

MINUTES OF THE 5TH ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL NETWORK FOR OROFACIAL PAIN AND RELATED DISORDERS METHODOLOGY (INFORM) HELD IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE 101ST GENERAL SESSION OF THE IADR, AND THE 9TH MEETING OF THE LATIN AMERICAN REGION OF THE IADR (LAR), AND THE 12TH WORLD CONGRESS ON PREVENTIVE DENTISTRY (WCPD), ON THURSDAY, 15 JUNE 2023, AT 8:00AM-9:00AM (COLOMBIA TIME), VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM.

(27 Attendees)

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Network's President, Birgitta Häggman-Henrikson, welcomed all members and guests to the business meeting and expressed gratitude for the continued support of members. Nominations Committee Co-Chair, Thomas List, unfortunately could not be present, and the President, relayed his apologies. The President also announced that due to unforeseen circumstances, she would be unavailable to run the second half of the meeting, and Don Nixdorf, the Network's President-Elect would take it over from there.

2. Minutes from 2022 Business Meeting

The minutes of the previous Business Meeting of 16 June 2022, held virtually, were shared via email with INfORM members by Vice-President Rosaria Bucci ahead of the 2023 Business Meeting. The President Birgitta Häggman-Henrikson invited attendees to come forth with comments, questions, or objections regarding the minutes, and hearing none, motioned to accept those as true and accurate record.

3. Financial Report

The financial report was presented by the Secretary/Treasurer, Flavia Kapos, regarding the 2022-2023 financial activities of the Network. For 2022, expenses included payment of the Investigator Award and renewal of the legacy website domain. Membership fees, translation fees (paid by groups working on the DC/TMD translations to a third-party external revision service), and Investigator Award sponsorship from Quintessence constituted our revenues. Given the healthy financial position of INfORM, planned expenses for 2023 include funding ECR Travel Awards to the 3 winners of that competition, hosting the INfORM/Neuroscience joint reception, and providing lunch at the 2023 Guided Discussion Session. There was a question from the President-Elect, Don Nixdorf, about the current number of members (157 members as of June 2023, per the IADR platform) and he encouraged INfORM members to remind any friends and colleagues whose memberships may have lapsed to renew it, since membership dues are the primary way our group activities are sustained. The President Birgitta Häggman-Henrikson asked if there were any other questions from the audience, and, hearing none, motioned to approve the financial report, which was confirmed verbally by the attendees.

4. Committee Updates

The President Birgitta Häggman-Henrikson invited Committee Chairs that were present to report on their committee's activities.

Translations & Protocols

There are currently 9 committee members (in addition to the Chair), and more than 10 ongoing translations of the DC/TMD. Since the last Business Meeting, there have been satellite activities of the committee, organized by committee member Adrian Yap, from Singapore, including collaborative work with Chinese and Korean DC/TMD translation groups. Future activity plans include a workshop of the Southeast Asia Division Meeting (led by Adrian Yap, in collaboration with Malaysian, Indonesian, Thailand, and Philippines representatives, November 2023), and development of translation guidelines for the DC/TMD for children and adolescents, which will be done in parallel to the Swedish translation (target completion November 2023), as well as the Brief DC/TMD, which will use a similar process (target completion March 2024).

Communications

The Communications Committee is currently undergoing a leadership transition, after Iacopo Cioffi stepped down from the Chair position earlier this year. Flavia Kapos shared a brief update, including information sent by Iacopo (via Rosaria Bucci, with Iacopo's apology for not being able to attend the Business Meeting), regarding statistics of current users who engaged with the INfORM Facebook account. There were 13 posts on Facebook and 6 posts on Twitter in the past year. INfORM members were encouraged to follow INfORM on these social media platforms. A new communications strategy and committee team are to be assembled in the coming year, including a new Chair [5-year term], or two Co-Chairs. INfORM members were encouraged to consider these opportunities and reach out to INfORM officers for more information.

