMS Scientific Conference and Exhibition. Lecture times are generously spaced among protected time for family to explore and enjoy this unique island. Chaired by Drs. Stephanie Drew and ACOMS President-elect Pedro Franco, this meeting has a dual dedication to honor the women in oral and maxillofacial surgery and also our colleagues in our partnering societies, Asociacion Latinoamericana de Cirugia y Traumatologia Bucomaxilofacial (ALACIBU) and Sociedad Espanola de Cirugia Oral y Maxilofacial (SECOM).

For those wishing to present a scientific abstract at the meeting, the submission deadline is February 5, so be sure to get your submission in soon!

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For those who are looking for a comprehensive review of the OMS specialty, look no further than the ACOMS Recertification Review Boot Camp in June. This phenomenally well-received course is designed to provide a concise and incisive review of oral and maxillofacial surgery. In the meantime, test yourself by following the new ACOMS Question of the Week, now live on acoms.org.

As always, keep an eye to the ACOMS website for the latest in course offerings. New educational content in the works includes virtual surgical planning, placement of zygomatic implants, obstructive sleep apnea, and total joint replacement. New online educational content will soon be available to our members in the form of webinars and online CE courses. In addition, ACOMS Fellows should be sure to download the ACOMS logo to proudly display on their own webpage. If you are interested in participating on an ACOMS planning committee in 2016, please visit acoms.org/volunteer. If you just have suggestions of educational content that you’d like to see in the future, please let us know – we’re here to serve you, our members.

Sincerely,

Jon D. Perenack, DDS, MD
ACOMS President
ACOMS and FACES PRESENT
29th Annual Winter Meeting
February 22-27, 2016
Snowmass, Colorado

Invite your OMS colleagues and friends, your family, and your referring dentists and orthodontists to join us this February to enjoy cutting-edge continuing education, and the spectacular activities that have made Aspen/Snowmass world-famous.

REGISTER TODAY!

Register online or learn more about the meeting at acoms.org/faces
Introducing the Question of the Week

The Question of the Week Blog is intended to provide you with a weekly challenge to enhance your knowledge across the scope of the OMFS specialty. A new question will be posted each Monday, and the answer to each weekly question will be posted in the comments section along with rationale and references. Visit acoms.org/QOTW to view this week’s question. Click "manage subscriptions" to receive notifications when each new question and answer is posted, or return at your convenience and use keyword tagging to sort by subject matter.

Special thanks to our Question of the Week authors:

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This Month’s Clinical Review: Nasal Septorhinoplasty by Dr. Tirbod Fattahi

Visit our learning center to complete this exercise and earn one credit of CDE. While you are in the learning center, you may complete the previous months’ exercises and view video highlights from recent live educational events.

Early Registration Rates End January 31. Register Today!

Join us in New Orleans for the latest installment in our Hands-on Surgical Education Series, providing in-depth didactic and cadaver training for cosmetic procedures of the nose and chin. Attendees rave about the cutting-edge facilities of the LSU Health Sciences Center and our 6:1 attendee to instructor ratio ensures that you will get the guidance that you need to excel.

Featuring:

- Jon D. Perenack, DDS, MD  
  Course Chair; Williamson Cosmetic Center and Perenack Aesthetic Surgery, Baton Rouge, LA
- Tirbod Fattahi, DDS, MD, FACS  
  University of Florida Jacksonville, Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Jacksonville, FL
- James R. Koehler, MD, DDS  
  Eastern Shore Cosmetic Surgery, Fairhope, AL
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Membership

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ACOMS is happy to announce the release of newly-redesigned membership certificates. Be sure to display your ACOMS pride through these professional, scholarly certificates at your home or office. Members wishing to purchase a new certificate may do so online. Reduced-price framing services for certificates are also available. Please visit the ACOMS website for more information and to purchase a certificate today!

Please Welcome Our Newest Members!

Fellows:
- Salim Afshar
- William Burke, Jr.
- Emily Halpern
- David Hoffman
- Lynn Hyland
- Anthony Indovina, Jr.
- Richard Mandel
- Stephen Schendel
- Edward Wise, Jr.

Associate Members:
- Al Haitham Al Shetawi
- Lauren Castro
- Peter Famiglio
- Ihab Kodsi

Is your colleague, co-resident, or friend a member of ACOMS? Search our member directory to find out. If not, tell them to visit acoms.org/join today!
The ACOMS Board of Regents understands how much lifelong learning, mentoring, scholarship and leadership mean to our specialty. Special recognition is given to a surgeon in our specialty each year for the contributions they have given to promote these ideals during their career with the ACOMS Harry Archer Award, which this year will be presented to the well-deserving Cesar Guerrero, DDS.

In the spirit of scholarship and mentorship, the college has initiated an effort to recognize those that are underrepresented in our specialty. In 1960, Elaine Stuebner, DDS, FACD became the first female oral and maxillofacial surgeon. She became a leader not only in OMS but also Anesthesia. Dr. Stuebner educated and mentored many of the surgeons practicing today. She was a trailblazer for the women of our specialty embodying the ideals of the College by promoting lifelong learning and mentoring.

Dr. Steuebner passed away on June 28, 2007. Her obituary read: “Dr. Stuebner not only broke the glass ceiling, but she gave back to the profession through lifelong learning, mentoring and leadership.”

