

IMPRESSIONS

TRAILBLAZERS IN ORAL HEALTH FOR BC AND BEYOND

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BRINGING TOGETHER A SHARED VISION

Photographer: Jan Fröjdman

The UBC Faculty of Dentistry and Planmeca have enjoyed a long-standing partnership, recently coming together to celebrate the company's generous support of the new simulation laboratory in the Nobel Biocare Oral Health Centre. Though oceans apart, both organizations share the same level of commitment to dental education and patient care.

Jan Fröjdman spent decades as a mechanical design manager with Planmeca before retiring in 2015. He now focuses his time on a small photography and film business. Mr. Fröjdman captured the cover image of a Bearded Reedling (*Panurus biarmicus*)—"Viiksitimali" in Finnish—during wintertime in Porvoo, located in the southern part of Finland. This year's cover image represents the strong and unwavering partnership between the Faculty and Planmeca.

View more of Jan's work at av-creo.com



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Dean's Message

The UBC Faculty of Dentistry has had yet another stellar year as trailblazers in oral health for British Columbia and beyond. During the summer, we completed several transformative renovations in the Nobel Biocare Oral Health Centre (NBOHC) and the second floor of the John B. MacDonald (JBM) building. It is inspiring to see these first major strategic plan initiatives—conceived during the COVID-19 pandemic—come to completion, demonstrating the vision of our Faculty.

The disruption was worth the remarkable upgrades that have taken place this academic year within our Faculty, changes that will facilitate our students' academic programs, learning and quality patient care. Many thanks to those team members involved firsthand in the planning, design, execution, and implementation of the new central dispensary, the NBOHC dental chair upgrade, the simulation laboratory, and the graduate, orthodontics and undergraduate digital dentistry facilities. Our shared vision would not be possible without your passion, dedication and hard work.

In the pages of this issue, we highlight the past year's many significant achievements related to the core areas of people, education, research and engagement as outlined in our strategic plan, *IMPACT 2020-2025*. The Faculty of Dentistry's people, or "TeamSmile," are at the heart of our continued success. With this year's return to in-person events and initiatives, we have become more engaged and connected than ever.

The BC dental community reunited after the pandemic hiatus at the 21st annual Toothfairy Gala, which captured an incredible spirit of generosity. Through an exciting cake auction, the event raised more than \$200,000 for the Save a Smile Program to support oral health care for children in BC from low-income families.

In September, members of Planmeca travelled from Finland to celebrate the completion of two monumental projects made possible through the largest single donation ever received by the Faculty of Dentistry. Creating a new simulation laboratory and updating the NBOHC dental chairs ensures students will continue to receive the best possible educational experience over the next decade.



The Faculty of Dentistry remains at the forefront of dental education, exemplified through the installation of advanced technology in our clinic and learning spaces and the incorporation of digital dentistry in our academic programs. Our team also launched an unprecedented faculty recruitment plan. As of September 1, 2022, we welcomed eight new clinical faculty members to TeamSmile, each committed to teaching and building our research capacity.

Research excellence and innovation remain defining features of the Faculty. Since joining as an assistant professor in 2021, Dr. Jessica Rosin has established her lab and was recently announced as the Tier 2 Canada Research Chair (CRC) in Immune Regulation of Developmental Programs, making history as the first researcher in the Faculty to hold a Tier 2 CRC position. Tier 2 CRCs are awarded to exceptional emerging researchers like Dr. Rosin who are on track to become leaders in their field.

We continue to focus on building upon our external community engagement activities. While on hiatus during the pandemic, this summer saw the Summer Student Practitioner Program (SSPP) return. A total of 127 SSPP contracts were signed, placing 44 students with 88 dentists across BC, allowing students to be part of a dental practice's day-to-day operation and management.

Another important project involves a purposeful partnership between the Elizabeth Fry (EFry) Society of Greater Vancouver and UBC Dentistry. For the past nine years, this collaboration has allowed for preventive oral health services to be offered to marginalized women and children. This project is set to expand in early 2023 with the opening of the EFry Health Centre, a purpose-built space on the first floor of the new Rosewood five-story building in Surrey, BC. It will provide over 100 women and youth—and their children—with emergency homeless shelter beds and permanent long-term housing. The first floor includes a 5,800-square-foot three-chair dental clinic that will engage women to invest in health care for themselves and their children. UBC Dentistry faculty and students will rotate through the clinic, receiving educational instruction and providing restorative, preventive and emergency oral health service at no cost to EFry or its clients.

We hope you enjoy the highlights of our collective TeamSmile accomplishments in this issue of *Impressions*. These accolades reflect the breadth and depth of the innovations within the UBC Faculty of Dentistry related to our mission of education, research and service. As trailblazers, we are committed to impacting dental education and oral healthcare here in BC, across Canada and globally.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Mary MacDougall".

DR. MARY MACDOUGALL
Dean and Professor, Faculty of Dentistry

Celebrating Six Years of TeamSmile

In November 2022, I announced that I was stepping down as Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry when my current *pro tem* term ends in August 2023.

Throughout my academic career, I have viewed change in a positive light. It is an opportunity for reflective vision, growth, and enrichment. Upon arriving in August 2017, I introduced myself to the larger British Columbia dental community as a passionate agent of change. I am inspired by the words of Winston Churchill, “*To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often.*” I hope my vision of empowering innovative change is evident at UBC Dentistry.

It has been a true honour and privilege to have served as the first female, non-clinician appointed Dean in our Faculty's history. As I began my leadership role, I committed to treating everyone with respect and kindness and developing a diverse, equitable, and inclusive culture. We have collectively enacted many positive changes to build and grow our “TeamSmile” culture and enhance communications.

Through collaborative planning, we refreshed our core foundation to reflect the changing landscape in dental education. Our vision has been bold and compelling, providing a compass for the Faculty while reinforcing what matters most to our students, faculty, staff, alumni, patients and partners. Our transformative aspirations are delineated in our strategic plan *IMPACT 2020-2025: Trailblazers in Oral Health for BC and Beyond*, focusing on the four priority areas of education, research, people and engagement. The strategic plan has served our Faculty in mitigating the disruption of the COVID-19 global pandemic. During this unprecedented time, our team collectively showed a deep commitment to our mission, demonstrating a high level of fortitude, resilience, and kindness in supporting one another through a period of disruption and uncertainty. We served as true leaders on campus with in-person student simulation instruction and patient care.

