

ORCA Summer school , Athens, Greece, 17-18 April, 2015.

This summer school was organized by ORCA, in order to stimulate research related to cariology in the countries of the Mediterranean and Middle East, and to raise interest of young scientists in this region to join ORCA. However, applications from other countries were accepted as well, and the final list of the participants exceeded the geographical area of Mediterranean.(see list below).

The event was sponsored by Colgate, Johnson & Johnson, Procter & Gamble. Also, a significant contribution was received from Karger publishers, who on the occasion of its 125 yrs anniversary, supported the summer school participants with 100 CHF per person.

One day course on **Minimal interventions in dental caries control: diagnostic and treatment-related decisions** was given to the joint audience of the participants of the Summer school and the local dental practitioners. The course was held at the Dental School, University of Athens. The presentations were provided by Jo Frencken, Vita Machiulskiene, Joana Carvalho, Bente Nyvad, Sebastian Paris, Klaus Neuhaus and Chris Rahiotis. The general concept of minimal intervention dentistry, the role of early caries lesion detection and lesion activity assessment, the principles of caries control in daily practice and for the individual patient, as well as minimally invasive approaches for treatment of enamel and dentine caries, caries next to restorations, were covered by the speakers. Following the presentations, a very stimulating discussion between the participants and the panel of lecturers took place.

The **workshop on Clinical Research** continued after the lecture course. Additional presentations on the methodological issues and statistic in clinical research as well as on the requirements for scientific papers, were given to the Summer school participants by David Beighton and Vasileios Margaritis. The workshop followed the traditional model of an interactive training that proved to be successful and much appreciated by the , in a number of previous ORCA summer schools. Thus, all the participants were divided in 4 groups and guided by the lecturers. The groups had a task to prepare a protocol of a clinical study, and then present it for discussion to all participants.

The Coordinating committee of the Summer school represented by ORCA Vice-President Vita Machiulskiene and by the ORCA Advisory Board member Chris Rahiotis (Athens University) thanks all the lecturers, for their invaluable contribution to the Summer school programme. Thanks go to the sponsors as well, for the financial support of the event. The organizers are also very happy about the positive feedback received from the Summer school participants when the event was over. Some of them expressed their great enthusiasm to join ORCA and hopefully, attend the ORCA congresses in the near future.



List of participants		
	Name	Home country
1	Sertac Peker	Turkey
2	Sevi Burcak Cehreli	Turkey
3	Alperen Degirmenci	Turkey
4	Neslihan Arhun	Turkey
5	Tutku Atmaca	Turkey
6	Gozetici Burku	Turkey
7	Atalayin Cigdem	Turkey
8	Vita Zalite	Latvia
9	Renata Chalas	Poland
10	Ewa Rodakowska	Poland
11	Joanna Baginska	Poland
12	Ruta Grigalauskiene	Lithuania
13	Egle Slabsinskiene	Lithuania
14	Iren Moraru	Romania
15	Tijen Pamir	Turkey
16	Roberto Pinna	Italy
17	Spangopoulos Dimitrios	Greece
18	Petraki Vaso	Greece
19	Zappi Anastasia	Greece
20	Kafetzi Dimitra	Greece
21	Karveli Aggeliki	Greece
22	Vasilopoulos Akis	Greece
23	Sakelaropoulos Orestis	Greece
24	Tagka Elissavet	Greece

25	Diomataris Michalis	Greece
26	Vierou Alexia	Greece
27	Kaoulazidou Elisavet	Greece
28	Kouros Pantelis	Greece
29	Dionisopoulos Dimitrios	Greece
30	Chatzinikolaou Ino	Greece
31	Dimosiari Lina	Greece
32	Vourtsa Georgia	Greece
33	Kotrogianni Maria	Greece
34	Ntovas Panagiotis	Greece