In Dr. Stuebner’s memory the College is beginning an effort to recognize our underrepresented colleagues with an evening dedicated to the women surgeons of our amazing specialty. This evening reception is open to all attendees and will give members of the College the opportunity to network with their colleagues and share ideas and comradery. A surprise awaits all that attend; the evening will be one you will not want to miss. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Stephanie Drew, DMD and Pedro Franco, DDS**

Co-Chairs, ACOMS 37th Annual Scientific Conference and Exhibition

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**Present your research! Submit abstracts by February 5 at acoms.org/abstracts**

**What Are You Waiting For? Register Today at acoms.org/2016!**
Get Involved and Make A Difference: Volunteer to Serve on an ACOMS Committee

Serving on a committee is a great way to help shape the future of YOUR College, learn more about the organization, and meet your peers from across the country. Committee terms for the coming year will run from April 2016 through April 2017. Nominations and self-nominations are now being considered.

Committee on Continuing Education (CCE): Develops guidelines and educational content and assists with coordination of ACOMS meetings, courses, and other CE Events. Committee members must be available to actively participate in monthly one-hour teleconferences and are expected to attend at least one meeting or course within the one-year term.

Communications and Public Relations Committee (CPRC): Develops and monitors ACOMS’ outgoing communications, including development of content for the ACOMS Review newsletter, web and email marketing, event brochures, and forums for online education and interaction. Committee members must be available to actively participate in monthly one-hour teleconferences and are expected to actively participate in online member discussions (coming soon).

Finance Committee: Monitors the ACOMS budget, monthly financial statements, and investments, and reviews the annual audit. Committee members must be available to participate in quarterly one-hour teleconferences and are expected to review financial statements by email monthly.

Membership Committee: Reviews new applications for Fellowship and Membership, plans and engages in membership recruitment and retention campaigns, and develops new member benefit programs. Committee members must be available to actively participate in quarterly one-hour teleconferences and are expected to actively engage in periodic outreach efforts for member recruitment and retention.

Nominating Committee: Brings forth and thoroughly vets candidates for Officer and Regent positions and makes recommendations to the Board of Regents for approval. Committee members must be available for 3-4 teleconferences between November 2016 and February 2017. Previous Board or Committee experience preferred.
Stay Sharp

This case report was recognized with Honorable Mention distinction when it was presented at the ACOMS Residents Meeting, November 4-15, 2015 in Philadelphia, PA.

Diagnostic Dilemma for an Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon

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Diagnosis of rare conditions with atypical presentations that affect oral and facial structures can challenge even the most experienced and knowledgeable Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (OMS) and other medical specialists. Review of these types of cases can help improve our diagnostic capabilities.

Case Report

A 21 year old Caucasian female presented to the ENT Department at Mayo Clinic with concerns of total unilateral right nasal obstruction and weekly epistaxis along with progressive right upper lip and alar base edema and erythema. In the months prior, she noted progressive pain in her right maxillary gingiva and was treated with empiric antibiotics without effect and with prednisone without benefit. Five years prior, she had allogeneic bone grafting at site #7 with dental implant placement,

which failed within a few months and was removed. The leading consideration on the differential diagnosis was osteomyelitis. Figure 1 demonstrates her initial clinical and radiographic presentation.

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She underwent biopsies with ENT and OMS, all of which showed non-specific acute inflammatory changes. Normal nasal flora grew from operative cultures; indium bone scan was negative for signs of osteomyelitis. Nevertheless, Infectious Disease treated her with Ertapenem for 6 weeks without improvement. During this time, she developed spontaneous omental infarction, pulmonary embolism, and pleural effusion. Given this constellation, the differential diagnosis was revisited with renewed concern for an autoimmune inflammatory condition like granulomatosis with polyangiitis (GPA) or IgG4 related disease (IgG4RD) or a myeloproliferative neoplasm or lymphoma.

She was referred to Rheumatology and Hematology. Rheumatologic labs were normal, p- and c-ANCA were negative, and hematologic workup was negative for malignancy. The previous biopsy specimens underwent IgG4 immunoperoxidase studies, which showed the possibility of IgG4 disease, but were below diagnostic levels with normal blood IgG4 levels. The histopathological findings were suggestive of possible granulomatosis with polyangiitis but also non-diagnostic. Multiple imaging modalities were employed during this process. The constellation of her extensive, multidisciplinary workup yielded no definitive diagnosis.

In spite of this, six months after initial presentation, she was started on Rituxan (rituximab) under the working diagnosis of seronegative atypical granulomatosis with polyangiitis (most likely) versus atypical IgG4 disease, both of which are Rituxan-sensitive. Over the next five months of treatment, she had a good response to rituximab with significant improvement in her serum inflammatory markers, stabilization of her facial disease seen on imaging, and improved symptoms. With her disease now quiescent and intraoral tissue deficiencies that resulted from her numerous biopsies, she is considering oral reconstruction with extractions, bone grafts, and dental implants.

Discussion and Conclusions
This case report summarizes a very complex and lengthy diagnostic process in an atypical case of systemic disease with primarily oral and facial manifestations. OMS was integral to leading her diagnostic process and will perform her reconstructive surgeries. It is clear that her case doesn’t fit neatly into established diagnostic criteria and that the involvement of multiple medical specialists was warranted. It was important to adjust the differential diagnosis and clinical workup as the manifestations of her disease progressed. OMS should be aware of atypical presentations of relatively rare diseases like GPA or IgG4RD and the oral, facial, and systemic manifestations of these entities.
Back by popular demand, ACOMS’ fourth annual Recertification Review Boot Camp will provide a comprehensive review of the specialty, with specific focus given to the following subjects:

- Anesthesia and Pain Control
- Clefts
- Cosmetic Surgery
- Implants and Dentoalveolar Surgery
- Medical Assessment of the Surgical Patient
- Orthognathic Surgery
- Pathology
- Reconstruction
- TMJ Disorders
- Trauma

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