Reflecting on our many collective accomplishments, I have struggled to condense a lengthy list. The following offers only a snapshot of our many shared successes:

- Launching the Faculty's strategic plan *IMPACT 2020-2025: Trailblazers in Oral Health for BC and Beyond*

- Establishing the Patterson Dental Learning Centre through a \$1.83 million donation
- Ensuring student impact, mindfulness and well-being through “Food for Thought” meetings, an embedded counsellor and the establishment of the Sweet Student Fund
- Committing to the expansion of Indigenous oral health care providers in BC by creating the Dentistry Indigenous Working Group, greatly enhancing Indigenous student enrollment, adding dedicated program seats, and appointing the first Indigenous faculty member
- Organizing enhanced long-term appointments for clinical faculty, developing a faculty hiring plan through the departments based on our academic programs, and expanding research faculty through the President's Academic Excellence Initiative's new cluster focus in Craniofacial Oral Dental Disorders (CODED), and new Canada Research Chair (Tier 1 and 2) positions
- Unprecedented expansion of full-time faculty with the successful filling of nine positions for Fall 2022-23
- Establishing an expanded executive leadership team with new roles guided by our strategic plan: Director of Community, Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Indigenous Advisor to the Dean, and Director of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies
- Implementing the first strategic initiative under the education pillar focused on new technologies to enhance student learning by adding simulation and digital dentistry
- Receiving multiple President's Excellence Awards totalling \$8.2 million for the Simulation and Digital Dentistry undergraduate and graduate laboratories
- Raising over \$8 million for the simulation and digital dentistry initiatives from corporate partners: Planmeca, 123Dentist, Dentsply Sirona, Straumann, Dell Canada, and SprintRay, including the largest single donation in the Faculty's history of over \$6.2 million from Planmeca
- Upgrading the Nobel Biocare Oral Health Centre's 144 dental chairs and the central clinical dispensary, expanding the clinic lifespan to 2037

- Increasing community involvement with the completion of the dental clinic at the Elizabeth Fry Society Rosewood building
- Enhancing communication with the *Impressions eBulletin* and *Just Smiles* electronic newsletters
- Securing the Faculty's information technology (IT) services under UBC's Central IT, decreasing the identified high-risk level of a cyber-attack related to patient records while increasing services and oversight

These achievements reflect the Faculty's outstanding global reputation as an innovative dental education, service, and research leader. We are thankful to have the loyal support and generosity of our deeply engaged alumni, community partners and dental industry leaders in this mission of excellence. On behalf of the Faculty, I sincerely thank all our donors for your support; your generosity is integral to our continued success.

I feel privileged to have worked with many talented people throughout my tenure. Many thanks to the administrative leadership team, faculty, staff and students who have supported me throughout my deanship. Special thanks to the executive leadership team, especially those who made up our COVID-19 rapid response leadership team: Drs. Jolanta Aleksejuniene, Fernanda Almeida, Mario Brondani, Leeann Donnelly, Andrea Esteves, Riki Gottlieb, Zul Kanji, Jelena Karan, Denise Laronde, Ed Putnins, Joy Richman, Warren Roberts, Ya Shen and Eli Whitney. I also want to thank the leadership of our two department Heads, Dr. Rick Carvalho (OBMS) and Dr. Chris Wyatt (OHS), and past Heads or Acting Heads, Drs. Markus Haapasalo, Hannu Larjava, and David McDonald. A sincere thank you to our senior executive staff members, Jane Merling, Susanne Schmiesing, and my executive assistant Leanne Ebbs.

When I step down in August 2023, I will have served for six years with a deep and purposeful commitment to better define and improve our education, research and service mission, providing value to our learners, alumni and the oral health community. The Faculty is well-positioned to continue its forward-looking vision of transformative



innovation with the necessary resources to support future strategic initiatives.

My goal was to leave my deanship having made significant and notable contributions benefiting the university, our faculty and staff, and most importantly, our students in their academic programs. I hope I have left a mark as a passionate agent of change.

“Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened.” – Dr. Seuss

With great appreciation,

DR. MARY MACDOUGALL
Dean and Professor, Faculty of Dentistry

Faculty Spotlight

UBC Dentistry has made revisions to our leadership team to support our strategic plan, *IMPACT 2020-2025*. New appointments define and oversee the Faculty's objectives related to people, education, research and engagement.

NEW LEADERSHIP APPOINTMENTS



Dr. Zul Kanji took on the role of Acting Director of Student Affairs on February 7, 2022.



Dr. Bingshuang Zou started the role of Graduate Student Advisor on March 1, 2022.



Jelena Karan assumed the role of Acting DHDP Director on September 1, 2022. Ms. Karan also took on the role of DHDP Admissions Chair.

NEW FACULTY AND PROMOTIONS



Dr. Fernanda Almeida (Division of Orthodontic and Dental Sleep Medicine) was promoted to Professor.



Dr. Diego Ardenghi was appointed as Associate Professor of Teaching in the Division of Restorative Dentistry.



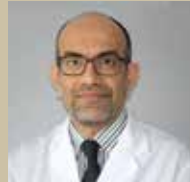
Dr. Luana Carvalho was appointed as Assistant Professor of Teaching in the Division of Restorative Dentistry.



Dr. Mohamed Gebril was appointed as Assistant Professor in the Division of Prosthodontics and Geriatrics.



Dr. Renata Grazziotin was appointed as Assistant Professor in the Division of Endodontics.



Dr. Ahmed Hieawy was appointed as Associate Professor in the Division of Endodontics.



Dr. Yan Liu was appointed as Clinical Assistant Professor in the Division of Orthodontic and Dental Sleep Medicine.



Dr. Lauren Milchman (lecturer) assumed leadership of the DMD Student Clinical Mentorship Program.



Sabina Reitzik was appointed as a lecturer in the division of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology.



Dr. Raquel Rodrigues was appointed as a lecturer in the Division of Restorative Dentistry.



Dr. Zahid Tejani was appointed as a lecturer in the Division of General Dentistry.



Dr. Hadi Hashem Zehi was appointed as a lecturer in the Division of Oral Surgery.

UBC 25 Year Club

The UBC 25 Year Club was established in 1971 by President Walter Gage to recognize non-faculty staff with 25 years of uninterrupted or accumulated service and has since expanded to recognize those who have reached the 35, 40 and 50-year milestones.

Congratulations to **Miriam Dexter, CDA, Grad Perio Supervisor** and **Linda (Gerlinde) Togel, CDA, Geriatric Dentistry**, who celebrated 25 years at UBC in 2022. The Faculty of Dentistry thanks you for your many years of service to UBC and the Faculty!



Faculty of Dentistry Trailblazers: An evening of awards and celebration

On October 18, 2022, the *UBC Faculty of Dentistry Trailblazers: An evening of awards and celebration* took place at the AMS Student Nest with nearly 200 attendees. Formerly known as Dean's Night, the event celebrated faculty accomplishments in education, research and community engagement. Several faculty also received student-nominated teaching awards, highlighting their commitment and passion for training the next generation of dental professionals.

Awards were handed out to 77 students, recognizing their incredible academic achievements, leadership and community involvement.

We are extremely grateful to our award supporters who continue to provide funding and allow us to celebrate the many successes of our students and faculty.

For a list of all award recipients and photos, visit dentistry.ubc.ca/trailblazers



Donor Highlights

“Learning is a Lifelong Endeavour”

Drs. Nellie Trinh and Michael Chan, long-time supporters of UBC Dentistry and the dental community, recently named the last of the open operatories in the Patterson Dental Learning Centre. Dr. Trinh also recently joined the Faculty as one of our greatly valued clinical instructors.

