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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings again from Iowa City!

We are well into summer here. The students at the University of Iowa are on summer break, including our dental students. This means we can get into restaurants and wander downtown with ease and maybe get a few extra things done in the office. It is also a time to slow down a bit and reflect on ways to improve for not only our students, but our patients as well.

This is also the second electronic format newsletter of the year. We will be back to paper with the final newsletter, which will have lots of specifics about our next annual meeting in February 2017.

However, prior to that, we will hope to see each other at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Periodontology in San Diego. Hopefully we will all experience some nice weather and some great seafood, while learning the latest tips and techniques. Congratulations are in order for several of our District 4 members in this year's AAP election! Dr. Stephan Meraw was re-elected as one of our district trustees along with new trustee Dr. Edward Segal. Dr. Peter Cabrera was elected to the Officer Nominating Committee. And last but not least, Dr. Bob Eber was elected one of the two American Board of Periodontology directors. Drs. Meraw, Cabrera and Eber are past presidents of our organization and I have no doubt that all of them will represent our best interests in their new positions. Congratulations again!

Don't forget to check out our new website for the Midwest Society of Periodontology at [www.msperio.org](http://www.msperio.org). Soon we will have photos and bios of our officers so you can get to know who is running the organization and learn a little bit about them. We will also be updating the website with information on our next meeting. In the meantime, be sure to save the date now on your calendars for next year's meeting! The 60th annual MSP meeting will be held February 24-26th, 2017. As a reminder, we will be learning from Dr. George Mandelaris and Dr. Brian Vence about Surgically Facilitated Orthodontic Therapy. On Sunday, we are planning to hear from Dr. Daniel Bobrow, MBA regarding the oral-systemic practice. Dr. Franzman and I are still ironing out the details of the Friday hands-on program.

We had such a great Graduate Student Research Forum last year, I wanted to pass on a reminder to our many program directors and their graduate students. We are planning to again have both the traditional oral competition as well as the newer poster competition. Abstracts will be due to Dr. Albert Chang by November 18th. I know this several months away but I hope that it can provide a timeline for your projects and allow a plan for submission.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and I hope to see many of you in San Diego!

Paula Weistroffer



## Congratulations !!

Stephen Meraw was re-elected as AAP District 4 Trustee, and Edward Segal was newly elected as AAP District 4 Trustee.

Peter Cabrera was elected to the AAP Officer Nominating Committee.

Robert Eber was elected as a Director to the American Board of Periodontology

## 2017 PROGRAM

### 60th MSP Annual Meeting

### February 24-26, 2017

RENAISSANCE HOTEL  
Chicago, IL

#### Friday

Additional fee and Limited Attendance  
To Be Determined

#### Saturday

DR. GEORGE MANDELARIS and DR. BRIAN VENCE  
Surgically Facilitated Orthodontic Therapy.

#### Sunday

MR. DANIEL BOBROW, MBA  
The Oral-Systemic Practice

## EVENTS TO ATTEND

### at the AAP Meeting in San Diego

#### District 4 Forum

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 FROM 12:45-2:15  
SAN DIEGO CONVENTION CENTER, UPPER LEVEL,  
ROOM 1B

The District Forum provides you an opportunity to have dialog with your trustees about initiatives that the Academy is planning, and to learn about issues that are being addressed by the Board of Trustees. An agenda of Forum topics will be posted on the AAP website, [perio.org](http://perio.org), prior to the Annual Meeting

#### Welcome Reception

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 FROM 5:00-6:00  
EXHIBIT HALL

#### Awards Ceremony

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 FROM 5:30-6:30 PM  
MARINA D, LEVEL 3, SOUTH TOWER, OF THE MARRIOTT  
MARQUIS MARINA

AAP Foundation scholarships and awards will be announced as well as all AAP Awards

#### General Assembly Business Meeting

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 2016 5:00 – 6:00 PM  
ROOM 6DE, UPPER LEVEL, OF THE SAN DIEGO  
CONVENTION CENTER

Voting members are encouraged to attend the General Assembly Business Session. This is the session which the Academy's budget for the coming year will be proposed, new and re-elected officers and trustees will be installed and outgoing officers and trustees will be recognized. AAP Foundation scholarships and awards will be announced.

# UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-KANSAS CITY

## Residents

Our senior residents, Drs. Patrick Driver and Cassandra McKenzie, are looking forward to graduating in December. Dr. Driver will be heading south to Arkansas as he takes over a practice in Little Rock. Dr. McKenzie will be completing her Master's thesis and hopes to practice in the local Kansas City area. We were also very excited to congratulate Dr. McKenzie and her husband as they welcomed a baby girl into their family this May!

Our second year residents, Drs. Kiran Arora and Jessica Scully are progressing nicely. Having just completed their anesthesia rotations at Truman Medical Center Lakewood, they are excited about implementing I.V. sedation into their practices and taking on larger and more complicated surgical cases. Dr. Scully also continues to work hard on her Master's thesis analyzing mandibular overdentures supported by mini-implants.

The UMKC Advanced Education in Periodontics program welcomed 3 new residents on July 1st. Dr. Elizabeth Baldwin, originally from Stilwell, Kansas, completed her undergraduate degree at the University of Tulsa and is a 2016 graduate of the UMKC School of Dentistry. Dr. Tanner Brock hails from Dodge City, Kansas. He completed his undergraduate education at the University of Kansas and is also a 2016 graduate of the UMKC School of Dentistry. Our third incoming resident, Dr. Rex Livingston, traveled north from Mississippi. He completed his undergraduate degree at Mississippi State University and his received his dental degree from the University of Mississippi. Apparently, he can't seem to get enough education coming straight out of a GPR program at the UMC School of Dentistry.

## Alumni news

Drs. Jonathan Thomas, Paul (Mike) Cady, and Amon (Trey) Holt have successfully challenged the certifying exam administered by the American Board of Periodontology to become a Diplomates! Congratulations!

## Faculty

The Department of Periodontics has undergone significant changes since last year. First and foremost, we were sad to see periodontics legends Drs. Charlie Cobb and John Rapley retire and know that their presence will be missed. We intend on giving them a few weeks of peace before we start recruiting them back to the clinic.

With the retirement of such great men, we have also experienced some outstanding additions and promotions within the department.

In March, we were lucky enough to recruit Dr. Rosemary Thomas from the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston. Rosemary graduated from the University of Texas – Houston periodontics residency in 2013 and immediately joined the teaching staff. We are grateful for her experience and perspective.

In June, former periodontics program director, Dr. Keerthana Satheesh, was promoted to Chair, taking over the responsibilities of the recently retired Dr. John Rapley. Her oversight, vision and determination have been key to maintaining continuity and excellence in our department and residency program.

