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**Conference attended:** Joint SRRDG/RD-UK/ECG conference, Location: Titanic Centre, Belfast, 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> October 2015

I attended the joint conference of the Specialist Registrars in Restorative Dentistry Group, Restorative Dentistry Consultants Group and European College of Gerodontology on the above date. I am currently working as a Clinical Research Fellow in Cork University Dental School and Hospital. I am still at the early stages of my research career and this was my first time attending this meeting.

The conference included internationally renowned speakers from many areas of restorative dentistry. My area of research interest is dental implants and I attended a workshop at the conference entitled “Digital Planning Strategies in Dentistry” to aid with my research. This workshop focused on the use of state-of-the-art technology and software to aid planning of restorative treatment, especially dental implants. It was a very informative session.

I also attended talks on implant dentistry, and a case discussion session which dealt mainly with complex treatment planning for implants in patients post-head and neck surgery. I took the opportunity to present a poster at this conference also. My poster presentation was entitled “An Audit of Periodontal Referrals to the Department of Restorative Dentistry, Cork University Dental School and Hospital”. I received very positive feedback on my poster from the reviewers and also some good advice on how to improve my presentation, which I will employ for future conferences.

Overall, attending this conference was a very positive experience, allowing me to network with other researchers from different institutions around Ireland and the UK, and to present some of my work at this early stage of my career.