Thank you to Drs. Trinh and Chan for their ongoing investment in making a difference for our students and providing a truly exceptional learning experience.

Paying it Forward—Chow Family Bursary Doubles Impact

Dr. Ken Chow, BSc 1987 and Mrs. Susan Chow, BA 1987, are active supporters of several under-served initiatives and philanthropists of UBC and the dental community. When establishing their UBC Dentistry bursary in 2003, it was important to the Chow’s not to deny any eligible students an education based solely on financial need. As an immigrant and a first-generation Canadian, the Chow’s have seen firsthand the challenges and sacrifices their families faced and have resolved to help make a difference to dental students who need financial support. When presented with the opportunity to be part of the UBC Student Affordability Initiative and special match funding opportunity, Ken and Susan committed to increasing the investment of the Chow Family Bursary, providing financial aid at a total value of \$100,000 over the next five years. We are incredibly thankful for their continued investment and support of UBC Dentistry.



Dr. Ken Chow and Mrs. Susan Chow



Dr. Nellie Trinh and Dr. Michael Chan



Dr. Payam Deljouei



Dr. Sunny Tatra

Another Operatory ‘Adoption’!

Congratulations to Dr. Payam Deljouei, class of 2007, who recently named open operatory 2.2 in the Nobel Biocare Oral Health Centre. As both an alumnus and clinical instructor, we thank Dr. Deljouei for his generosity and dedication to supporting our students.

The Gurminder Singh Tatra Bursary—A Perfect Match

Dr. Sunny Tatra, class of 2003, created the Gurminder Singh Tatra Bursary as part of his commitment to give back and support the next generation of oral health care professionals. To date, his bursary has supported over 60 dental students faced with financial challenges. Like Dr. Tatra, UBC believes no eligible student should be denied an education based solely on financial need.

The FORWARD for Students Affordability Initiative is an operational fund that supports need-based student awards and affordability programs and services. When asked to increase his support and create a new commitment of \$50,000, Dr. Tatra did not hesitate.

UBC will match his donation, which means the Gurminder Singh Tatra Bursary will now have double the impact, providing \$100,000 in dental student support.

Introducing our New Alumni Partner: CDSPI

We’re pleased to announce that CDSPI has joined the UBC Dentistry Alumni Partnership Program. A long-time supporter of the Summer Student Practitioner Program, CDSPI is well known and a great addition to our corporate partners who generously support our alumni events, networking and educational opportunities for our alumni community.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

If you are interested in learning how you can make a difference and be a part of our valued donor community, please contact Jane Merling at merling@dentistry.ubc.ca.

Two New Funds Honour Titans of Dentistry

The Faculty of Dentistry is proud to support the creation of two new funds in honour of Dr. David B. Kennedy and Dr. Richard B. Kramer—both recognized for their accomplishments, passion and commitment to the dental profession.

DR. DAVID B. KENNEDY ORTHODONTICS FUND

Colleagues, friends and family established this fund to recognize Dr. Kennedy's passion, commitment, and dedication to dental education in Pediatric Dentistry and Orthodontics.

As the first dental specialist in Canada to attain dual fellowship from the Royal College of Dentists of Canada, Dr. Kennedy has held many leadership positions in organized dentistry. As a UBC Faculty of Dentistry Clinical Professor and co-clinic director Graduate Orthodontics, Dr. Kennedy has made significant contributions to the specialty and was a valued mentor, educator and beloved by all.

The Dr. David B. Kennedy Orthodontics Fund provides the opportunity for students in the graduate orthodontics program to advocate for patients who face financial challenges in completing their full and comprehensive dental treatment. Qualified patients receive the treatment they need at a reduced fee, while students gain the advantage of being able to follow through with the full treatment plan for their patients—a true reflection of Dr. Kennedy's devotion to patient care and lasting legacy.

To make a charitable gift, please visit give.ubc.ca/projects/david-b-kennedy-orthodontics-fund



DR. RICHARD B. KRAMER PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY FUND

This fund was established to recognize Dr. Kramer's dedication and commitment to pediatric dentistry. Dr. Kramer has made significant contributions to pediatric dentistry by introducing open-concept clinics, visual distraction techniques, multi-specialty collaborative systems, and building positive team culture. Dr. Kramer continues to be a mentor within the dental community, and his approach to positively shaping children's attitudes toward dentistry has significantly impacted thousands of lives.

The Dr. Richard B. Kramer Pediatric Dentistry Fund provides the opportunity for students in the graduate pediatric dentistry program to advocate for patients who face financial challenges in completing their full and comprehensive dental treatment. Qualified patients receive the treatment they need at a reduced fee, allowing students to follow through with the full treatment plan for their patients.

To make a charitable gift, please visit give.ubc.ca/kramer-pediatric-dentistry



New Entrance Award Supports Undergraduate Students

For Dr. Alan Lowe, UBC Dentistry has been a constant in his adult life. After completing his undergraduate dentistry degree at UBC in 1972, Dr. Lowe received his PhD from the University of Toronto. Shortly after, he returned to UBC, holding a faculty position until his retirement in 2016.

"I loved my time at UBC—it really was a supportive environment where I was encouraged to pursue what I thought was important in the field of orthodontics and sleep apnea," says Dr. Lowe. "I had been thinking about giving back for many years because I'm so grateful for the time I spent here."

Following the 50th anniversary celebration his graduating dental class had on Zoom, Dr. Lowe felt the time was right to make a gift. He established the Alan A. Lowe Entrance Award, a \$2,500 award given to one undergraduate student each year who demonstrates UBC pre-dental academic achievements and contributions to community service. The first award was handed out at the UBC Faculty of Dentistry Trailblazers: An evening of awards and celebration on October 18 to Cameron Houchmand (DMD 2026 candidate).

"Students in dentistry have huge debts, which they graduate with and then build up even more debt when they set up their practice," says Dr. Lowe. "This award is given to them at the beginning of their dental journey and is meant to provide them with a little bit of a cushion to get started."

Throughout his nearly 50-year career, Dr. Lowe ran a leading research centre in the field of oral appliances to treat sleep apnea and snoring. His team developed a device called Klearway—a fully adjustable oral appliance that adjusts the jaw to treat snoring and sleep apnea.

In addition to this research, Dr. Lowe held a faculty position and worked in private practice as an orthodontist. He was integral in developing an undergraduate orthodontic program at UBC and trained more than 2,000 dentists in orthodontics over the course of his career.

Dr. Lowe hopes students who receive this award will also reflect on his career and recognize there are many opportunities outside of traditional dental practice that a degree in dentistry opens the door to.

Thank you to Dr. Lowe for his generosity in establishing this award.



