# CONSTITUTION OF THE JAPANESE ASSOCIATION FOR DENTAL RESEARCH

Chapter 1 Name

Article 1

This organization is named: Japanese Association for Dental Research (JADR), a division of the International Association for Dental Research (IADR), and is referred to hereafter as the Association.

Chapter 2 Objectives and Activities

Article 2

The Association has been established to promote researches in all aspects of oral and related sciences, to encourage developments of improved methods for prevention and treatment of oral and dental diseases, and to facilitate IADR activities, with the ultimate goal of contributing to the human welfare in all over the world.

Article 3

To realize the above objectives, the Association shall be engaged in the following activities:

1. Organizing scientific meetings

2. Issuing printed matters including newsletters and others

3. Promoting international research activities and information exchange with the IADR and related research institutions and academic societies in and out of Japan.

4. Other appropriate activities to achieve the above objectives.

Chapter 3 Membership

Article 4

Eligibility of members shall be as follows:

1. Individual membership. Any individual who wishes to participate in realizing the objectives of the JADR.

2. Student membership. Any foreign or Japanese student who is studying in a recognized academic institution in Japan and wishes to participate in or to make presentation in a scientific meeting of the Association. However, such eligibility is limited to the designated meeting.

3. Affiliate membership. Any individual who is not involved in craniofacial, oral or dental related research but has an interest in keeping up with the latest research, e.g., a practicing healthcare professional, a dental professional involved in PBRNs or evidence-based dentistry, patient advocates, or healthcare educators with primary teaching responsibility. Affiliate members receive limited benefits and are not eligible to vote or hold office in the Association.

4. Supporting membership. Any individual or group who/which appreciate the objectives of the Association and wishes to support its activities, when approved by the Board of Directors.

5. Honorary membership. Any individual who meets the qualification stipulated separately, and is recognized to have made a significant contribution to the Association. Recommendation for this membership by the Board of Directors shall be approved by the Council and the Annual Business Meeting (ABM) of members.

6. Life membership. Any individual who meets the qualification stipulated separately, and is recognized to have made a significant contribution to the Association. Recommendation for this membership by the Board of Directors shall be approved by the Council and the ABM.

7. Provisional membership. Any individual who is not enrolled in the Association but wishes to participate in or make presentation in a scientific meeting. However, such eligibility is limited to the designated meeting.

# Article 5

Any individual who wishes to become a member of the Association shall submit a fixed application form with application fee and the first annual dues to the office. Application must be supported with recommendation by two members. All IADR members who live in Japan shall be registered with the Association.

#### Article 6

Any member who wishes to withdraw from the Association shall submit a withdrawal form to the office.

# Article 7

Membership may be terminated for any of the following reasons:

- 1. Withdrawal
- 2. Death or disappearance
- 3. Expulsion

# Article 8

The President is entitled to expel a member from the Association on approval of the Board of Directors if the member falls under either of the following circumstances:

1. For non-payment of dues for two or more consecutive years despite proper notification issued by the office.

2. For non-compliance with the Association's Constitution, or for dishonorable conduct that is contrary to the spirit of the Association.

Article 9

Dues already paid to this Association shall not be refunded regardless of the reasons.

Chapter 4 Assets and Management Article 10 The assets of this Association consist of:

1. Dues

- 2. Incomes gained through Association activities
- 3. Donations
- 4. Other incomes

## Article 11

Expenditures necessary for the Association's activities shall be paid from the above assets.

Article 12

The Association's business schedule and budget necessary to execute its activities shall be examined and decided annually by the Board of Directors and be approved by the Council and the ABM.

Article 13

The settlements of accounts of the Association shall be examined by the auditor and decided annually by the Board of Directors and be approved by the Council and the ABM.

Article 14

The academic year and the fiscal year of the Association shall start from January 1 and end on December 31.

Chapter 5 Officials of the Association Article 15 The Officials of the Association shall consist of: President (1 person) Vice-president (1) Immediate Past President (1) Executive Director (1) Treasurer (1) Directors (about 10) Councilors (about 35) President-elect (1) Auditors (2)

## Article 16

The method of selecting President-elect, Vice-president, Executive Director, Treasurer and other Directors, Councilors and Auditors shall follow the rules stipulated separately.

## Article 17

1. The President shall represent and supervise the whole business of the Association.

2. The Vice-president shall support the President. In case the President is unable to execute his/her duties, the Vice-president shall take the chair.

#### Article 18

1. Directors shall form the Board of Directors, examine matters essential to administer the Association, and engage in related business on behalf of the Association.

2. The Treasurer shall supervise accounting business of the Association.

3. The Treasurer shall also prepare annual accounting report which, after inspection by the Auditors, is submitted to the Board of Directors, the Council, and the ABM.

#### Article 19

Councilors shall form the Council to make decisions on important matters concerning administration of the Association.

#### Article 20

1. The Auditors shall inspect conditions of assets of the Association and also audit the accounts.

2. The Auditors shall submit an audit report to the Council and the ABM.

### Article 21

1. Tenure of office of the President and Vice-president shall be two years.

2. Tenure of office of the Executive Director, Treasurer and Director shall be two years. Such an individual may hold office for a second term.

3. Tenure of office of the Councillor shall be two years. Such an individual may remain in office longer.

4. Tenure of the office of the Auditor shall be two years. Such an individual may remain in office longer.

# Article 22

1. Normally, the meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held at least five times in one year.

2. The meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held by the President, who will preside over the meeting. This meeting is valid when more than two-thirds of all the directors attend. Submission of a letter of attorney shall be counted as attendance. A decision of the board shall be valid by two-thirds majority of the attending members. The Board of Directors shall comprise President, President-elect, Vice-president, Executive Director, Treasurer, immediate past president, and Directors.

3. If the President agrees, any JADR member who is an official or a committee member of the IADR, and also the Chairperson of the next academic meeting may attend the meeting and represent their opinion.

# Article 23

1. The Council shall examine the matters committed by the President.

2. The Council is called by the President who presides over the meeting. Its decision shall be valid when more than half of the councilors attend the meeting. Resolutions shall be decided by simple majority, counting in those who submitted a letter of attorney beforehand.

Chapter 6 Annual Business Meeting(ABM) and Academic Meeting

Article 24

1. The ABM shall be held once a year. The President shall call and preside over it.

2. Matters stipulated below shall be reported to this annual meeting and shall obtain its approval.

1. Business Plans

2. Accounting report

- 3. Amendments to the Constitution and other rules
- 4. Election of officials
- 5. Affairs regarded as necessary by the Board of Directors or the Council.
- 3. Resolutions of this meeting shall be decided by simple majority.

Article 25

1. Academic meeting shall be held once a year.

2. The Chairman for the academic meeting shall be appointed by the President based on the approval of the Board of Directors.

3. The Chairman for the academic meeting shall supervise and manage the meeting on behalf of the President of the Association.

Chapter 7 Committees

Article 26

1. If necessary, committees can be established under the approval of the Board of Directors.

2. Committee members shall be appointed by the President. In any committee, at least one Director of the Association shall be involved as a member.

3. The Committee shall submit reports to the Board of Directors to inform its activities.

Chapter 8 Amendments

Article 27

This Constitution shall not be amended without the approval of the Board of Directors, the Council, and the ABM.

Chapter 9 Others Article 28 The office of the Association shall be established in the Academic Square Co., Ltd.

Article 29 Enrollment fee and annual fee shall be laid down by the regulation.

Article 30

Active members and Associate members shall pay their annual dues by March 31 every year.

Article 31 This Constitution shall be effective from December 12, 2013.