

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY  
COLLEGE OF DENTAL MEDICINE



THE SECOND ANNUAL  
**DEAN'S  
HONORS  
DAY**

Celebrating CDM Faculty Accomplishments  
9/1/2015 – 8/31/2016

NOVEMBER 22, 2016

Congratulations to the College of Dental Medicine (CDM) Faculty who are being honored for their achievements at today's event, and special thanks to Dr. Lalla for her leadership in support of the Faculty. This year's gathering is particularly meaningful as



it happens at the 100th anniversary of our college on university lines. Needless to say, today's event will be remembered.

We are proud to celebrate with those members of our Faculty who got promoted and/or were recognized for their contributions during the past academic year (2015-2016). While we honor the individual contributions, we are also cognizant of the impact that each honoree makes to the reputation of CDM at-large. It is the strive for excellence that distinguishes

Columbia from many other institutions of Higher Education. Being part of the Columbia community, CDM is aware of the mandate that is imposed on us.

Today's event is intended to support the promotion of a culture whereby we acknowledge and cherish the achievements of our Faculty in terms of transformational scholarship, excellence in patient care, and exceptional service contributions. May it inspire all of us to strive for more as we will be defining CDM's contribution in the next 100 years.

Sincerely,

**Christian Stohler, DMD, DrMedDent**

*Dean*

## LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

**David A. Albert, DDS, MPH**

*Project Lead, NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital (NYPH) Tobacco Cessation*

**Steven Chussid, DDS**

*Chair, Columbia University Health Care, Inc. (CUHC) Committee on Appointments*

**Joseph V. Errante, DDS**

*Senior Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs*

**Bridget Ferguson, DDS**

*Director, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Clinic*

**Roseanna Graham, DDS, PhD, MA**

*Director, Division of Operative Dentistry*

**Priscilla A. Konecky, DDS**

*Interim Director, Undergraduate Endodontics*

**Esther S. Rubin, DDS, MPH**

*Senior Clinic Group Leader*

**Lynda Torre, DDS**

*Director, Third Year Clinic Program*

## PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

**Sahng G. (Martin) Kim, DDS, MS**

*Associate Professor of Dental Medicine at the Columbia University Medical Center  
 Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences*

## PROMOTION TO ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

**Bridget Ferguson, DDS**

*Assistant Professor of Dental Medicine at the Columbia University Medical Center  
 (Volunteer to Full-Time)  
 Section of Hospital Dentistry*

## PROMOTION TO INSTRUCTOR

**Hosam Alrqi, BDS, MS**

*Instructor in Dental Medicine at the Columbia University Medical Center  
 (Part-time to Full-Time)  
 Section of Population Oral Health*

## COLLEGE OF DENTAL MEDICINE

**Jennifer P. Bassiur, DDS**

Section of Hospital Dentistry

*Dr. Stanislaw H. Brzustowicz Junior Faculty Award, CDM Alumni Association  
 &*

*Inductee, Columbia Chapter of the Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society*

**Michelle S. Mirsky, DDS**

Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

*Vice President,  
 CDM Alumni Association*

**Michael Perrino, DDS, MD**

Section of Hospital Dentistry

*Henry Sage Dunning Award,  
 Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residents*

**Elizabeth Philipone, DMD**

Section of Hospital Dentistry

*The Edward V. Zegarelli Teaching Award,  
 CDM Alumni Association*

*CDM Junior Faculty Development Fund Recipients*

**Luz Marina Aguirre, DMD**

Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

**Hosam Alrqi, BDS, MS**

Section of Population Oral Health

**June Harewood, DDS, MA, MS**

Section of Growth & Development

**Asma Muzaffar, DDS**

Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

**Alison Newgard, DDS**

Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

**Daniel Oh, PhD**

Section of Hospital Dentistry

**Cleber Silva, DDS**

Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

## COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

**Gunnar Hasselgren, DDS, PhD**

Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

*Columbia University-Coulter Foundation Translational Research Partnership Award*

**Evanthia Lalla, DDS, MS**

Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

*Provost Leadership Fellow*

**Samuel J. Zeichner, DMD, MA, MS**

Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

*President's Global Innovation Fund Award*

## NATIONAL

**Luz Marina Aguirre, DMD**

Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

*Institute for Diversity in Leadership,*

*American Dental Association (ADA) Board of Trustees*



*President, New York Hispanic Dental Association*

**Kavita P. Ahluwalia, DDS, MPH**

Section of Population Oral Health

*Diplomate, American Board of Dental Public Health*

**David A. Albert, DDS, MPH**

Section of Population Oral Health

*2016 Honoree for Support of Washington Heights Older Adults,*

*The Riverstone Life Services Group*

**Jennifer P. Bassiur, DDS**

Section of Hospital Dentistry

*Treasurer, American Academy of Orofacial Pain Executive Committee*

**Nurit Bittner, DDS, MS, FACP**

Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

*Secretary, Board of Directors of the American College of Prosthodontists New York Section*