Also in June, Dr. Scott Gruwell joined the faculty as the new program director for the periodontics residency. Dr. Gruwell comes to us most recently from private practice in South Burlington, Vermont. He graduated from the United States Air Force periodontics residency in 2007 and has experience teaching in two AEGD programs, as well as the periodontics residencies in the Air Force and at both University of Texas (Houston and San Antonio) periodontics residencies. Dr. Gruwell's prior experience has helped him hit the ground running. We are very happy to have him in our team.

## Research

Dr. Charlie Cobb co-authored 2 articles published in the Journal of the American Dental Association.

1. Christopher J. Smiley, Sharon L. Tracy, Elliot Abt, Bryan S. Michalowicz, Mike T. John, John Gunsolley, Charles M. Cobb, Jeffrey Rossmann, Stephen K. Harrel, Jane L. Forrest, Philippe P. Hujoel, Kirk W. Noraian, Henry Greenwell, Julie Frantsve-Hawley, Cameron Estrich, Nicholas Hanson Systematic review and meta-analysis on the nonsurgical treatment of chronic periodontitis by means of scaling and root planing with or without adjuncts. JADA, Volume 146, Issue 7, p508-524.

2. Christopher J. Smiley, Sharon L. Tracy, Elliot Abt, Bryan S. Michalowicz, Mike T. John, John Gunsolley, Charles M. Cobb, Jeffrey Rossmann, Stephen K. Harrel, Jane L. Forrest, Philippe P. Hujoel, Kirk W. Noraian, Henry Greenwell, Julie Frantsve-Hawley, Cameron Estrich, Nicholas Hanson Evidence-based clinical practice guideline on the nonsurgical treatment of chronic periodontitis by means of scaling and root planing with or without adjuncts. JADA, Volume 146, Issue 7, p525-535.

# CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

## Department News

The School of Dental Medicine has signed a collaboration agreement with two dental institutions overseas: Future University in Egypt and Qassim University in Saudi Arabia. The collaboration with Future University allows CWRU dental school faculty to visit and help modify the institution's dental curriculum. A six-year agreement that was signed with Qassim University is to train a select number of junior faculty, who will complete a clinical specialty training at the Dental School at CWRU.

Dr. L. Palomo's most recent activities include:

- o Board Member at the Health Legacy of Cleveland, a philanthropic organization aiming to bridge the gap in health care disparities through diversity and education (2016).
- o Chair of ADEA section on Periodontics (2015)
- o CODA Site Visitor for graduate periodontal residency programs (2015)
- o Chair AAP Predoctoral Program Directors Organization (2015)
- o Board Examiner for American Board of Periodontology (2015)
- Dr. Ricchetti will present the lecture "Osseous Surgery: Opportunities Missed" at the AAP Annual Meeting in San Diego this fall
- Dr. Ricchetti has been appointed Director of the Graduate Periodontal Clinic.
- Dr. Bissada will serve as Secretary for the Midwest Society of Periodontology

## Research Publications

- Palomo L, DeBaz C, Lang L. Prevent Peri-Implant Mucositis. *Decisions in Dentistry*. 2016; 2(1):12-16.
- Moussa, E, Bissada, N, Comparative Outcomes of Class III Miller Gingival Recession Treatment Utilizing the Tunnel or CAF Approaches. *A Case Report. Clinical Advances in Periodontics* (submitted for publication) 2016.
- Biswajit, D, Dobrowolski, C, Abdel-Malek, S, Feng, Z, Yu, X, Sha, J, Bissada, N, Weinberg, A., Karn, J, Ye, F. Short Chain Fatty Acids Potently Induce Latent HIV-1 in T-cells by Activating P-TEFb and Multiple Histone Modifications. *Virology* 474 (2015) 65-81.
- Leybovich, M, Bissada, N, Teich, S, Demko, C, Ricchetti, P.: Non-Carious Cervical Lesions Treated by Tissue Graft or Composite Restoration. *Int. J. Periodontics and Restorative Dent.* 34 (5) 649-645.
- DeBaz C, Lang L, Palomo L. An individualized approach to peri-mucositis prevention. *Dimensions of Dental Hygiene*. 2015;13(10):30-34.
- Zhang CZ, DeBaz C, Bhandal G, Ali F, Buenocamino Francisco MC, Thacker H, Palomo JM., Palomo L. Buccal bone thickness in the esthetic zone of postmenopausal women: A CBCT analysis. *Implant Dent.* Mar 2016 In press.
- AbdelAzeem, H., Bissada, N., Demko, C., Paes, A., Lang, L: Comparison of Pre-Prosthetic Implant Complications and Failures Between Obese and Non-Obese Patients. *Int J Oral and Maxillofac Implants.* (accepted for publication) 2016.
- Estemalik, J., Bissada, N., Nishant, J., Demko, C., Bodner, D., Shankar, E., Gupta, S., Presence of Similar Oral Pathogens in Dental Plaque of Patients with Periodontal and Prostate Diseases. *J Periodontol.* (submitted for publication) 2016.

## Abstracts

Abdel Malek, S., Bissada, N., Weinberg, A., Ye, F.: Effect of Periodontal Disease on Kaposi's Sarcoma Virus Replication. *J. Dent. Res. Abst* #186887,2015.

Estemalik, J., Bissada, N., Joshi, N., Demko, C., Shankar, E., Bodner, D., Gupta, S.: Possible link between periodontal disease and chronic prostatitis. *Journal of Urology. Abst*#16-1334,2016.

## Incoming Graduate Students

Dr. Khawla Aljohani earned a BDS degree in 2013 from Saudi Arabia. She completed a one-year internship in Jeddah. Her current research focuses on the relationship between periodontal and systemic diseases. Khawla believes that "periodontics is the foundation of dentistry and my passion has always been firmly planted in it."

Dr. Hussam Alqahtani earned a BDS degree in 2012 from King Saud University in Saudi Arabia. After completing a one-year GPR program, he completed a one-year fellowship in dentistry in 2015 at Case Western Reserve University. Currently, Hussam is working on his research project regarding dental implants.

Dr. Shabnam Behdin earned a DDS degree from the University of Science and Technology in United Arab Emirates. Dr. Behdin also completed a one year fellowship in the Department of Periodontics at the University of Michigan.

Dr. Saad Usmani earned a BDS degree in 2012 from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. He also had a fellowship in the Department of Periodontics at Case Western Reserve University. Saad speaks of his time at Case Western Reserve University, "this fellowship changed the perception I had about periodontics as it was sparsely taught specialty in [my home country] and I am excited to learn from the best during my time at CWRU".