Left to right: Dean Mary MacDougall, Cameron Houchmand, Dr. Alan Lowe

TeamSmile Achievements

The Faculty is incredibly proud of the awards, grants and funding that our faculty and students continue to earn. View the full list of recipients at dentistry.ubc.ca/TeamSmile

AWARDS



Julia Burgess (DMD 2024 candidate) was awarded first place in the CDA/ Dentsply Sirona Student Clinician Research Program competition.



Tala Maragha, PhD student, received a UBC Affiliated Fellowship award valued at \$16,000 and a Doctoral Scholarship from the University of Petra valued at \$28,000 for September 1, 2022 - August 31, 2023.



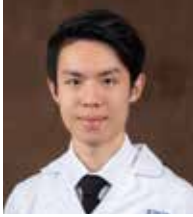
Shayan Darvish, MSc student, received a Canada Graduate Scholarship—Master’s Research Award for \$17,500 for his project “Antibacterial, chemical, and physical properties of a novel dental adhesive loaded with gold nanoshells for photothermal therapy applications,” for April 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023.



Dipon Saha, PhD student, received a UBC Four-Year Fellowship worth \$103,736 for May 1, 2022 - April 30, 2026, for his research project “Enzymology and drug discovery for SARS-CoV-2 non-structural proteins.”



Madhurima Datta, PhD candidate, was awarded a Killam Graduate Teaching Assistant Award.



Bryan Wang (DMD 2022 candidate) was selected as one of the two winners of the nationwide Colgate Power of a Smile Award, receiving \$2,500.



Isra Ibrahim, PhD student, received a Canada Graduate Scholarship—Doctoral Research Award worth \$105,000 for May 1, 2022 - April 30, 2025, for her research project “The role of WNT signalling during normal and abnormal lip fusion.”



Dr. Eshan Jozaghi (DMD 2025 candidate) was one of only 12 recipients across North America to receive the ADEA/GlaxoSmithKline Consumer Healthcare Preventive Dentistry Scholarship, receiving \$2,500 (USD).

CANADIAN JOURNAL OF DENTAL HYGIENE (CJDH) AWARDS

UBC Dentistry has once again swept all three categories!

Dr. Zul Kanji received the CDHA Distinguished Service Award recognizing a significant contribution over a minimum four-year period to the advancement of the dental hygiene profession in Canada or nationally.

Iris Lin (PhD student), Dr. Denise Laronde, Dr. Lewei Zhang, and Ilana Yim (MSc student) received the CJDH Research Award for best original research article for their article, “Basement membrane degeneration is common in lichenoid mucositis with dysplasia.”

Jessica Tamrat, BDSc 2022, won the CDHA/CJDH Student Writing Competition for best literature review for “‘Trans-forming’ dental practice norms: Exploring transgender identity and oral health implications.”

GRANTS AND FUNDING



Dr. Mario Brondani was awarded the CIHR/IRSC Catalyst Grant: Transforming Public Health for \$99,970 for his project titled “Preparation for Transforming Oral Health Prevention throughout Canada: two historical studies, a survey of elected officials and a template for action.”



Dr. Edward Putnins received research operating funds from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research. His proposal titled “Regulation of periodontal disease pathogenesis by the effects of novel monoamine oxidase B inhibitors” was granted \$100,000 for April 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023.



Dr. Nancy Ford was granted \$46,000 from the BC Lung Association for her proposal titled “Denoising preclinical micro-computed tomography images for improved regional analysis of the lungs and pulmonary vasculature in a mouse model of COPD” for February 15, 2022 - February 14, 2024.

Dr. Ford also received research infrastructure funds for an in vivo micro-computed tomography x-ray detector, including \$150,000 in the NSERC Research Tools and Instruments competition and \$50,000 from the UBC Vice-President Research and Innovation Natural Sciences and Engineering Emergency Fund for April 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023.



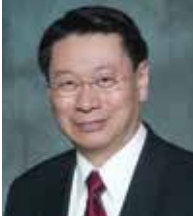
Dr. Christopher Overall was awarded the 2022-23 Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation Establishment Grant for \$120,000 for “Discovering the Molecular Drivers of Differential Pathogenicity on Infection with SARS-CoV-2 and MERS-CoV.” Dr. Overall also received \$149,824.82 for 2022-24 for the “Development of a Lung Organoid Platform to Study TB and SARS-CoV-2 Co-infection and Therapies.”



Drs. Sharmila Arjunan and Edwin Yen received the Align Technology Research Award for 2021, receiving \$25,000 (USD) for their research project titled “Accuracy of Diagnosing Interproximal Enamel Caries Using Bitewing Radiographs and Near Infra-Red Imaging (NIRI) Technology (iTero element 5D scanners) - In Vivo Study.”



Dr. Adriana Manso received \$100,000 in funding from UBC as part of the 2022/23 Grants for Catalyzing Research Clusters competition for “Advancing multifunctional dental biomaterials.”



S. WAH LEUNG ENDOWMENT FUND RECIPIENTS

Dr. Jolanta Aleksejuniene was awarded \$5,000 for her project, “Development and pilot testing of the mini-certificate course for faculty in evidence-based practice.”

Dr. Zul Kanji was awarded \$1,000 for his project, “Knowledge, attitudes, and behaviours of first-year dental students at the University of British Columbia toward the use of student support resources.”

Dr. Hugh Kim was awarded \$5,000 for his project, “Procoagulant platelets in periodontal disease.”

Dr. Jessica Rosin was awarded \$5,000 for her project, “Studying the signalling effects of CSF1R-expressing cells during craniofacial development.”

A Lifetime of Support: Alumni Partners Program Connects Alumni Across Canada

The years spent as a dental student build the framework of a lifelong connection of collegiality and friendship. That connection continues as you are welcomed to our alumni community which provides something unique within UBC Dentistry. Back in 2006 the Faculty committed to supporting graduates throughout their career by launching an innovative Alumni Partners Program.

Over the past 16 years, the program has continued to connect more than 3,400 alumni across the country by delivering social, educational and professional development opportunities. At the heart of the program are eight partners, each a leader in their dental professional niche with something unique to offer. These partners give generously to support various events and promotions across Canada throughout the year, providing alumni with the chance to learn and grow in their dental practice, and to forge relationships that last well into the future. The program also allows partners the opportunity to work together and establish meaningful relationships with one another.

“The alumni events put on by the Faculty of Dentistry provide an exciting opportunity to connect with other alumni, find out news about the school and meet our corporate partners face-to-face in a casual setting,” says Dr. Jimmy Chan, DMD 96. “Many of these events serve as professional development and have allowed me to enhance my dental practice throughout the years, which I’m very grateful for.”

To kick off this year of reconnecting in person with our alumni community, our Partners teamed up for a panel presentation called “Insights to Savour: Practice and Commercial Real Estate Considerations” where alumni came together over dinner to learn about the process and considerations before buying, selling or leasing a dental practice. Celebrating the fantastic summer, our Partners welcomed alumni to Nat Bailey Stadium to cheer on the Vancouver Canadians baseball team. During the pandemic when it wasn’t possible to host in-person events, our amazing Partners still found ways of connecting with alumni, such as offering virtual seminars, contests and even hosting an outdoor drive-in event including well provisioned goody bags!