Data Management

Data Management updates were reported by Anna Lövgren. She is assembling the new committee members and assessing goals for the future, including collaboration with external stakeholders developing orofacial pain registries. E.g., Flavia Kapos shared an update about the TMJ/TMD Coordinated Registry Network led by the patient advocates from the TMJ association (TMJA) in coordination with the FDA (work recently published in *Frontiers in Digital Health*, Gressler et al., 2023), and Don Nixdorf reported on updates from the trigeminal neuralgia registry being led by the patient advocates of the Facial Pain Association (FPA) in coordination with the AAOP and the CHOIR Network at Stanford University.

Early Career Researchers' (ECR)

ECR updates were reported by Flavia Kapos and Sonia Sharma (not in attendance). The Committee organized two sets of activities for the upcoming IADR 2023 General Session: The first in-person guided discussion session with Justin Durham, Malin Ernberg, Estephan Moana-Filho, and Richard Ohrbach as mentors, as well as ice-breaker games at the joint INfORM/Neuroscience reception. Plans for 2023-2024 include to select two new Co-Chairs [2-year term] and possibly add more committee members, as well as maintain current ECR activities. The two current Co-Chairs will remain available to serve as committee members for

continuity. INfORM members were encouraged to consider this opportunity and reach out to current Co-Chairs for more information. Other goals include to continue to facilitate ECR participation in INfORM activities, and support ECR funding (e.g., travel awards).

Education Committee

Education updates were reported by Chris Penlington. There are six current members (in addition to the Chair). The committee is working on mapping minimum and aspirational recommended educational standards for undergraduate dental training with regards to TMD across countries, and from the IASP dental curriculum on pain. Plans for 2023-2024 are to finalize the summary of their findings on current undergraduate TMD educational standards and prepare a workshop for IADR 2024 to obtain INfORM members' input about educational recommendations. Future activities being considered also include to recruit a patient representative for the committee and develop a study about patient perspectives on best practices for initial care of TMD by general dentists (e.g., published literature review and focus groups).

Examiner Training and Reliability

The Examiner Training and Reliability had a leadership transition earlier this year, when the past Chair, Per Alstergren, stepped down, and Michail Koutris became the new Chair. As of 2022, there are a total of six active training centers: Malmö (Sweden), Umeå (Sweden), Aarhus (Denmark), Leipzig (Germany), Oulo (Finland), and Tokyo (Japan). Two new centers continue to be in planning phase: Brazil and Singapore. The future challenges continue to be to establish guidelines for training in Brief DC/TMD and for adolescents and DC/TMD for children.

Governance

Governance updates were reported by Chris Peck, the new Chair as of this year, since Jean-Paul Goulet stepped down. The INfORM by-laws were shared in advance of the Business Meeting for INfORM members to review. At the upcoming IADR General Session 2023, there will be an opportunity to discuss the 5-10 year Vision for INfORM. This and any additional member feedback will be considered for incorporation into the new revision of the by-laws before next year's Business Meeting.

Investigator Awards

Investigator Awards updates were reported by Rosaria Bucci and Michail Koutris (per INfORM by-laws, the competition is run by the current Vice-President and immediate past President). The competition is scheduled to take place virtually on June 22nd, 2023, for the INfORM Investigator Awards by Quintessence Publishing and Journal of Oral & Facial Pain and Headache, including the Samuel F. Dworkin Predoctoral Award and the Barry J. Sessle Postdoctoral Award. The simple application process has been maintained from 2022, where applicants only have to check a box for the INfORM Investigator Award during IADR abstract submission, and provide a 1-page CV/biography, as well as a 1-page letter of recommendation. Given the number of eligible candidates (5; 2 pre-doctoral and 3 post-doctoral), the competition is planned to combine both categories, and a single winner to be selected (for the award that corresponds to

their career stage). Three judges have been confirmed: Malin Ernberg, Chris Peck, and Rosaria Bucci.

Nominations Committee

Nomination updates were reported by Thomas List (not in attendance) and Ambra Michelotti. The board of elected officers between 2020 and 2024 was presented. Elected officers for the 2023-2024 cycle will be: Don Nixdorf (President), Rosaria Bucci (President-Elect), Daniele Manfredini (Vice-President), Anna Lövgren (Secretary-Treasurer), and Yoshihiro Tsukiyama (Councilor). New positions for 2024-2025, to be nominated for elections later this year, will be Vice-President, and Councilor. The Nominations Committee has been in contact with potential candidates, and any INfORM members are also welcome to self-nominate.