Dr. Asma Almjilad (Fellow) earned a BDS degree from Riyadh College of Dentistry with a grade point average of 4.73 out of 5, second in her class. She completed a one year internship from 2012-2013. She was an instructor at Alqassim University. Asma speaks of her time at Case Western Reserve University as "this is a very wonderful program. Dr. Bissada is a professional and role model and I learned a lot from him."

## Outgoing Graduate Students

Dr. Ehab Moussa will join L.S.U. for a one-year fellowship in prosthodontics. Ehab's master thesis is on "Does a History of Chronic Periodontitis in fully Edentulous Patients Represent a Risk Factor for Peri-implantitis?"

Dr. Ann Marie Adornato will be moving to Syracuse, New York for private practice. Ann's master thesis is on the "Difference between cigarette and electronic cigarette smoking on inflammatory cytokines and oral epithelial cells."

Dr. Gazabpreet Bhandal plans to settle in Virginia for private practice. Gazab explains, "The experience at CWRU has been a unique one where I got the opportunity to learn the art and science of periodontics under mentorship of some of the best clinicians and academicians of the country." Gazab's master thesis is on "Kidney Stones and Dental Calculus: Are They Correlated?"

Dr. Ernest Erian's plan is to start a private practice in Cleveland, OH. His master thesis is on "Evidence of an Association between Thyroid Disorders and Periodontitis in Women."

## CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

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## Median Attention

CWRU researchers discover byproducts from bacteria in gum disease can awaken dormant T-cells and HIV viruses. Retrieved from <http://sciencenewslines.com/summary/2015010522400023.html>, as well as several other media sources. Research findings are described in the article "Short chain fatty acids potentially induce latent HIV-1 in T-cells by activating P-TEFb and multiple histone modifications," published January 1, 2015 in the journal *Virology* (Das B, et al. *Virology*. 2015 Jan 1;474:65-81. doi: 10.1016/j.virol.2014.10.033. Epub 2014 Nov 14).

• Leybovich, M, Bissada, N, Teich, S, Demko, C, Ricchetti, P.: Non-Carious Cervical Lesio

## UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

This has been a busy year at Iowa City!

Dr. Lewis Humbert stepped down as graduate program director on July 1st, 2016. Thank you Lew for your excellent service and leadership over the past 10 years as a program director!

Dr. Gustavo Avila-Ortiz, Associate Professor in the Department of Periodontology and who joined the University of Iowa in 2011 after a 5-year period at the University of Michigan, first as a resident and from 2009 as a faculty member, has been appointed as the new graduate program director.

At the end of June, we welcomed our new Class of 2019 residents, Dr. Joseph Ballatore (DDS '16 University of Connecticut) and Dr. Nicholas Salava (DDS '16 A.T. Still). We look forward to seeing the contributions of Joseph and Nicholas to our specialty.

In August, Dr. Leandro Chambrone, a periodontist from Brazil and a world renowned expert on mucogingival surgery and evidence-based dentistry, became Visiting Professor of the UI Department of Periodontics. His next visit to the College of Dentistry is scheduled from August 15th to August 19th. During this period he will lecture to the residents and faculty in the Department of Periodontics and, also, will actively participate in ongoing scholarly activities. This will be a real treat for our students and faculty members!

In September, a new faculty member, Dr. Theo Katsaros, will join the Department of Periodontics. Dr. Katsaros is originally from Greece and he recently graduated from the specialty program at LSU in New Orleans. We are looking forward to welcome Theo!

In June 2016, both Dr. Vrushali Abhyankar and Dr. Christopher Hutton, third year residents in the Department of Periodontics, successfully defended their MS Theses. The title of Dr. Abhyankar's thesis was "The Chemokine and Cytokine Response of a Keratinocyte, Dendritic Cell, and T-cell Co-culture Model Treated with Porphyromonas gingivalis Hemagglutinin B". Her mentor is Dr. Kim Brogden. Dr. Hutton's thesis title was "Comparison of Two Different Surgical Approaches to Increase Peri-implant Mucosa Thickness: A Randomized Controlled Clinical Trial". His mentor is Dr. Gustavo Avila-Ortiz.

Dr. Gustavo Avila-Ortiz received a \$107,000 grant from Sunstar Americas (Schaumburg, IL, USA) to conduct a study entitled "Prospective, Comparative Assessment of Alveolar Ridge Preservation Using Guidor Easy-Graft® Classic: A Randomized Clinical Trial". The primary objective of this study is to investigate linear and volumetric osseous changes at 4 months following the application of two different alveolar ridge preservation strategies via cone beam computed tomography (CBCT) analyses. Dr. Kelsey Tengan, a second year resident in the Department of Periodontics, is the main co-investigator, and this project will be done in conjunction with his Master of Science degree in Oral Sciences. Other co-investigators include Dr. Georgia Johnson, DEO, Department of Periodontics; Dr. Veeratrishul Allareddy, Department of Oral Pathology, Radiology and Medicine; Dr. Chris Barwacz, Dows Institute for Research. This is a multicenter study in conjunction with the University of Maryland School of Dentistry, and it is currently ongoing and actively recruiting patients.

The 63rd Annual meeting of the Iowa Section of the American Association for Dental Research (AADR) was held February 16, 2016, at the UI College of Dentistry. Congratulations to all those who received awards. Dr. Christina Nicholas, postdoctoral research fellow, was presented with the first place DENTSPLY Implants Oral Presentation Graduate Specialty Competition Award. The title of Dr. Nicholas' presentation was 'Bone and soft tissue volumetric calculations following alveolar ridge preservation are non-correspondent' and her mentor is Dr. Gustavo Avila-Ortiz.

Dr. Gustavo Avila-Ortiz, Department of Periodontics, participated in the International Osteology Symposium, held in Monaco from April 21st – 23rd. This scientific meeting was attended by over 2,500 dental professionals from all around the world. One of the highlights of this event was the official launch of 'The Box', which is the representation in the internet of the Osteology Foundation Global Community. Dr. Avila-Ortiz had the privilege to be selected as one of the six members of an international team that collaboratively worked on the creation and development of The Box.

## UNIVERSITY OF IOWA CONTINUED

The Box is a platform that contains a plethora of tools and functions designed to enable practitioners, researchers and educators to connect, share information and learn all together. Registering and using The Box is free of charge. For more information and to register, click here: <http://box.osteology.org/>

Dr. Kim Brogden, Director of the Dows Institute and Professor in the Department of Periodontics, obtained research support by an NIH grant and also a grant from Cellworks Group, Inc (CA, USA). Dr. Brogden's research focus is on Immunology and Microbiology.