“Our Alumni Partners Program is truly an exceptional way for our alumni to build on their meaningful connections with their alma mater and our partners, while feeling supported throughout their entire dental career,” says Rosemary Casson, Manager of UBC’s Faculty of Dentistry Alumni Engagement. “Having these eight partners who are fully committed and engaged has made this program an incredible success from the very beginning, and we are so grateful for their ongoing support.”



Vikram Vij, Chef and Ross Pollock, Partner
at Madaisky & Company Business Lawyers

THANK YOU TO OUR ALUMNI PARTNERS!

We greatly value the investment of each of our Partners. Please reach out to them for their expertise:

CDSPI: A not-for-profit organization created by dentists that helps maintain financial well-being with advice, insurance and investments customized for the needs of today’s dentists.

Dentsply Sirona: The world’s largest manufacturer of professional dental products and technology, who are focused on empowering dental professionals to provide better, safer, faster dental care.

Heaps and Doyle: Canada’s first comprehensive dental practice advisory and transition team, bringing together Canada’s most established, knowledgeable and respected dental business advisors.

Madaisky & Company Business Lawyers: Provides business-related legal services and advice to dentists with respect to associate agreements, incorporation, employment matters, real estate matters, leasing, office sharing agreements, corporate reorganizations, and buying and selling dental practices.

MNP LLP: National in scope and local in focus, MNP is one of Canada’s leading professional services firms—proudly serving individuals, businesses and organizations since 1958.

Scotiabank Healthcare +: Scotiabank’s team provides comprehensive financial planning, tailored advice, and personal and business banking solutions specific to the needs of busy dentists.

Sinclair Dental: Canada’s largest, privately-owned, full-service dental distributor. From coast to coast, we are proud to support the Canadian dental community.

Smile Innovations Group: Canada’s leading dental lab network focused on dental laboratory acquisitions, continually seeking out additional opportunities to add to its growing portfolio of companies.



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Alumni Events: A Year in Review

MARCH

In March, virtual class reunions for our milestone DMD Classes of 1972, 1982, 1987, 1997 and 2012 saw classmates enjoy a short online program before connecting in breakout rooms. Classmates from Ontario, Alberta and even Alaska joined the fun! Each participant donated to the student bursary fund and received a party pack to enjoy.



APRIL

April saw the return of our Purple Night Dental Hygiene event. The timing allowed us to celebrate the graduating Class of 2022 alongside a program featuring research from dental hygiene alumni now enrolled in graduate programs.

MAY

In May, we returned to Toronto and the ODA for our first in-person alumni reunion since 2019.

JUNE

In June, celebrity chef, author and television personality Vikram Vij welcomed alumni to the South Surrey office of alumni partner MNP for an evening of Indian food and a panel presentation called “Insights to Savour.”

JULY

Prince George SSPP Summer Social at Northern Lights Winery invited alumni to meet students currently on SSPP placements and share reflections on the program’s impacts.



Late July found alumni and friends gathering at Nat Bailey Stadium to watch a Canadians game and enjoy a barbecue.



SEPTEMBER

On September 24, we celebrated UBC Homecoming featuring the launch of the new THINK FORWARD campaign. Following the launch, visitors to the UBC Dentistry booth met our toothfairy and dental hygiene students in a fun, interactive exhibit.



OCTOBER

On October 6, Thirsty Thursday occurred in person at the UBC Pit Pub. Mixed teams of students and alumni had a wonderful time with each other.



NOVEMBER

In November, a special UBC make-up graduation ceremony for the Classes of 2020 and 2021 preceded the Faculty event, “Celebrating U,” with dinner and a program to welcome back and celebrate new alumni from those classes.

Alumni “In Residence”

Welcoming the DMD Class of 2026 on August 29 and DHDP Class of 2026 on September 6 brought together students to meet alumni partners Sinclair Dental and Dentsply Sirona to receive the annual gift of new backpacks and a sweet treat of “smart cookies.”



On September 8, the Class of 2025 White Coat Celebration included a reception for our second-year students and their guests to enjoy this time-honoured tradition. Livestreaming of the event allowed our alumni and others to watch the program and celebrate!



Congratulations to **Kaileigh Chow (DMD 2025 candidate)**, UBC women’s field hockey team member, for her selection as the first team all-star of Canada West for the second year in a row!



Alongside her academic studies, **Grace Barlow (DMD 2024 candidate)** is pursuing her passion for ice hockey officiating. After completing the National Hockey League (NHL) exposure camp and receiving her International Ice Hockey Federation license, Grace can represent Canada (and UBC). In September 2022, Grace refereed in the NHL prospects camp in Penticton, BC.



STAY IN TOUCH

The Dentistry alumni office helps you stay connected with fellow graduates, plan and promote reunions, and informs you of upcoming educational opportunities. To learn more, contact Rosemary Casson, Manager, Alumni Engagement, at alumni@dentistry.ubc.ca or visit dentistry.ubc.ca/alumni

Alumni Class Notes

1970s

- Celebrating 51 years since graduation, the DMD Class of 1971 gathered over dinner to celebrate.
- The DMD Class of 1979 loves to get together! Drs. **Chuck Borton**, **Wendy Rondeau**, and others from the class watched a BC Lions game with **Dean Mary MacDougall** in August and Drs. **DeCamillis**, **Marasa**, **Borton**, **Rondeau**, **Smith** and **Anderson** recently gathered for a bike ride. Snowshoeing on Cypress is planned for January!



1980s

- In August, while visiting from Hong Kong, **Dr. Norman Wong, DMD 1988**, and Carmen Wong toured the Nobel Biocare Oral Health Centre. Dr. Wong participated in the UBC Dentistry 'Adopt an Op' Program in 2016 and visited his operatory for the first time. The clinic underwent a significant upgrade over the summer, and Dr. Wong was the first to try out his new chair in his operatory!



- **Anu Rehtlane, BSc 1976, DMD 81, LLB 84**, received the Faculty's 2021-22 Alumni Builder Award winner.

1990s

- Drs **Simmons** and **Sertic, DMD 1999**, entered their team in our "Show Your Love" contest and won a pizza lunch courtesy of our Alumni Partners.



2000s

- The DMD Class of 2002 enjoyed a class dinner in Vancouver organized by **Dr. Phoebe Tsang**. The group had a great time and left with their souvenir UBC Dentistry coffee cups!
- 2022 saw a lot of alumni weddings, including **Jennilee Jamison, DMD 2009**, who was surrounded by her classmates!
- Thank you to Drs. **Mark Casafrancisco, DMD 2005**, **Shan Sun, MSc, Dip Peds 2015**, and **John Hung** for supporting the 2022 collaboration course with Sprig for our Grad Pediatric students!



