



Join Your Colleagues in October for the Virtual International Orthodontic Congress

Get Worldwide Clinical and Scientific Perspectives from the Comfort of Your Home or Office

Organizers of the 9th International Orthodontic Congress (IOC) have transformed the meeting that had been planned to be held in Yokohama to a virtual event taking place October 4-6. The IOC will encompass a variety of world-class educational opportunities.



Dr. Allan R. Thom

“Saddened as we were when it became clear there was no possibility of being together in person in Yokohama, we have found a new opportunity to expand the WFO’s ability to provide virtual continuing education,” said Dr. Allan R. Thom, president of the WFO.

“As everyone is aware, this will be the WFO’s first virtual meeting. The arrangements have

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Register Now and Plan Your Virtual IOC Experience

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR THE VIRTUAL INTERNATIONAL ORTHODONTIC CONGRESS.](#)

Please note the meeting logistics included below as you plan your schedule:

- **Orthodontists, postgraduate students and allied health professionals serving on orthodontic teams worldwide are invited to register.**
WFO Fellows and student members receive discounted registration.
- **Pre-recorded lectures by the IOC speakers will initially be transmitted for viewing by registrants October 4-6.**
Lectures will be released in groups (see additional information on page 2).
- **On-demand recorded IOC lectures will be available to registrants from October 7 – November 3.**
The archived recordings will include all IOC lectures, available to all registrants during the designated period.

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gone smoothly in terms of technology logistics, as well as the positive responses that we received from many lecturers who were willing to work with us on this new approach. We are very grateful for the flexibility that most of the original IOC speakers afforded us in transitioning to virtual presentations.

“We would also like to recognize the hard work of the organizing committee on converting the meeting to a virtual event,” Dr. Thom continued. “And we deeply appreciate our gracious host organization, the Japanese Orthodontic Society.”

As originally planned, the IOC will take place in conjunction with the 12th Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society (APOS) Conference and the 79th Annual Meeting of the Japanese Orthodontic Society, with all programs occurring virtually. APOS and JOS lectures will be open to all IOC participants.

“It is a high privilege for the Japanese Orthodontic Society to host the 9th International Orthodontic Congress,” said Dr. Keiji Moriyama, president of the Japanese Orthodontic Society. “We truly hope many orthodontists and allied health professionals from around the world will join us to exchange knowledge and information, expand our clinical expertise and open the door to the brightest possible future for orthodontics.”

“There are many people seeking orthodontic treatment even in today’s situation,” said Dr. Takashi Ono, chairman of the 9th IOC. “We, as a team, are the health providers who will help those who want beautiful, healthy smiles. This is a moment to look up, study and gain state-of-the-art knowledge and information at the virtual 9th IOC.”

IOC Will Offer Specialized Programs

Dr. Thom notes the virtual IOC will offer auxiliary features that enhance the orthodontic meeting experience.

“In addition to more than 100 lectures, there will also be 800 e-posters and a virtual exhibitors’ platform,” said Dr. Thom. “There will be an Allied Health Professionals Program of lectures for orthodontic team members. And the 9th IOC Resident Forum, offered in cooperation with the Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society (APOS), will be a virtual platform for postgraduate students in orthodontics, their faculty and department leaders.”

The International Boards Symposium, which is open to all participants, is likely to be of particular interest to orthodontic association leaders and academicians working on orthodontic board certification initiatives for their countries or regions.

“We look forward to sharing every aspect of the intellectually stimulating experience of our meeting program in the virtual realm,” says Dr. Thom. ▼



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- ▶ **A certificate of attendance will be made available for participants to present to their national continuing education accrediting organizations when applying for CE credit.**

Please note that the decision of whether to award the CE credit based on the certificate is up to each accrediting organization. The certificate itself does not necessarily guarantee receipt of the indicated amount of CE credit.

- ▶ **The virtual IOC will be a 24/7 on-demand meeting.**

Each day’s program will offer 10-12 lecture series for doctors, the Allied Health Professionals lecture series and an Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society lecture series. All lectures will be pre-recorded. Groups of sessions will be released at 8 am JST (Japan Standard Time) and 4 pm JST, starting at 8 am JST on October 4.