**College of Dental Medicine**

*2015 Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) Award,*

*INSIGHT into Diversity*

**Burton Edelstein, DDS, MPH**

Section of Population Oral Health

*2016 William J. Gies Award for Outstanding Achievement by a Public or Private Partner,*

*ADEAGies Foundation Board of Trustees*



*President Emeritus,*

*Children's Dental Health Project*

**Sidney B. Eisig, DDS**

Section of Hospital Dentistry

*Visiting Professor Award,*

*University of Florida College of Dental Medicine*



*Top 25 Reviewers,*

*Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery*

**Mildred Christine Embree, DMD, PhD**

Section of Growth & Development

*Judge,*

*American Association for Dental Research (AADR) Hatton Award Committee*

**Bridget Ferguson, DDS**

Section of Hospital Dentistry

*American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Emerging Academic Leaders Program*

**Roseanna Graham, DDS, PhD, MA**

Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

*Chair, American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Section on Educational*

*Research, Development, and Curriculum*

**Yiping Han, PhD**

Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

*Board of Directors,*

*Sino-Micro Group, The Overseas Chinese Society for Microbiology*

**George Jenkins, DMD, MHA**

Section of Population Oral Health

*Faculty Appreciation Award,*

*Student National Dental Association (SNDA)*

**Sahng G. (Martin) Kim, DDS, MS**

Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

*2016 Publication Award,*



*2016 Honorable Mention,*

*Journal of Endodontics*

**Alia Koch, DDS, MD**

Section of Hospital Dentistry

*Fellow,*

*American College of Surgeons*

**Joseph McManus, DMD, MS, MHA, MBA, MS, FACD**

Section of Population Oral Health

*Member,*

*American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD) Health Policy Advisory Board*

**Michelle S. Mirsky, DDS**

Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

*Chair,*

*New York Academy of Dentistry Research Committee*

**Dennis Mitchell, DDS, MPH**

Section of Population Oral Health &

Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

*Chair,*

*American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Minority Affairs Advisory Committee*



*Director,*

*National Dental Association (NDA) - Health Now, New York*

**Alison Newgard, DDS**

Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

*Member,*

*Special Care Dentistry Association (SCDA) Membership Committee*

**Mark L. Pitel, DMD**

Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

*Advisory Board,*

*Dentistry Today*

**Dennis Tarnow, DDS**

Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

*Distinguished Lecturer Award,*

*American College of Prosthodontists*



*The Morton Amsterdam Lifetime Interdisciplinary Teaching Award,*

*Dental X-P Organization*



*President, American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry*

**Lynda Torre, DDS**

Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

*American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Emerging Academic Leaders Program*

**Marc D. Schlenoff, DDS**

Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

*Attending Dentist of the Year,*

*Weill Cornell NYPH Residents*

**Aubrie Swan Sein, PhD**

Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

*Leadership Education and Development (LEAD) Certificate Program,*

*Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC)*

**Richard Yoon, DDS**

Section of Growth & Development

*Renewal of Board Certification Process - Continuous Quality Improvement,*

*American Board of Pediatric Dentistry*

## INTERNATIONAL

**Yiping Han, PhD**

Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

*Board of Directors,*

*Anaerobe Society of the Americas*

**Evanthia Lalla, DDS, MS**

Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

*Immediate Past President,*

*Periodontal Research Group of the International Association for Dental Research (IADR)*

**Panos N. Papapanou, DDS, PhD**

Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

*Co-Chair,*

*American Academy of Periodontology & European Federation of Periodontology*

*World Workshop (to update the classification of periodontal and peri-implant diseases)*

*&*

*The Yngve Ericsson Prize in Prophylactic Dentistry Research,*

*Swedish Patent Revenue Fund for Prophylactic Odontology and European Organization*

*for Caries Research*

**Sunil Wadhwa, DDS, PhD**

Section of Growth & Development

*President Elect,*

*Craniofacial Biology Research Group of the International Association for Dental Research*

*(IADR)*

**Samuel J. Zeichner, DMD, MA, MS**

Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

*Scientific Session Chair,*

*12th International Bernd-Spiessl-Symposium for Innovative and Visionary Technologies*

*in Cranio-Maxillofacial Surgery*



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