2010s

- Alumnus **Adam Samji, DMD 2015**, a practicing oral maxillofacial surgeon and part-time faculty member, hosted our April Breaking Bread @ Browns student dinner. The dinners have undergone some transition since their inception seven years ago. Still, they remain a favourite activity with the students, providing exposure to a breadth and depth of career paths over dinner in a casual setting. We are currently looking for hosts for 2023!
- On September 1, we welcomed back several alumni as new faculty members: **Diego Ardenghi MSc, Dip Pros 2014**, **Ahmed Hieawy DMD 2013, MSc, Dip Endo 2016**, and **Mohamed Gebriel MSc, Dip Pros 2019**.
- Our Purple Night Dental Hygiene event was attended by faculty alumni **Charandeep Dhami, MSc 2016**, **Diana Lin, MSc 2008**, **Dr. Denise Laronde, MSc 2005**, **Carrie Krekoski, BDSc 2010**, and **Dr. Zul Kanji, MSc 2011**.
- **Victoria Ho, DMD 2011**, and husband Jerry joined our alumni event in Toronto following the ODA in May.



2020s

- **Jordan Krause, DMD 2020**, joined the fun at Nat Bailey Stadium for "Alumni at the Nat."
- **Bob Sun, DMD 2021**, visits with celebrity chef **Vikram Vij** at June's Insights to Savour event.



Toothfairy Gala Supports BC Save a Smile Program

The energy was palpable at the 21st annual Toothfairy Gala, where over 400 people came together to raise \$209,936 for the Save a Smile Program.

This year’s event was held on June 11 at the Fairmont Vancouver and captured an incredible spirit of generosity while reuniting the British Columbia dental community for a great cause. The Save a Smile Program, a partnership between the British Columbia Dental Association and the UBC Faculty of Dentistry, supports BC children in urgent need of dental care, most from low-income families.

Auctioneer extraordinaire Fred Lee helped raise money through the annual cake auction. Seven cakes hit the podium, with a record-high bid of \$26,500 going to a cake created by UBC Dentistry alumnus Dr. Greg Chang, founder of SuperChefs. The eight-layer cake was a piece of art—designed to look like a champagne bottle topper with cascading sugar crystal bubbles and a strawberry and golden buttercream filling.

Many alumni were recognized for their contributions to the field of dentistry, including Dr. Jim Armstrong '85 (Honorary Award), Dr. David Baird '80 (Distinguished Service Award), Dr. Scott Martyna 2012 (Merit Award) and Dr. Ken Chow, UBC Dentistry Faculty member and Alumni Affiliate 2020 (Service Award).

Alumnae and chair of the Save a Smile Program Dr. Angelique Leung, DMD 1988, received a standing ovation for her overview, sharing the impact the Save a Smile Program continues to have on children in BC.

“The Faculty of Dentistry has played a significant role in the development of community programs that benefit children,” said Dr. Leung in her speech. “As healthcare providers, we must continually find ways to champion the needs of this most vulnerable group of youngsters, as they represent the future. With all of you by our side, we can change the path of a child suffering from pain to a much brighter future full of smiles.”

Thank you to the dental community, corporate partners and friends who made this year’s Toothfairy Gala a memorable success!

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SAVE A SMILE PROGRAM

DR. KAVITA MATHU-MUJU

The Save a Smile Program was created in the 1990s by the British Columbia Dental Association (BCDA). In 2009, the BCDA worked with UBC to home the Alec Gunning Save a Smile Endowment Fund at the university. The endowment aligns the goals of supporting oral health care for children in BC from low-income families with student learning opportunities and research initiatives associated with children’s oral health.

For the last 13 years, UBC and the BCDA have come together to fundraise money for Save a Smile through the Toothfairy Gala, the program’s flagship fundraising event.

Dr. Kavita Mathu-Muju is an Associate Professor and the UBC Faculty of Dentistry Save a Smile Program Director. She initially practiced as a general dentist, serving Indigenous communities, and later completed a post-doctoral program in pediatric dentistry. With her research and clinical practice focused on pediatrics, Dr. Mathu-Muju knows first-hand the importance of providing dental care to all children.

“No child should have to suffer from dental disease because they don’t have access to timely dental care,” says Dr. Mathu-Muju. “Save a Smile has been a pioneer in ensuring all children in BC receive the oral healthcare they deserve. UBC Dentistry is proud to be an integral part of this special program and in promoting the interconnection of our students with the community as future oral health care professionals, educators, advocates and researchers.”



A Commitment to Excellence: Celebrating Planmeca

On September 21, there was much excitement among faculty, staff, student representatives, alumni and other UBC collaborators and guests when the Faculty of Dentistry celebrated Planmeca, welcoming special guests from Finland to acknowledge the foundational partnership and inspiring new milestones.

Planmeca—one of the world's leading manufacturers of digital dental units, CAD/CAM solutions, 2D and 3D imaging devices and software solutions—has been a partner of UBC Dentistry since the early 2000s. Several team members flew in from Helsinki, including Senior Vice President Jouko Nykänen, Director of After Sales and University Projects Jussi Ylisaari and Area Export Manager Niko Nissinen. The team was warmly welcomed with a reception to acknowledge the Faculty's gratitude for the company's extreme generosity in support of two new monumental projects.

The first is the company's involvement in the Faculty's creation of a new simulation laboratory—supported by 2020-21 UBC Academic Enhancement Funds and generously named by 123Dentist. This new facility is transformative for our undergraduate oral health programs, enhancing the clinical teaching experience through state-of-the-art learning technology. The facility allows diversity in teaching methodologies, amplifies potential dental research projects and increases community involvement through greater continuing dental education programming. Planmeca held the equipment contract for this new space and gifted over \$2.8 million in equipment and a special educational discount.

The second project involved updating the 144 dental chairs within the Nobel Biocare Oral Health Centre (NBOHC). The NBOHC dental equipment, due to age and high volume use, was experiencing several failures. The upgrade of the entire clinic ensures quality patient care and enhances student educational experiences and compatibility with digital dentistry technologies over the next decade. Planmeca provided a gift of over \$3 million in equipment and special educational pricing so the Faculty could complete the entire upgrade at once. They have demonstrated their strong commitment to dental academic excellence at UBC.

Planmeca's gift is the largest single donation ever made to the Faculty of Dentistry, an amazing achievement and sign of a strong and unwavering partnership.

Dean and Professor Dr. Mary MacDougall unveiled a special tribute to the company for their incredible support over the years—naming the new central dispensary facility in honour of Planmeca. Planmeca provided the Faculty with a sculpture of whooper swans, the Finnish national bird, to mark the occasion. After the presentations, guests toured the new facilities and NBOHC upgrades with DMD and DHDP student volunteers serving as guides.

"The central sterilization facility is at the heart of the clinic, so we felt this was a fitting tribute to Planmeca, who have truly been at the heart of creating the NBOHC and the new simulation laboratory benefitting our students for years to come," says Dean MacDougall. "The Faculty cherishes our shared vision and long-term partnership with Planmeca and look forward to many future collaborations."