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE IN THE IOC PROGRAM AT A GLANCE](#)

Interact with IOC Speakers and Exhibitors

Interactivity will be achieved via a comment window at the side of each IOC lecture screen. Each participant may fill in his or her affiliation (optional), name, and e-mail address, and then post comments or questions for the speaker. Posts will be reviewed by a moderator and then forwarded to the speaker. The speaker can then reply via the comment window.

The virtual IOC exhibitors’ platform will include each exhibitor email address on the company’s exhibit page for convenient contact with the exhibitors by participants who are interested in their products or services.

Time Zone Comparison Examples

Below are examples of conversions for the same time:

- ▶ 8 am JST on October 4 in Yokohama;
- ▶ 12 am on October 4 in the United Kingdom;
- ▶ 5 pm on October 3 In New York City.

Use a [time zone converter](#) to compare the IOC times with your local time.

Please note: With the exception of the Opening Ceremonies and Closing Ceremonies, all lectures will be available for world-wide access following their release times as noted above. ▼



Virtual IOC to Offer More Than 100 Lectures Addressing More Than 30 Clinical and Scientific Topics



Dr. Takayuki Kuroda

The IOC Opening Ceremony, which will begin at 4 pm JST (Japan Standard Time) on October 4, will include the WFO Honorary Lecture as originally planned. **Dr. Takayuki Kuroda**, professor emeritus at Tokyo Medical and Dental University, will present “Evidence-based Orthodontic Treatment: What Is the Evidence?”

During his long career as an orthodontic educator, Dr. Kuroda was professor and orthodontic department chairman at Tokyo Medical and Dental University. He also served for three years as professor and chairman of the university's graduate program in Maxillofacial Orthognathics (Department of Maxillofacial Reconstruction and Function). Early in his career he held research associate appointments at The Royal Dental College Copenhagen Department of Orthodontics and at the Center for Human Growth and Development, University of Michigan.

Dr. Kuroda is an Honorary Member of the WFO and the Japanese Orthodontic Society, and is a past Board member of the Japanese Orthodontic Society. In addition, he represented Asia on the WFO Executive Committee.



Dr. Eric J.W. Liou

An additional featured presentation will be the Asian Pacific Orthodontic Society (APOS) Oration, with **Dr. Eric J.W. Liou** presenting “Redirecting Mandibular and Maxillary Growth in Pubertal Growing Patients with Class III Malocclusion.” The APOS Oration lecture, available to all participants, will be released at 4 pm JST on October 5.

Dr. Liou is the vice president of the APOS and is a past president of the Taiwan Association of Orthodontists. He is an associate professor and the immediate past chairman of the Faculty of Dentistry, Chang Gung Memorial Hospital & Chang Gung University, Taipei, Taiwan. He is also a visiting professor in the Department of Orthodontics, Showa University, Tokyo, and an editor of *APOS Trends in Orthodontics*.

The Scientific Program for doctors will encompass 31 themes (see box on page 4), with each theme including two or more lectures (for a total of more than 100 lectures). ▼

CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE COMPLETE IOC PROGRAM OF SPEAKERS AND LECTURES

9TH INTERNATIONAL ORTHODONTIC CONGRESS PROGRAM THEMES

Accelerated Tooth Movement

Airway

Clear Aligners

Biology in Orthodontics

Biomechanics

Bone Biology

Edgewise Appliance

Class II Treatment

Class III Treatment

Cleft Lip and Palate

Craniofacial Disorders

Craniofacial Growth

Diagnosis and Treatment Planning

Early Treatment

Evidence Based Orthodontics

Facial Esthetics

Genetics

Imaging and Digital Orthodontics

Interdisciplinary Treatment

Open Bite Treatment

Oral Physiology and Treatment

Obstructive Sleep Apnea

Patient's Expectations and Treatment

Problems in Orthodontic Treatment

Periodontal Considerations

The Smile

Orthognathic Surgery

Temporary Anchorage Devices

TMJ

Rising Stars

ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS PROGRAM WILL HELP BUILD KNOWLEDGE

