

Congratulations

Dear Reader,

It is a pleasure and a great honor to be able to announce that the Editor-in-Chief of our journal, Prof. Dr. Jean-François Roulet, was appointed as “Honorary Professor” by the Ukrainian Medical Dental Academy. Although this appointment dates from August 2010, it was only made public recently on the occasion of a congress, entitled “Spring Seminar of Dental Art – Restoration in Free Design”, a congress organized by Dental Art (Sergey Radlinsky).

In explaining their motivation, the chairman of the Academy called Jean-François the great promotor of adhesive dentistry, not only based on his impressive track record in research with regard to the broad field of adhesive dentistry, but also for being the author and editor of numerous text books related to adhesive dentistry and most recently to today’s well-accepted concept of minimally invasive dentistry. Of course, his serving now for the thirteenth year as Editor-in-Chief of our Journal, which is specifically devoted to adhesive dentistry, has made this extraordinary appointment more than deserved. Especially in Ukraine, adhesive dentistry has offered dentists the indispensable means to deliver good dental care to a population with limited financial resources. With this appointment as Honorary Professor, the Ukrainian Medical Dental Academy wanted to thank Jean-François for his sustained efforts to advance current dental adhesive technology.

Upon this occasion, I also would like to announce that Jean-François Roulet was recently appointed the first chair of the University of Florida College of Dentistry’s new Department of Restorative Dental Sciences, effective October 7, 2011. For the last eight years, Jean-François has been director of the Department of Research and Development/Clinical at Ivoclar Vivadent in Liechtenstein. He now returns to academia at the University of Florida College of Dentistry, where he already worked in 1989-1990 as a visiting professor in the Department of Dental Biomaterials, working with Dr. Ken Anusavice.



The newly appointed Honorary Professors: Prof. Sergey Radlinsky (left), Prof. Jean-François Roulet (right).

My sincere congratulations to Jean-François for both his appointment as Honorary Professor in Ukraine and his future position of Chair at the Department of Restorative Dental Sciences at Gainesville.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bart Van Meerbeek'. The signature is stylized and includes a horizontal line underneath.

Bart Van Meerbeek