Dr. Jessica Rosin Awarded Tier 2 Canada Research Chair

Dr. Jessica Rosin has accomplished a lot in her short time at UBC. Since joining the Faculty of Dentistry as an assistant professor last year, her lab is up and running and she was recently announced as the Tier 2 Canada Research Chair (CRC) in Immune Regulation of Developmental Programs, making history as the first female researcher in the Faculty to hold a Tier 2 CRC position.

"I feel very grateful to have been awarded this chair position!" says Dr. Rosin. "I have colleagues who have held chair positions for several years, and it's something they take a lot of pride in, so I'm excited to be part of this cohort and share in this unique opportunity to advance my research."

Tier 2 CRCs are awarded to exceptional emerging researchers like Dr. Rosin, who are on track to become leaders in their field. The Rosin lab is focused on immune cells and how they communicate with other cells during pregnancy to result in the normal fetal development of the face and brain. The goal is to understand how immune cells contribute to the development of the fetus and how disruptions—such as stress or infection—impact the fetus and potentially lead to developmental disorders.

Once her team has a solid grasp on the role of immune cells in normal fetal development, they plan to study different models of infection that relate to the oral cavity, such as gingivitis. Using animal models, the Rosin lab will look at how maternal periodontal infection affects the development of the fetus' face, brain and future behaviour.

"This area of research is quite new—there is very little data looking at maternal periodontal infection and the impact it can have on the developing fetus," says Dr. Rosin. "The long-term goal is to determine if there is a connection between periodontal infection and disruptions in the developing fetus, which could ultimately improve prenatal care by underscoring the importance of oral healthcare for pregnant women."

Since establishing her lab, Dr. Rosin has been enjoying the collaborative nature of the Faculty of Dentistry. As a foundational researcher, the ultimate goal is for her work to inform clinical practice, a process that requires teaming up with other researchers and practicing dentists.

"I have colleagues who do clinical work, some like myself who do foundational research, and others who do both, and everyone has a great deal of respect for one another which helps foster meaningful collaborations," says Dr. Rosin. "It's such a great community to be a part of, and there's a lot of potential for translating discoveries from the lab into the dental clinic."

Dr. Rosin says she's also been lucky to have several mentors at UBC who have helped make her transition to faculty member—and now Canada Research Chair—easier, including Dr. Joy Richman in Dentistry and UBC neuroscientist Dr. Shernaz Bamji.

"Being a woman in STEM can be challenging, but finding great mentors and staying true to who you are as a person and researcher is so important," says Dr. Rosin. "I'm really looking forward to launching into this next phase of my research career, knowing I'm part of a great team who will support me."



CELEBRATING RESEARCH EXCELLENCE

An important part of a new principal investigator's journey in establishing their research program involves applying for grants. Over the last year, Dr. Rosin has successfully secured an operating grant from NSERC as part of their Discovery Grants competition. The \$152,500 award will support her lab's project, "Characterizing the role CSF1R-expressing cells play in craniofacial development," for the next five years.

Dr. Rosin also received support for her research through the S. Wah Leung Endowment Fund to study the signalling effects of CSF1R-expressing cells in culture. She has secured infrastructural support from CFI's John R. Evans Leaders Fund to purchase a confocal microscope, allowing her lab to visualize immune cell activity using live-cell imaging.

Bring Another to Practice: The Summer Student Practitioner Program



Grace Moore always knew she wanted to work in healthcare, but it was an unexpected opportunity that got her interested in dentistry. While doing her undergraduate degree at UBC Okanagan, a friend asked her to help volunteer at a local dental clinic. Within the week, Grace was hooked—dentistry was the perfect combination of science, creativity and helping people. A native of Red Deer, Alberta, Grace was accepted into several dentistry programs and chose UBC largely because of the opportunity of the Summer Student Practitioner Program (SSPP).

The SSPP, launched in 1982, allows incoming fourth-year students to practice dentistry within approved competencies for up to seven weeks in any community across British Columbia. Participants, receiving a temporary license from the BC College of Oral Health Professionals, are paired by the Faculty with a practicing dentist, allowing them to experience the day-to-day operations and management of a dental practice. The program intends to encourage students to work in more rural communities across the province. Three major donors fund the program—Pacific Dental Conference Trust, CDSPI and Synergy Business Lawyers—providing travel and living expenses for students with placements outside of Metro Vancouver.

During the pandemic, the program was on hiatus but returned this year—44 students completed placements with 88 dentists across BC, with a total of 127 SSPP contracts signed. Grace spent three weeks in Vernon, followed by four weeks in Sparwood, a small town outside Fernie. She also spent three days in Elkford, working alongside Dr. Alastair Nicoll in an emergency room, doing dental work on pediatric patients and patients with complex medical needs.

“Working at the hospital is a completely different setting from a normal undergraduate environment which allowed Grace to learn quite a bit,” says Dr. Nicoll. “I would strongly encourage all students to participate in this program and to think outside the box when they’re looking for placements by seeking opportunities to experience dentistry in an alternate practice setting like the hospital,” says Dr. Nicoll.

For Grace, each of her three placements presented unique ways of participating in dental practice.

“All of my placements gave me the opportunity to learn about time management and patient communication, as well as hands-on skills,” says Grace. “Getting in the repetitions and having one-on-one mentorship is so beneficial. I gained so much confidence by participating in this program.”

During her second placement, Grace was mentored by UBC alum Dr. Kenneth Choi, DMD 2010, at the Sparwood Dental Clinic. Dr. Choi also participated in the SSPP when he was in school and jumped at the chance to give back.

“Having Grace here for the summer was great for both of us—I was able to watch her work and give her pointers throughout the day,” says Dr. Choi. “There were tips and tricks that took me years to learn on the job that I could share with her, which I think was really valuable. Having a young mind around was also motivational for me, and I learned a few things from Grace. I graduated 12 years ago, so there’s always something new to learn.”

Growing up in Vancouver, Dr. Choi’s SSPP placement in Prince George changed the course of his life. He always expected to stay in Vancouver but found he loved the

pace of being in a smaller city. He moved to Sparwood after graduating and has been practicing in this small community ever since.

Grace can relate. Her placements this summer opened her eyes to the possibility of practicing in a more rural location, and she is interested in moving back to Vernon or Sparwood following graduation. She’s also

looking into the possibility of doing fly-in dentistry in remote Indigenous communities.

“Starting my fourth year of school after my summer placements, I noticed such a huge difference in my confidence and approach,” says Grace. “I feel a lot more confident in my judgement and skills thanks to the experience I got this summer which was truly priceless.”

Dentsply Sirona: A Partner in Purpose for More Than a Quarter Century

The UBC Faculty of Dentistry is committed to being a leader in dental education by continually evolving to keep pace with the changing demands of dentistry and emerging technologies. This is no easy feat and one that wouldn’t be possible without support from exceptional partners. For over two decades, Dentsply Sirona has been one such partner. As the world’s largest manufacturer of professional dental products and technology, Dentsply Sirona has been imperative to the advancement of the Faculty.

