



Media release

2018 Straumann-botiss YoungPro Award goes to Piero Papi

Basel/Berlin, 12 November 2018: At the botiss bone & tissue World Congress in Berlin, the 2018 Straumann-botiss YoungPro Award in Regenerative Dentistry was presented to Dr Piero Papi from Sapienza University in Rome, for his work on implant placement and bone augmentation in the esthetic area of the mouth. The award is sponsored by Straumann and botiss and is worth €10 000.

The winning entry

Entitled 'Immediate implant placement and peri-implant augmentation with a porcine-derived acellular dermal matrix (mucoderm®) and synthetic bone (maxresorb®) in the esthetic area', Dr Papi's winning submission covers 15 single-tooth replacements in the front of the mouth, performed in 15 patients up to 8 weeks after tooth extraction. A guided-bone regeneration procedure, using a synthetic bone-graft together with a 3-dimensional matrix was performed in each case to build up bone around the implant. Dr Papi's work shows that the contour and attachment of the gingiva around the implant was successfully augmented and remained stable after 12 months. His entry will be published on TARGET, <https://www.straumann.com/en/discover/news.html>.

The Award

The Straumann-botiss YoungPro Award is a bi-annual prize, which was created in 2015 with the aim of fostering and encouraging the development of young dental professionals in the field of regenerative dentistry and dental biomaterials research. Dental practitioners, students, researchers, etc. under the age of 35 compete for the prize by submitting original work that contributes to the advancement of treatment/care or research in regenerative dentistry. The winner receives a cash prize of €10 000 and the top three entrants win a trip to the bone & tissue days World Congress in Berlin. The previous winners are Dr Andreas Pabst (Germany) and Dr Vitor Sapata (Brazil).

The 2018 winner

Piero Papi, DDS is a Research Fellow in the Oral Surgery Unit of the Department of Oral and Maxillo-Facial Sciences at Sapienza University in Rome, Italy. He also serves as a Teaching Assistant of Implantology and lectures in oral implantology in the Master's program. He obtained his DDS and MDS degrees at Sapienza University, where he is currently completing his PhD with a focus on bone and tissue regeneration, under the supervision of Prof. G. Pompa. In 2016, Dr Papi was a Visiting Scholar at the University Complutense of Madrid, under the supervision of Prof. G. Pradies. He has authored a number of publications and is a member of the ITI and the EAO.

The runners-up

The second prize was presented to **Amruta Joshi BDS, MDS**, a private practitioner in Mumbai, India, for her work entitled "In-vivo comparative evaluation of collagen membrane containing



recombinant human platelet derived growth factor-BB and autologous platelet rich fibrin membrane when used for periodontal regeneration – a clinical and biochemical study.”

The third prize was awarded to **Lennart Kühnel**, a medical student and doctoral candidate at the Department of Oral maxillofacial Surgery, University Medical Center Hamburg-Eppendorf in Germany for his work on the “Development of a volume stable barrier membrane for guided bone regeneration based on an HF-coated magnesium mesh combined with a collagen membrane: in vivo biocompatibility, tissue response and bone regeneration.”

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