Taxonomy

Taxonomy updates were reported by Don Nixdorf and Mark Drangsholt (not in attendance). Past activities including participation in the publication of the International Classification of Orofacial Pain (ICOP), supported by INfORM and other groups such as the International Association for the Study of Pain, American Academy of Orofacial Pain, and International Headache Society, and the Brief DC/TMD (led by Drs. Justin Durham, Per Alstergren, and Richard Ohrbach), which has recently been submitted for publication consideration. Plans for 2023-2024 include to assemble a group to develop a version of the DC/TMD focused on endodontic patient population, using the general format of the Brief DC/TMD. The suggestion is for Iryna Daline and Maria Pigg to lead the group and to engage the American Academy of Endodontics (AAE) and the European Society for Endodontology (ESE).

Website

Website updates were reported by Juan Fernando Oyarzo. The committee is happy to announce the launch of the new INfORM at inform-iadr.com. The website transition was supported by the Executive Committee and implemented by support staff at the University at Buffalo, in coordination with Richard Ohrbach. Plans for 2023-2024 include to complete updates of information on the new website and fixing links, as well as exploring possible new features (e.g., building a repository of DC/TMD translation logs, integrating INfORM social media connections, and opportunities to communicate with INfORM committees and membership more broadly). The legacy website domain will redirect to the new website for the next couple of years.

5. INfORM Project Updates

A summary of INfORM projects published since the last Business Meeting was presented, including 4 papers where INfORM was a group author (e.g., DC/TMD for children, and DC/TMD for adolescents), and 4 additional papers based on INfORM collaborations (e.g., DC/TMD for children and adolescents Delphi Axis II paper, which was accepted before the implementation of the INfORM group authorship process). The Brief DC/TMD, which is currently under review will also include INfORM group authorship. INfORM members were encouraged to check the INfORM by-laws for information how to request INfORM group authorship or endorsement of projects that advance INfORM goals.

6. Overview of INFORM Activities at 2023 IADR General Session

Information about INFORM-Sponsored activities at the 2023 IADR were presented. There were 22 accepted abstracts, 4 interactive talk sessions (3 with Keynote Speakers), 1 virtual ECR guided discussion session, 1 investigator award competition, and 1 symposium (Potentials of Biofeedback Therapy for Dentistry), 1 reception, and 1 open workshop/satellite symposium (INFORM–The Next Step: Creating A 10-year Vision). INFORM members were encouraged to sign up for the three activities that require registration (all free for INFORM members attending the 2023 General Session): the open workshop, the reception, and the guided discussion session. Links were sent via email to INFORM members in the past weeks.

7. INFORM 2024 Planning: Call for Volunteers

The upcoming IADR General Session is scheduled to be held in New Orleans, United States, on March 13-16th, 2023. INFORM members were called to volunteer for Scientific Program Chair [2-year term], abstract reviewers [<1-year term], symposia/workshop organizers, and INFORM reception organizers. Given the relatively short period until the next General Session in March, we expect the symposia submission deadline for IADR to be around August 2023, so Vice-President Rosaria Bucci, reminded all to start planning accordingly if they would like to propose a session. There was also a summary of INFORM Committee Chair openings that are currently actively recruiting: Communications Committee [5-year term], and Early Career Researcher (ECR) Committee. [2-year term]. All INFORM members were again encouraged to consider these opportunities and reach out to current INFORM leadership for more information.

8. Any Other Business

Akiko Shimada shared that this coming August the Japan DC/TMD training center is planning to hold their first DC/TMD training session – Congratulations! The President-Elect, Don Nixdorf, asked if there were any other business from the audience, and hearing none, thanked all attendees for their presence and participation, adjourning the meeting. The Executive Committee is looking forward to seeing all at the General Session next week in Bogotá!