Dr. Georgia Johnson served as an examiner for the American Board of Periodontology examination held in May 2016 in Dallas, TX.

Dr. Gustavo Avila-Ortiz, Department of Periodontics, participated as one of the keynote speakers in the 12th International Symposium in Periodontics and Restorative Dentistry (ISPRD), held in Boston from June 15th through the 19th. The title of Dr. Avila-Ortiz's presentation was 'Management of the Extraction Site: Contemporary Evidence and Therapeutic Reflections'. This prestigious meeting, which is organized by Quintessence Publishing in collaboration with Drs. Myron and Marc Nevins, is held every 3 years and congregates a number of experts in the fields of Periodontology, Prosthodontics and Restorative Sciences and Oral Implantology.

## MAYO CLINIC

The postgraduate program successfully completed a CODA site visit in May. Seems like the site visits get closer together and more labor intensive. The third and final site visit was completed for this program director. While beneficial, much time and work as we all know is involved preparing.

Dr. Lauren Syrowik completed the program in June and will be practicing in her home town area in Michigan. Lauren did herself proud and developed into an excellent clinician. She completed her research project and received a Master's degree. Lauren completed the first clinical human use project in the department in many years. After months of documentation with the IRB committee the project was approved utilizing a collagen substitute for soft tissue grafting. Her project has resulted in a follow on project utilizing the same material as a substitute for connective tissue grafting.

Dr. Naud has started the second human use project utilizing this same material. Dr. Naud has assumed the title of Chief Resident. One of the hardest working residents this program director has had the pleasure of working with, he continues to elevate the bar.

At the end of June, we celebrated the graduation of one of our third year residents, Dr. Christopher Hutton, at a party hosted by the Dr. Georgia Johnson, Head of the Department of Periodontics, and her husband Bill. Chris will make great contributions to the community he is going to practice at in the Milwaukee area. Congratulations Chris!

Miguel Romero-Bustillos, who participated as a visiting scholar in the second periodontics postdoctoral continuing education program 2014-2015, has completed his first year as a PhD Student in Oral Sciences. Miguel is enrolled in a dual Periodontics/PhD program and his primary mentor is Dr. Brad Amendt, Professor and Associate Dean for Research at the UI College of Dentistry.

Dr. Zuly Arencibia started the program in June and is ready to follow in the footsteps of Drs. Syrowik and Naud. She has been a pleasant addition to the program. Zuly was born in Havana, Cuba and grew up in south Florida, receiving a DMD

from the University of Puerto Rico School of Dental Medicine. Subsequently she completed a two year Advanced Education in General Dentistry Program at NYU. Her hobbies include enjoying the outdoors, performing arts, and dancing. We welcome her to Mayo Clinic.

The Department also welcomed a resident in orthodontics, and the first fellow in maxillofacial prosthetics. Notably, Dr. Paul Meyer started the orthodontic residency following in the footsteps of his father who completed the orthodontic residency program at Mayo. The prosthodontic division separated the four year combined prosthodontic and maxillofacial prosthetic residency into a three year prosthodontic residency and one year maxillofacial prosthetic fellowship. Presently two residents are enrolled as the final two residents in the combined four year program. Dr. Liv Muller is the first fellow in the newly separated one year Maxillofacial Prosthetic Fellowship. Dr. Salinas maintained the job as program director of the prosthodontic residency and Dr. Kelly assumed the program director's job of the one year maxillofacial prosthetic fellowship.

## MAYO CLINIC CONTINUED

The Orthodontic Division is busy reviewing applicants for a Consultant position. Once a Consultant is hired the master plan will be to assume the Program Director's job in 3-4 years.

The graduate program is fortunate to have a close working relationship with both the Prosthodontic and Orthodontic programs. We learn from each other, and the residents gain invaluable clinical experience as a result of the close working relationship. This relationship is particularly important given requirements of the periodontal residents to provide provisional restorations for dental implants.

As everyone is aware, Dr. Phil Sheridan retired on 31 December but remains active spending clinical time at the Good Samaritan Clinic in Rochester. The legend continues as he has already been the mentor to newly graduated dentists also working at the Good Sam Clinic.

Like all of the programs we are in the interview cycle this summer. While the number of applicants is reduced from previous years, the quality of the applicants is superior. The program will select a resident this year to start the program in June 2017.

## OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

At The Ohio State University (OSU) Graduate Program, we celebrated in early June the graduation of the class of 2016. All four of our residents successfully completed their clinical training, defended their MS thesis, and received their certificate. Dr. Khaled Altabtbaei will remain at OSU, where he is pursuing a PhD degree at the College of Dentistry. Dr. Monica Prasad Gibson has moved to Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, to pursue her academic career; she has been appointed as a tenure-track Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry of the University of Alberta. Dr. Brian Roy has moved to Toledo, Ohio, where he has started pursuing private practice; he recently purchased a solo practice. Dr. Lamees Alssum, our 2015-2016 Chief Resident, returned to her native Riyadh (Saudi Arabia), to continue her academic career as Assistant Professor in the Department of Periodontics of King Saud University. All of us here at OSU are truly proud of the accomplishments of these four young colleagues and we wish them the best in their future pursuits. Congratulations to the class of 2016!

In late June we welcomed the newest members of our Buckeye Periodontal family, the class of 2019: Dr. Chris Brett, who is a Pennsylvania native and a 2016 graduate of the Columbia University College of Dental Medicine (New York, NY); Dr. Anuja Doshi, a Mumbai native and a 2014 graduate of the Government Dental College in her hometown, at Maharashtra University of Health Sciences (Mumbai, India); Dr. Najla Kasabreh, who is a 2012 graduate of the Faculty of Dentistry, University of Jordan, in her native Amman (Jordan); Dr. Elizabeth Nesmith, a Michigan native and a 2016 graduate of the Midwestern University School of Dental Medicine (Glendale, AZ); and Dr. Wichurat Sakulpap-tong, a native of Bangkok and a 2013 graduate of the Faculty of Dentistry, Mahidol University (Bangkok, Thailand).

Notable achievements by alumni and current residents during the last year include: Drs. Pin-Chuang "Patrick" Lai ('15), Chris Ludden ('15), Dimitrios Malamis ('15), and Nicolas Robitaille ('15), attained ABP Diplomate status this past May. In February of this year, Dr. Sukirth Ganesan ('18) was selected to present his research at the Midwest Society of Periodontology Graduate Research Forum, where he received an Honorable Mention. Congratulations for the successes!

