

# THE JARVIE NEWSLETTER

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## *The William Jarvie Society*

*The William Jarvie Society is the official student research group of the School of Dental and Oral Surgery. Our objectives are to publish the Jarvie Journal, to organize Birnberg Research Day, to organize Jarvie Luncheon Lectures with Columbia's residency programs to learn about ongoing research in their respective specialties, to encourage faculty members and students to participate in dental research, to encourage American Association for Dental Research (AADR) and International Association for Dental Research (IADR) membership.*

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2004 – 2005

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## *Why Join Jarvie?*

When many people think of research they immediately get intimidated. In fact, when I applied to dental school, one of the first questions I asked was, "Is there a research requirement at your school?" The problem is that many of us view research as sitting at a laboratory bench running gels or at a computer entering mindless data. However, research can be ANYTHING!!

Someone could investigate a question that's been bothering them since they started dental school and write a quick review and call it "Research". Another person could take something of interest to them, like Economics or Art, and create a new spin on dentistry and call it "Research". One could hand out a simple questionnaire in front of Mike's Bagels, tally the results, and present it. Guess what? RESEARCH!

**Research simply allows us the opportunity to gain an edge and different perspective on the subjects we learn about everyday.** As a first and second year dental student, there is only so much that can be learned from didactic classes about the different facets of dentistry. Regardless of being interested in specializing or not, research further opens your mind. Oh and then there's the other plus – it expands your CV. Contrary to what was once believed, research does not simply "pad" your credentials. It displays your commitment and desire to exploring and learning more than expected. We are all at an Ivy League Dental School and housed in one of the best teaching hospitals in the country. If for nothing else, it would almost be a sin to not take advantage of the resources and faculty that surround us now.

The William Jarvie Society is a chapter of the American Association of Dental Research. Approximately 25% of the students in the DDS program at SDOS are members each year. Although it is NOT a requirement of Jarvie that a member be actively involved in research, our main goal is to acquaint interested students with dental research opportunities. We wish to entice every Columbia dental student to be interested and hopefully, involved in biomedical research. Whether it's answering a simple question or beginning a future in research as a career, all we ask is for you to get involved somehow.

There are many benefits to being an active member of Jarvie. Each month, we invite a different residency program from the school to present hot areas of research in their field and to answer questions about their program in general. One of the highlights of our year is Birnberg Day. Every Spring, every SDOS faculty and student member involved in a research project has the opportunity to present their work to the Columbia community at large. The publication of the Jarvie Journal and a quarterly newsletter are other features of our society.

*by David Koslovsky '06*

## *Special Thanks to*

Mary Beth Giacona, DDS '04, for presenting at our first meeting of the year: "**Research in Pediatric Dentistry**".

Mary Beth is a first year Pediatric Dentistry Resident here at Columbia and spoke about her involvement with research while attending SDOS as well as the Pediatric Dentistry Program in general.

Mary Beth may be contacted at [mg1102@columbia.edu](mailto:mg1102@columbia.edu).

## *Current Membership*

Divya Agarwal	Nicholas Katchen
Hannah Ahn	Asha Kapur
Joseph Akkora	Jamas Kim
David Alfi	Alia Koch
Cory Bailey	David Koslovsky
Merissa Blais	Vonnie Lee
Carl Brackman	Jeffrey Lin
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Erica Coe	Amanda Nichols
Rush Davidson	Jennifer Paik
Shon DiGuglielmo	Aaron Park
Gilda Duarte	Mimi Park
Joseph Dubin	Stephen Petty
Rania Elbaz	Yandresco Quintana
Helaman Erickson	Aaron Schwartz
Tina Fernandez	Neeru Singh
Matthew Fien	Ronit Sternberg
Cristina Georgescu	Kyung (Grace) Sung
Becky Gong	Jesse Tang
Erica Grayson	Windy Thompson
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Petar Hinic	Tina Vani
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Tiffany Huang	
Jaelyn Hui	

## *2004 - 2005 Schedule of Upcoming Events*

December 15, 2004	The Jarvie Newsletter, Issue 1
January 18, 2005	Research in Orthodontics and Prosthodontics
February 16, 2005	Research in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery and Oral Pathology
March 1, 2005	The Jarvie Newsletter, Issue 2
March 10, 2005	Research in Periodontics and Endodontics
March 24, 2005	Preparing for Birnberg Day: Poster Making Session I
April 7, 2005	Poster Making Session II
April 13, 2005	Birnberg Day and release of The Jarvie Journal
April 14, 2005	Birnberg Lecture and Lunch
May 4, 2005	Final Meeting and Elections

## *Membership*

All pre-doctoral & post-doctoral students and faculty members of Columbia University School of Dental and Oral Surgery are eligible for membership. The William Jarvie Society offers two forms of membership:

**Basic (\$10)** includes membership to:

William Jarvie Society

**Premium (\$35)** includes memberships to:

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American Association of Dental Research (AADR)

International Association of Dental Research (IADR)

Memberships to both the AADR and IADR allow the student to network with dental researchers and dental faculty around the world and provide an opportunity to obtain a subscription to the Journal of Dental Research at a reduced fee.

Members will also receive a user name and password, enabling access to a list of research mentors and positions currently available for doing research.

To become a member of the William Jarvie Society, visit the website at [www.dental.columbia.edu/jarvie](http://www.dental.columbia.edu/jarvie) or contact Scott Howell, our Treasurer, at [sch2010@columbia.edu](mailto:sch2010@columbia.edu).