The virtual IOC will offer high-quality educational sessions for orthodontic clinical and support staff. The seven Allied Health Professionals lectures will be released in groups at 8 am JST each day on October 4, 5 and 6. Lecture themes will include:

- ▶ Myofunctional Therapy
- ▶ New Digital Technology in Orthodontic Clinic
- ▶ Marketing and Practice Management
- ▶ Advancement in Digital Technology

In Closing: Join Us for a Dynamic Conclusion to the IOC

“An in-person closing ceremony will not be possible as originally planned, of course, but organizers of the 9th IOC are developing a program to help everyone gain perspective on the scale and impact of the program that we will have just experienced,” said Dr. Allan R. Thom, WFO president. “In addition, the closing will offer some inspiration for all of us confronting the challenges facing orthodontists, as well as glimpses of the future of the WFO.”

The Closing Ceremonies program, which will be released at 4 pm JST (Japan Standard Time) on October 6, will have an event-like agenda, including remarks by IOC Chairman Dr. Takashi Ono recapping the Congress and its benefits to participants in the future.

“We will also hear from Dr. Keiji Moriyama, president of our host organization, the Japanese Orthodontic Society,” said Dr. Takahashi Toshihiko, secretariat of the 9th IOC. “We will recognize our outstanding current WFO leaders and introduce the new WFO Executive Committee, the members of which will lead the WFO for the next five years. In addition, Dr. Flavia Artese, chairman of the 10th IOC, will preview plans for our next worldwide Congress which is scheduled October 8-11, 2025 in Rio de Janeiro.” ▼



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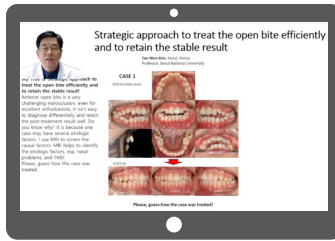
Lecturers Offer Pre-IOC Video Greetings to Colleagues

IOC speakers have begun posting introductory videos on the Congress website and their social media pages, in some cases briefly previewing their lectures. Click on each video screen to “meet” the speaker via video.



Dr. Chris Chang

Gummy Smile Correction



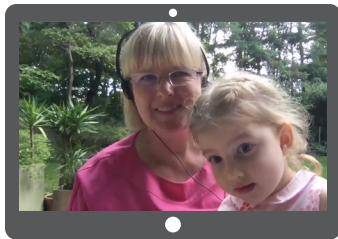
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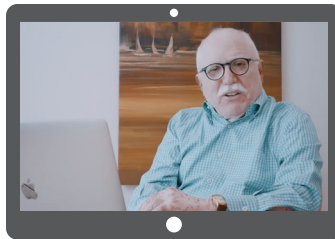
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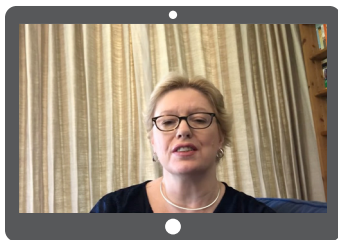
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Complex Interdisciplinary Adult Treatments



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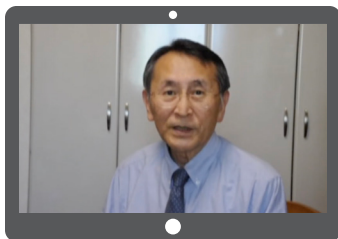
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Early Treatment of Class III Malocclusion with TADs



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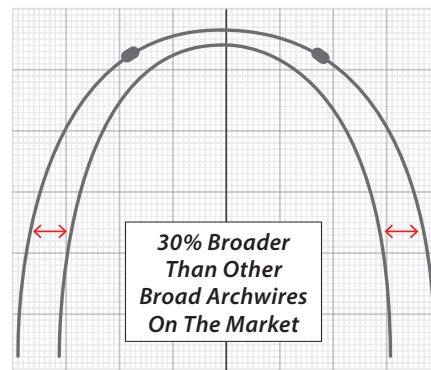
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