Recent graduates, and faculty mentors, have been actively pursuing publication of their research. Below is a selective list of recent articles from OSU, published in the last 12 months:

- Dabdoub SM, Fellows ML, Paropkari AD, Mason MR, Huja SS, Tsigarida AA, Kumar PS. PhyloToAST: Bioinformatics tools for species-level analysis and visualization of complex microbial datasets. *Sci Rep* 2016;6:29123. PubMed PMID:27357721
- Delima SL, Kumar PS, Tatakis DN. Bacterial community shifts during healing of palatal wounds: comparison of two graft harvesting approaches. *J Clin Periodontol* 2016;43(3):271-8. PubMed PMID:26661520.
- Leblebicioglu B, Hegde R, Yildiz VO, Tatakis DN. Immediate effects of tooth extraction on ridge integrity and dimensions. *Clin Oral Investig* 2015;19(8):1777-84. PubMed PMID:25567485.
- Robitaille N, Reed DN, Walters JD, Kumar PS. Periodontal and peri-implant diseases: identical or fraternal infections? *Mol Oral Microbiol* 2016;31(4):285-301. PubMed PMID:26255984.
- Rotenberg SA, Steiner R, Tatakis DN. Collagen-coated bovine bone in peri-implantitis defects: A pilot study on a novel approach. *Int J Oral Maxillofac Implants* 2016;31(3):701-7. PMID:27183078.
- Tsigarida AA, Dabdoub SM, Nagaraja HN, Kumar PS. The influence of smoking on the peri-implant microbiome. *J Dent Res* 2015;94(9):1202-17. PubMed PMID: 26124222.

Residents and faculty enjoyed presentations from guest lecturers, including our Adjunct Faculty: Dr. Andreas Parashis (Tufts University), Dr. Andrea Pilloni (La Sapienza University, Rome, Italy), and Dr. Paul (Pao-Young) Lin (OSU '91). Also giving guest presentations were two faculty colleagues from Taipei University, Dr. Wen-Fu Lai and Dr. Win-Ping Deng. We look forward to seeing all OSU alumni and friends at our annual Buckeye Reception, which will be held at 6:30 pm on Monday, September 12, 2016, during the upcoming AAP annual meeting in San Diego, CA. The reception will be held at the Torrey Pines 3 room of the Marriott Marquis San Diego Marina (Headquarters Hotel), located at 333 West Harbor Drive. We hope all of you will be there to join us.

# INDIANA UNIVERSITY

## Graduate Class of 2015

We have recently bid farewell to three graduating students: Drs. Santiago Ocampo, Tsuyoshi Tanaka and Archana Venkataraman. Dr. Tanaka is presently enrolled in a 1-year AEGD program at Boston University to become more familiar with prosthodontics before his planned return to join his father's practice in Japan. Drs. Ocampo and Venkataraman hope to split their time between academic and private practice pursuits after finishing their MSD research projects. We wish all of our graduates the best in their future endeavors and look forward to future successful achievement of ABP Diplomate status.

Dr. Tsuyoshi Tanaka successfully defended his research projects in late June, submitted a manuscript for publication and was awarded his MSD degree. Drs. Santiago Ocampo and Archana Venkataraman are still working on completing their MSD research projects. Dr. Tanaka's research project assessed the effects of a green tea catechin extract on *F. nucleatum* metabolism and biofilm formation. Dr. Venkataraman is investigating CBCT changes in alveolar ridge dimensions following extractions as part of a clinical study that was previously initiated by Dr. Duane Bennett (2011) and subsequently completed by Dr. Rana Shahi (2015).

## Incoming Graduate Students

We now have four new graduate students who joined the program in July. Dr. Ahmed Ibraheem is a 2010 graduate of Misr University in Egypt and recently completed a periodontal observership at Ohio State University. Dr. Apoorv Goel is a 2008 graduate of Sri Govind Tricentenary Dental College in India and recently completed a master's program in Oral Biology at the University of Louisville School of Dentistry. Dr. Yu-Ting Yeh is a 2013 graduate of Tapei Medical University in Taiwan and Dr. Justin Villanueva is a 2016 graduate of Midwestern University and a decorated Iraq War veteran. We are excited about them joining the program in light of their diverse training and backgrounds.

## Student Awards

The recipient of the Henry M. Swensen Award for Clinical and Didactic Excellence in Graduate Periodontics for 2015-2016 was third year resident, Dr. Tsuyoshi Tanaka and second year resident, Dr. Allison Marlow. Dr. Tanaka was also selected as the second recipient of the E.B Hancock Resident Award by his fellow residents as demonstrating the highest values of professionalism. Dr. Krithika Rajkumar (2015) was a finalist in the 2016 Midwest Society of Periodontology Graduate Student Research Poster Forum for her research on peptidoglycan recognition proteins mRNA expression in placental trophoblasts. We are extremely proud of these individuals for their awards as a testament to the quality of their research endeavors.

## ABP Results

Drs. Bindu Dukka, Yusuke Hamada, Krithika Rajkumar, and Rana Shahi, all 2015 graduates, successfully passed both the ABP Qualifying (Written) Examination given last August as well as the ABP Oral Examination in May 2016 and are our newest Diplomates of the American Board of Periodontology. Congratulations to Bindu, Yusuke, Krithika, and Rana for their truly

outstanding efforts in preparation to successfully challenge this examination.

## Faculty News

Dr. Elizabeth Ramos was elected to serve on the Board of Directors for the American Association of Women Dentists and serves as the AAWD Director of Public Relations. She recently had two articles published related to women in dentistry in the ADA News and Dentaltown. Dr. Ramos was also recently awarded an Indiana University School of Dentistry 2016 Trustees Teaching Award 2016, the 2016 AAP Educator Award in recognition of Outstanding Teaching and Mentoring in Periodontics, and was selected as the IUPUI Outstanding Woman Faculty Leader for 2016. Dr. Yusuke Hamada was selected as a recipient for the Osteology Educational Grant to attend the Osteology Research Academy as well as a recipient of the 2016 AAP Annual Meeting Scholarship, sponsored by Straumann. Additionally, Dr. Hamada selected to attend the AAL/ADEA Institute for Teaching and Learning in Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Carol Walters was named a winner of the 2016 IUPUI Prestigious External Award Recognition (PEAR) recipient for the School of Dentistry. Dr. Dan Shin was recognized and honored for his exemplary teaching by the class of senior dental students and was selected to will serve (again) as a 'hooder' for the dental students at their May graduation ceremony. Dr. Vanchit John is the immediate Past-President of the American Academy of Periodontology Foundation and Dr. Steve Blanchard was awarded an Indiana University School of Dentistry 2016 Trustees Teaching Award 2016 and continues to serve as an Examiner for the American Board of Periodontology Oral Examination.

