



## Introducing Our New Editor-in-Chief



**Rafael Benoliel** is currently director of the Center for Orofacial Pain and Temporomandibular Disorders at the Rutgers School of Dental Medicine, where he also serves as associate dean for research. He completed his dental training with honors and distinction at the University of London. Following 2 years of training in oral and maxillofacial surgery, Dr Benoliel became part of the dental faculty at the Hebrew University Hadassah Medical School in Jerusalem. There, he completed a concentration in orofacial pain under the mentorship of Dr Yair Sharav and served as chair of the Department of Medicine from 2003 to 2010 before joining the dental school at Rutgers in 2013. Dr Benoliel has published extensively on the subject of orofacial pain, including over 120 articles, book chapters, and case reports. He is also co-editor of the award-winning textbook *Orofacial Pain and Headache* (Quintessence, 2015). Dr Benoliel lectures extensively nationally and internationally, serves on the editorial board of several leading journals, and has served on many scientific committees, including those of the International Association for the Study of Pain, the International Headache Society, and the Research Diagnostic Criteria for Temporomandibular Disorders.

## ... and Eight New Associate Editors

**Eli Eliav** earned his dental and MSc and PhD degrees and completed his residency training in oral medicine at Hebrew University in his native Israel. He then completed a research fellowship at the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research related to pain and neurosensory mechanisms. He joined the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ; Newark, New Jersey, USA) as an associate professor in 2004 and then the University of Rochester Medical Center (Monroe County, New York, USA) in 2013, when he was appointed director of the Eastman Institute for Oral Health and vice dean for oral health within the School of Medicine and Dentistry. Previously, Dr Eliav served as director of the Center for Temporomandibular Disorders and Orofacial Pain, chair of the Department of Diagnostic Sciences at the UMDNJ, and the university's Carmel Endowed Chair in Algesiology since 2004. Dr Eliav's current research projects involve orofacial pain, quantitative sensory testing, neuropathic pain, pain modulation, and the role of inflammation in neuropathic pain.



**Malin Ernberg** is professor of clinical oral physiology, chair of the Division of Oral Diagnostics and Rehabilitation, and associate head of research at the Department of Dental Medicine at the Karolinska Institutet (KI) in Stockholm, Sweden. Dr Ernberg was accredited as a specialist in orofacial pain and temporomandibular disorders by the Swedish Board of Health and Welfare in 1995. She received her PhD in 1999 and became an associate professor at the KI in 2004. Between 2004 and 2006, she was guest researcher at the Department of Orofacial Pain at Aarhus University, Aarhus, Denmark, and between 2009 and 2014 she held a 50% clinical research position at KI financed by the Swedish Research Council. She has served as president of the Neuroscience Group of the International Association for Dental Research and as president of the Swedish Pain Society—the national chapter of the International Association for the Study of Pain (IASP)—and as the Swedish councillor of the European Pain Federation of IASP Chapters.

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**Jan Hoffmann** is an associate professor (Privatdozent) in neuroscience and a neurologist at the Department of Systems Neuroscience at the University Medical Center Hamburg-Eppendorf, Hamburg, Germany. He currently serves as a member of the board of the German Migraine and Headache Society (DMKG) and as associate editor for *Cephalalgia*, the official journal of the International Headache Society. Dr Hoffmann obtained his medical degree at the Charité — Universitätsmedizin Berlin, Germany, where he also received his neurology training. After being awarded his doctoral degree, he spent several years as a postdoctoral fellow at the Department of Neurology at the University of California in San Francisco, USA. Since 2015, he has been working at the University Medical Center in Hamburg-Eppendorf as a neurologist and clinician scientist, attending headache and facial pain patients in a specialized outpatient service and also conducting clinical and basic science research. His research has been focused on molecular and physiologic mechanisms of trigeminal activation in a broad range of in vitro and in vivo models, as well as neuroimaging techniques.