Finally, it was with much sadness that we said our final good-byes to Dr. Jonathon Gray who died in December after a lengthy illness. Dr. Gray was a full-time faculty member in the department for four years and returned as a part-time faculty member for almost ten years. He played a vital role in the education of many periodontists from IUSD, the University of Florida, and the U.S. Navy.

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We wish all District IV graduate programs a successful upcoming year and look forward to seeing you in San Diego in September and at the Midwest Society of Periodontology Annual Meeting in February 2017.

## UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT (MERCY)

### Departmental News

- We had a productive year at the University of Detroit Mercy successfully hiring new faculty and graduating our 10th cohort of residents (Class of 2016).
- New appointments in the Department of Periodontology and Dental Hygiene:
  - Dr. Zheng Zhou – Clinical Associate Professor
  - Dr. Hussain Arbab – Clinical Assistant Professor
  - Dr. Yung-Ting Hsu – Clinical Assistant Professor
  - Dr. Ana Janic, (Class of 2011) - Clinical Assistant Professor

### Graduate Class of 2016

At UDM Graduate Program, we celebrated the graduation of class of 2016 in June. Dr. Hana Gadalla (Chief Resident) will be joining UDM as an Adjunct Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Periodontology. She also plans to work in private practice as a part-time associate in Dearborn, Michigan. Dr. Fatima Tiwana will be practicing as a full time associate in Morgantown, West Virginia in periodontal office. Dr. Deena Zimmerman will be working full time in a periodontal practice in Michigan.

All three residents successfully completed their Certificates in Advanced Graduate Studies in Periodontics and earned their Masters of Science degrees. Congratulations to our 2016 graduates on their achievements. We wish them all the best in their endeavors and look forward to their future successful success in becoming AAP Diplomates.

### Incoming Graduate Residents

We recently welcomed our new first year residents into the Graduate Periodontics family, the class of 2019: Dr. Shahrdad Kazerani earned an A.S. and B.S. degree in California before completing a 5 year D.M.D. program at Semmelweis University in Budapest, Hungary. After graduation, he moved back to the U.S. before his acceptance into the UDM Graduate Periodontics Program.

Dr. Osama Korkis earned his D.D.S from Damascus University in Syria. He then completed a graduate periodontics program at Health Ministry, Damascus in Syria. He then moved to Los Angeles before being accepted into the UDM Graduate Periodontics Program.

Dr. Bhupesh Mandali earned his D.D.S from India. Following graduation, he completed an AEGD resident in Columbia University, New York. He then practiced as a general dentist in Virginia until his acceptance into the UDM Graduate Periodontics Program.

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## UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT (MERCY) CONTINUED

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Hope K, Lamble M, Ambrosio F, Shah M, Neely A, Kinaia B. Soft Tissue Changes Around Immediately Placed Implants: Meta-Analyses with a least 12 Months Follow Up After Functional Loading. Presented at the 11th Annual Ramfjord Symposium on June 2nd, 2016.

Gadalla H, Pham C, Naqvi K, Haddow M, Shah M, Neely A, Kinaia B. Efficacy of rhBMP-2 in Alveolar Ridge Augmentation, Ridge Preservation and Sinus Lift Procedures: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analyses. Presented at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry Alumni Day on April 29th, 2016.

Thompson-Sloan T, Neely A, Burla V. To Crown Lengthen or Not, The Reasons Why and the Factors Considered. Presented at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry Alumni Day on April 29th, 2016.

Gadalla H, Twinana H, Kinaia B, Neely A. Split Ridge & Bone Expansion Osteotomy For Dental Implant Placement In Esthetic Zone. Case Report. 1st place poster at the Michigan Periodontal Association meeting on January 30th, 2016 (Outstanding Hard Tissue Graft Case).

Ambrosio F, Kapour N. Lip Repositioning: An 8 month and 6 week follow-up of identical twins. 1st place poster at the Michigan Periodontal Association meeting on January 30th, 2016 (Outstanding Soft Tissue Graft / Esthetics Case (tie)).

We all wish the district IV graduate programs a successful year ahead.

## UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO

The Department of Periodontics at The University of Illinois at Chicago is proud to recognize graduates of the Class of 2016 and wish them all the best: Dr. Samia Sulieman, who relocated to Champaign, IL to begin private practice, Dr. Ankur Patel, private practice, Chicago, IL, Dr. Jennifer Shango, private practice, Gurnee, IL, and Dr. Scott Drucker, Co-founder and President of <http://www.SupplyClinic.com>, Chicago, IL. Kudos to Dr. Sulieman in her selection as a finalist in this year's AAP Balint Orban Memorial Program (Orban Competition) in San Diego.

We now wish to welcome 5 outstanding individuals who have joined our residency program: Dr. Elizabeth Kaminsky (University of Connecticut), Dr. Hader Aljewari, (University of Illinois at Chicago), Dr. Christopher Traxler (University of California, San Francisco), Dr. Jessica Finkelsztein (Boston University), and Dr. Reihanah Ghoreishi (University of Illinois at Chicago). The Faculty and Staff look forward to helping them achieve their highest potential.

A hardy congratulation to our former residents who became new Diplomates in 2016: Dr. Andrew Carmosino, Dr. Panagiotis Dragonas, and Dr. Rebecca Kibler, all from the Class of 2015, Dr. Kate Quinlin, Class of 2014. Way to go!

We would like to thank Dr. Praveen Gajendrareddy for his 3 years of service as Program Director. Dr. Gajendrareddy has decided steps down as Program Director to focus on his research. Fortunately, students and residents will continue to benefit from his outstanding teaching and research abilities at UIC. In his place, Dr. Salvador Nares has assumed the role as Program Director while Dr. Dwayne Karateew was appointed Coordinator of the Periodontics Postgraduate Program.

This year, the department published 37 peer-reviewed articles, several of which were authored/co-authored by our residents. We are pleased to announce that Dr. Nares is one of three recipients of the R. Earl Robinson Periodontal Regeneration Award. Congrats Dr. Nares. Finally, the Department of Periodontics would like to welcome Dr. Aniruddh (Rudy) Narvekar, Clinical Assistant Professor. Dr. Narvekar earned his B.D.S. from Dr. D.Y. Patil Dental University and Hospital in Mumbai, India and is a graduate of the Periodontics and Periodontal prosthesis (Fixed Prosthodontics) program at the University of Pennsylvania, School of Dental Medicine. Welcome Rudy!

# UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

## Program News

This has been a bittersweet summer for our advanced education program, as we saw three of our residents graduate this summer; we also bid a fond farewell and happy retirement to the Director of the Advanced Education Program in Periodontology – Dr. James E. Hinrichs. Dr. Hinrichs joined the faculty of the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry in 1980 as an Assistant Professor and was promoted to full Professor in 2005. In 1987, Dr. Hinrichs was appointed Director of the Advanced Education Program in Periodontology and has since nurtured the program into becoming the internationally recognized, postgraduate program that it is today. Dr. Hinrichs leaves behind a rich legacy of research, teaching, and mentorship and his consistent contributions to the program have been invaluable to the School of Dentistry.

Dr. Massimo Costalonga has accepted directorship of the residency program. Dr. Costalonga has been a faculty member with the Division of Periodontology for a number of years and is also a graduate of our program. He has worked closely with our residents providing instruction and serving as advisor on research projects. We welcome Dr. Costalonga in his new role and look forward to another successful year!

## Graduate Class of 2016

We recently celebrated the graduation of three of our residents from the Advanced Education Program in Periodontology: Drs. Andreas Ioannou, Michelle McHale, and Thomas T. Nguyen. Dr. Nguyen successfully completed the program and was awarded his specialty certificate in Periodontics. He is currently in Montreal at Université de Montréal as an Assistant Professor of Periodontics. Dr. Ioannou and Dr. McHale successfully defended their thesis projects and will be awarded the MS in Dentistry degree, along with their specialty certificate in Periodontics. Dr. Ioannou is now an Assistant Professor of Periodontics at The University of Texas Health Science Center – Houston. Dr. McHale is currently in private practice in Kansas City, MO.

## Incoming Graduate Students, Class of 2019

In May of this year, we welcomed three new graduate students to the program:

Daniel Jabs, DDS, obtained his dental degree from the University of Minnesota. Dan has previous research experience with Dr. Wook-Jin Seong in dental implantology. In 2016, he received the AAP Outstanding Achievement in Periodontics award and the AAPHD Achievement in Community Dentistry & Dental Public Health. Dr. Jabs enjoys the Minnesota outdoors and intends to go into private practice in the Twin Cities after completing his residency.

David Paulson, DDS, obtained both his bachelor's degree in Biomedical Sciences and his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from Marquette University. Dr. Paulson was the recipient of the 2016 AAP Dental Student Award for Achievement in Periodontology at Marquette University. His mentors that encouraged him to pursue periodontics were Dr. Paul Luepke, Director of Advanced Education in Periodontics at Marquette, and Dr. Jason Johnson, former University of Minnesota periodontology resident. Upon graduation from residency, he plans to enter private practice in Minnesota or Wisconsin. Dr. Paulson is an avid Marquette basketball fan and enjoys the outdoors.

Alon Shalev, DMD, MHA, is a graduate of Lithuanian University of Health Sciences and Ben-Gurion University of Israel. After practicing for 10 years in his home country Israel, Dr. Shalev was inspired to apply to the program by former resident Dr. Christos Diamantopoulos. Dr. Shalev served as an advisor for 3M ESPE. His practice focused on a combination of orthodontics and ceramic restorations in the esthetic zone. He is thrilled for his upcoming surgical training in his residency in periodontology. Dr. Shalev is a former Greco-Roman wrestler and is a keen fan of the sport.

## Graduate Class of 2018

Georgios Chatzopoulos, DDS, comes to us from Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece. Dr. Chatzopoulos was encouraged to apply by former resident Dr. Leo Batas (class of 2005) and current resident Dr. Vasiliki Koidou (class of 2017). George also completed an externship with our program in 2014, which inspired him to become a resident of the program and focus on both clinical practice and research in periodontology. Dr. Chatzopoulos will attend the upcoming annual AAP conference and present two posters.

Janelle Hamilton, DMD, obtained her dental degree from the University of Montreal and was inspired to seek a career in Periodontics from Dr. Robert Durand, graduate of class 2006. Prior to her residency, Dr. Hamilton was in private practice in Ontario. Janelle enjoys skiing and was on her high school basketball team.

Caitlin Hemmerich, DDS, graduated from the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry before enrolling in the General Practice Residency at Hennepin County Medical Center. Caitlin is a concert violinist and enjoys biking in her spare time.

## Graduate Class of 2017

Elias Kersten, DDS, obtained his dental degree from the University of Minnesota. Elias has previous research experience with Dr. Don Nixdorf in TMD. In 2014, Elias won the Minnesota Association of Periodontology award. Dr. Kersten intends to go into private practice in the Twin Cities after completing his residency.

Vasiliki "Villy" Koidou, DDS, is a graduate of the University of Thessaloniki in Greece. Dr. Koidou was encouraged to apply to our program by Dr. Leo Batas (class of 2005). Dr. Koidou is currently working on her research project under the mentorship of Dr. Conrado Aparicio. This past May, Dr. Koidou was awarded the Gerondelis Foundation scholarship. Dr. Koidou's father is the chairman of the Prosthodontic department at the University of Thessaloniki. Dr. Koidou intends to complete a PhD in Oral Biology and return to Greece for an academic career at the University of Thessaloniki.

Tamir Shalev, DMD, completed his dental degree from the Lithuanian University of Health Sciences where he later successfully graduated from a three year periodontal residency program. Dr. Shalev's research focuses on dental implant placement in the diabetic patient. Upon graduation, Dr. Shalev is interested in pursuing an academic career in which he could focus on clinical research.

# MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

## Program News

We were proud to start our first class of residents on June 1, 2016. We have a newly constructed periodontal clinic, new staff, and a well-rounded faculty to provide what we hope will be a great post-graduate periodontal experience.

### Residents Class of 2019:

Dr. Laxmi Sukhtankar- graduated from Dr. D.Y.Patil (DYP) Dental College Deemed University, Pune, India, 2011 with a Masters of Dental Surgery (MDS-Periodontology and Oral Implantology, BDS – Bharati Dental College Deemed University, Pune, India, an Assistant professor, Periodontology- Karad, India Krishna Dental School.

Dr. Keerthi Kamreddy- graduated with a BDS from Mamata Dental College, Khammam, India, 2011

### Faculty:

Dr. Paul Luepke, Chair and Director, received his DDS from the University of Illinois at Chicago in 1987, He received his periodontal training (Certificate and Masters) from the University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio in 1996. Dr. Luepke is a Diplomate and board examiner of the American Board of Periodontology.

Dr. Andrew Dentino graduated with a DDS from Case Western Reserve University School of Dentistry in 1986, and from SUNY at Buffalo with a PhD in Oral Biology and a Certificate in Periodontics in 1992. He has been teaching and doing research at Marquette University since that time and is the Undergraduate Program Director of Periodontics. A Diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology, Dr. Dentino has lectured nationally and internationally, and is a Reviewer for various dental and non-dental journals as well as an invited reviewer for NIH study section.