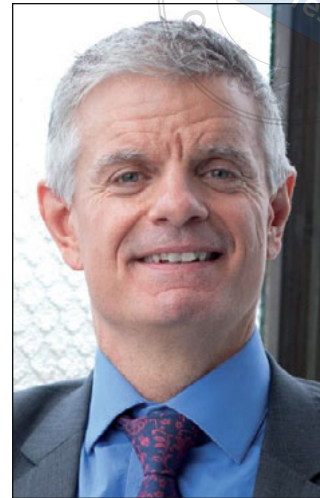
**Gilles Lavigne** completed his dental degree at the Université de Montréal (Montréal, Canada), his oral medicine training at Georgetown University (Washington, DC, USA), and his PhD at the University of Toronto (Toronto, Ontario, Canada). His postdoctoral training on the neurobiology of pain was completed at the National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland, USA. He received a doctor honoris causa from the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, Center for Dentistry, University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland. Dr Lavigne holds a Canada Research Chair in Pain, Sleep, and Trauma and was dean of the Faculty of Dental Medicine at the Université de Montréal from 2008 to 2016. He has also served as president of the Canadian Sleep Society and of the Canadian Pain Society and is co-founder and past director of the three research networks for oral health, pain, and placebo mechanisms under the Quebec Health Research Fund (FRQS) and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research. Dr Lavigne is internationally recognized for his experimental and clinical research projects on sleep bruxism and the interactions between sleep, pain, and breathing disorders.



**Richard Ohrbach** is professor of oral diagnostic sciences at the University at Buffalo (Buffalo, New York, USA). His past education includes a certificate in pain management (University of California at Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, USA), a PhD in clinical psychology (University at Buffalo), and a past residency in behavioral medicine and postdoctoral fellowship in behavioral epidemiology (University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, USA). He received an Odont Dr (honoris causa) from Malmö University (Malmö, Sweden). Dr Ohrbach is currently a clinical pain researcher and member of the International Association for the Study of Pain, the International Association for Dental Research, the American Pain Society, and the American Academy of Orofacial Pain. He is also the past director of the International RDC/TMD Consortium Network and the current chair of the Translations Committee of the International Network for Orofacial Pain and Related Disorders Methodology. Dr Ohrbach has received numerous research awards, among them the Physician Scientist Award and the National Research Service Award from the National Institutes of Dental Research. His current research has included multi-site studies regarding

diagnostic systems for temporomandibular disorders—including the Diagnostic Criteria for TMD—and multi-site studies regarding etiologic factors for TMD onset and persistence as part of the OPPERA research team, which has to date published over 50 papers.

**Chris Peck**, director of the University of Sydney's (Sydney, Australia) Westmead initiative, leads the development of academic activities across the multibillion-dollar precinct, which includes four hospitals and three medical research institutes. Professor Peck's role as dean of dentistry at the University of Sydney for the past 8 years has comprised of developing and leading the multidisciplinary strategy to integrate dental and systemic health; curriculum reform; and the introduction of the Doctor of Dental Medicine degree. He also led the New South Wales (NSW) Ministerial Taskforce on Oral Health, which led to the Oral Health Strategic Plan 2020, and led the NSW Health Specialist Services Review. Professor Peck's academic interests include the management of complex orofacial pain and researching the transition from acute to disabling chronic pain conditions. A strong advocate for multidisciplinary patient management, he is internationally renowned for his leadership and for his contributions to translational research in orofacial pain. He is a senior facial pain expert in the state's public health care system at the Royal North Shore Hospital's Pain Management Research Institute and is involved in patient care, clinical supervision, and research.



**Maria Pigg** is an associate professor in the Department of Endodontics, Faculty of Odontology, Malmö University, Malmö, Sweden. Dr Pigg graduated with a degree in dentistry from the University of Gothenburg (Gothenburg, Sweden) in 1993 and obtained postgraduate clinical training in endodontics at Malmö University, where she also completed her research training. Her doctoral thesis on diagnostics in chronic intraoral pain led to a doctoral degree obtained in 2011, and she has also held a docenture since 2017. Dr Pigg's current research focuses on the development and validation of clinical diagnostic methods in acute and chronic orofacial pain. She frequently lectures on acute and chronic dental pain, including differential diagnostics, and has co-authored review articles and book chapters on persistent dentoalveolar pain, neuropathic orofacial pain, and endodontic emergencies. Dr Pigg is program director of International Postgraduate Studies in Dental Science at Malmö University and current president-elect of the neuroscience group of the International Association for Dental Research.

**Tara Renton** obtained her Master of Dental Science degree in oral surgery from the University of Melbourne (Melbourne, Australia) and her PhD in trigeminal nerve injuries from King's College London, England. She is currently a registered oral surgery specialist and professor in oral surgery at King's College London. Among other memberships of professional societies, she serves as the past president of the British Association of Oral Surgeons and as an elected board member of the Royal College of Surgeons. Dr Renton is the editor of 4 books, 24 book chapters, and more than 140 peer-reviewed publications. She frequently lectures internationally on a variety of topics, including orofacial pain and neuroscience, medical complexity and the aging population, third molar surgery, and patient safety.