Dr. Moe Kassab received his D.D.S from Damascus University, Syria in 2000, He then received his Certificate in periodontology and M.S. in Oral Biology from State University of New York at Buffalo. He currently a Clinical Associate Professor and has previous experience at Harvard University, School of Dental Medicine and clinical research at the Forsyth Institute. Dr. Kassab's research focuses on the utilization of connective tissue grafts in treating gingival recession. Also he is involved in clinical research to investigate the use of dental implants in the "esthetic zone".

Dr. Arndt Guentsch graduated and got his training in Periodontics in Germany. He earns a Dr.med.dent. (DMD) in 2001 and a PhD in 2011 from the Friedrich-Schiller-University Jena in Germany as well as a Master degree in Health Business Administration (MHBA) in 2013 from the Friedrich-Alexander-University Nuremberg. Dr. Guentsch is board certified from the German Society of Periodontology (2013). His passion is to combine clinic and research. Dr. Guentsch authored approx. 100 publications, more than 40 of them were published in peer-reviewed journals. From 2001 until 2014 he was a faculty member at the University Hospital in Jena, Germany and since 2015 he joined the Department of Surgical Sciences at the Marquette University School of Dentistry as Associate Professor.

Dr. Guo-Hao (Alex) Lin joins us in August after graduating with a masters from University of Michigan's program. He has authored or co-authored 20 articles in his early career and will be a welcomed addition to our faculty.

In next year's issue we will showcase our current research and progress.

## UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

### Graduating Residents 2016:

Guo-Hao "Alex" Lin

Thesis- Factors Influencing Dental Implant Survival & Success: A retrospective Study. Dr. Lin will be teaching at the Marquette School of Dentistry, Milwaukee WI

Alberto Monje

Thesis-3D Printed Scaffold for Periodontal Tissue Repair  
Dr. Monje will be at the University Of Bern, Switzerland for a one year as an ITI fellow with Dr. Daniel Buser.

Alexandra Plonka

Thesis- Non-Viral PDGF Gene Delivery for Periodontal Tissue Regeneration. Dr. Plonka will be in Private Practice in Michigan and teaching one day a week as Faculty at the University Of Michigan School Of Dentistry.

Fernando Suarez

Thesis- Influence of Titanium Particles on Oral Epithelial Cells  
Dr. Suarez will be teaching at the University Of Michigan School Of Dentistry, Ann Arbor MI

We are excited to welcome the class of 2019 who arrived on July 5, 2016 they are:

Sajjad Ashnagar from Tehran University, Iran

Sajjad finished his dental studies in 2014, with a plan to study periodontics in the United States in mind. He started a 9 month postdoctoral certificate at the University of California Los Angeles in 2015 to gain both research and clinical skills. Sajjad was accepted into the University of Michigan periodontics program with a combined certificate and Master's program.

## UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN CONTINUED

Anusha Etikala from NTR University, India  
Anusha Etikala comes from Hyderabad, India and she graduated with a BDS degree from NTR University of Health Sciences in 2011. She practiced as a general dentist in India before moving to Seattle in 2012 to pursue MS in Oral Biology. Anusha plans to teach and practice Periodontics in Seattle after graduating.

Glendale Lim from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI  
Glendale is a recent graduate of the University Of Michigan School Of Dentistry. Throughout her dentistry training, Glendale actively participated in volunteering and community service to promote the importance of oral health in the local community. Glendale is interested in all facets of dentistry, but has a particular interest in periodontology.

Bartosz Maska from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI  
In the early period in his education Dr. Maska developed a curiosity for dentistry. Dr. Maska matriculated into the University

Of Michigan School Of Dentistry in 2012. While studying dentistry, he found great interest in Periodontics. Dr. Maska was chosen as a candidate for the Michigan Periodontal Alumni Award and received the Russell W. Bunting Periodontics Award as a graduating senior.

Ning Yu from China Medical University, China and UNC with a PhD D. Ning graduated from China Medical University in 2008 and received a PhD degree in Oral Biology from University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2015. Dr. Yu was recently awarded the Tien-Lu Wang Fellowship upon entry into our program.

This year, the department published 64 peer-reviewed articles, and have 14 accepted, but not yet published articles. Congrats!

SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY  
CENTER FOR ADVANCED DENTAL EDUCATION

Our program welcomes three new residents: Dr. Ady Azhari graduated from King Abdulaziz University Faculty of Dentistry in 2013. Since that time, he served as a Teaching Assistant in the Department of Periodontology at the same university. Dr. Reinaldo Deliz-Guzman graduated from the University of Puerto Rico Medical Sciences Campus School of Dental Medicine. He completed a GPR at the Kingsbrook Jewish Medical Center in Brooklyn, NY in 2014. Following his GPR training, he was in private practice in Puerto Rico. Dr. Shirin Farhadian received her dental degree from Semmelweis University in Budapest, Hungary in 2013.

Three residents graduated from the program this year: Dr. Kristin Rogers, Dr. Hassan Asghar and Dr. Zaid Atarchi. They completed the following projects as part of their Master's degree: Incidence of Residual Cement of Cement Retained

Implant Supported Crown Restorations in an Academic Setting: A Retrospective Study, Preventive Treatment Following Dental Implant Placement and Restoration in a Dental School Setting, and Prevalence of Marginal Bone Loss in Adolescent Patients: A Retrospective Radiographic Analysis. All three of our graduates are entering private practice.

We welcome a former program graduate (2013) to our faculty, Dr. Justin Schlaikjer. He will be a welcome addition to our clinical teaching staff. Congratulations to one of our faculty, Dr. Dwight McLeod. He has accepted the position as Dean at the A. T. Still Missouri School of Dentistry and Oral Health in St Louis. Also congratulations to Dr. Nathalia Garcia. She was named Section Head of Periodontology at our affiliate institution, Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine.

ROUDEBUSH VETERANS ADMINISTRATION,  
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Dr. Arwa El Maraghi has completed her periodontal residency at the Roudebush VA this past spring. There are two third year residents in the program this year. Dr. Jay Bowling plans to return to a group practice in Indianapolis after completing his program. Aaron D. F. Stanley is from Pikeville, KY.

He received his D.M.D. at the University of Kentucky and intends to return to private practice in Pikeville after completing his studies at Roudebush next spring. Beginning his first year in the program is Jeremy Oakley. He earned his dental degree at the University of Maryland. Dr. Clark Barco is the Director of the Periodontal Residency at the Roudebush VA Medical Center in Indianapolis, IN.