The relationship started in 1996 when Dentsply Sirona gave its first gift to the Faculty of Dentistry. Since then, the company has made many generous contributions, ranging from student awards to alumni engagement, including supporting the Dental Undergraduate Society, the Faculty’s graduate programs, and the creation of the Dentsply Sirona Award in Endodontics, established in 2018. Dentsply Sirona is also one of eight unique corporate Alumni Partners, demonstrating a commitment to connecting and engaging with students long after they’ve graduated.

Most recently, Dentsply Sirona was involved in developing the new digital dentistry laboratory in the JMB Building. This lab provides students with a highly advanced facility for multidisciplinary learning of new technology and will feature current and emerging digital equipment from Dentsply Sirona.

“Our partnership with UBC Dentistry over the last 26 years has been nothing short of inspiring,” says Julie Amyot, National Manager, Institutions and Government at Dentsply Sirona. “By working together in a collaborative spirit, we’ve been able to enhance student learning and support UBC in having one of the strongest dental programs in the country.”

UBC Dentistry and Dentsply Sirona have elevated dental students’ educational experience over the past 26 years and look forward to continuing a strong partnership.



Elizabeth Fry Clinic Offers Multifaceted Support All Under One Roof

For Clara, receiving affordable oral health care meant she could access treatment and prevent any issues from exacerbating.

"If [the clinic] wasn't for free, honestly, I wouldn't have [come], and I wouldn't know what was going on, so I would have neglected [my mouth], it would have got worse; I would have been in pain, I wouldn't have been able to eat properly," she says.

Clara participated in a 2020 study identifying the perceptions of clients and staff at the Elizabeth Fry Society of Greater Vancouver (EFry) dental hygiene clinic in New Westminster, BC, in hopes of guiding the development of a new clinical space—an innovative approach bringing together team-based primary care, mental wellness, no-cost-to-patient pharmacy, nutrition and dental care all under one roof. Fast forward to 2022, the new [EFry Health Centre](#) is now in the final stages of construction and set to open in January 2023.

The EFry Health Centre spans a purpose-built space on the first floor of a new five-story Rosewood building in Surrey, BC, providing women—and their children—with permanent long-term housing and emergency homeless

shelter beds. The first floor includes a 5,800-square-foot dental clinic that will engage women to invest in health care for themselves and their children.

Drs. Ed Yen and Leeann Donnelly received a \$250,000 UBC Academic Excellence Award in 2016, and alumni partner Sinclair Dental provided a generous gift-in-kind of over \$61,000 for the initial setup of the three operatories in the dental clinic. Thanks to these generous contributions, UBC Dentistry faculty and students will rotate through the clinic, receiving educational instruction and providing restorative, preventive and emergency oral health services to EFry clients.

"With a focus on team-based, wrap-around service, the EFry Health Centre will allow our faculty and students the unique opportunity to experience medical and dental integration, and our research faculty to evaluate the impact on overall health and wellbeing," says Dr. Leeann Donnelly, UBC Dentistry Associate Professor and Director of Community Engagement.

EFry programming supports 3,300 at-risk women, girls and children.



"Incorporating dental care into the EFry Health Centre was key to achieving our goal of offering marginalized women and families access to one-door, whole-person care," says Shawn Bayes, CEO of EFry. "UBC Faculty of Dentistry has a long history of supporting our clients with dental care they otherwise could not access, and we hope this program will be beneficial to everyone involved."

For the past nine years, EFry and UBC Dentistry have partnered to provide preventive oral health services to women and children at risk, recognizing that accessing affordable services in a safe environment can build stable lives and healthy futures for women like Clara and many others. The opportunity to provide comprehensive dental care in collaboration with other health and social care professionals will only increase the partnership's impact.



Research Day 2022

Research Day provides an annual forum highlighting innovative and groundbreaking research through presentations from faculty members, international scientists and our undergraduate and graduate students.

Research Day 2022, themed "Vanquishing Foes: The Haapasalo Method," focused on aspects of endodontic treatments and celebrated Dr. Markus Haapasalo's vast contributions to the field.

The day proved a great success with 517 unique webinars and 200 unique live stream viewers, as well as presentations by several UBC faculty members including Dr. Haapasalo, Dr. Eleni Irinakakis, Dr. Mark Parhar and Dr. Ya Shen. Dr. Anil Kishen from the University of Toronto's Faculty of Dentistry provided the keynote presentation, "Engineered Multifunctional Nanoparticles: New Possibilities for Old Problems in Regenerative Endodontics." Dr. Rick Carvalho, Head of Oral Biological Medical Sciences, served as the event's host.

Dr. Jolanta Aleksejuniene, Director of Graduate and Post-Doctoral Affairs, introduced the Rapid Talks session, which featured eight of our undergraduate and graduate

students: Julia Burgess, Oh Run Kim, Ravdeep Mann, Robin Wintermute, Shivalika Katyal, Mohammad Mahdi Salehi, Mohamed Amhmed and Isra Ibrahim. Each student spent four minutes sharing their informative research projects demonstrating the breadth of research within the Faculty.

The event concluded with the Research Poster Awards Ceremony featuring 37 student competitors. First-place received \$500, second-place received \$250, and third-place \$100. Faculty members from Dentistry and across UBC served as student mentors and judges.

Revisit Research Day 2022, including the student research posters and award winners at dentistry.ubc.ca/researchday.

RESEARCH DAY 2023

Please mark your calendars for **Tuesday, January 24** in the Great Hall at the AMS Nest to celebrate Research Day 2023, where we will explore a broad focus on internal clusters.

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Being a philanthropist expands beyond the gift of money—it is a gift of time, skill, talent and, most importantly, a gift of trust.

The trusted investment from our UBC dental community is essential to our purpose: advancing knowledge and practice in oral and general health through progressive education, innovative research, and service-oriented community engagement. With immense gratitude, I have the privilege of thanking each of you—our alumni, corporate partners and friends of UBC Dentistry—for your ongoing support and commitment.

Over the past year, your donations have directly benefited our students by providing resources for the Faculty to house an exciting new clinical learning space, innovative equipment and leading-edge technology. You have generously given student awards, scholarships and bursaries that recognize academic achievements and leadership while also helping to alleviate some of the financial burden faced by our DHDP, DMD and Graduate Program students. Your support of research provides inspiration and innovation for students and faculty to pioneer advancements in oral and systemic health.

You have contributed as mentors and educators at UBC and have actively participated in community outreach and engagement. You have made a difference. And for that, we cannot thank you enough.

JANE MERLING
Assistant Dean of Development, Alumni and Communications



Congratulations Class of 2022!

On May 26, the Class of 2022 had the opportunity to attend their graduation ceremony in person, followed by a luncheon on June 2, where the Faculty presented recipients with their DMD and DHDP graduation awards. We wish all our graduates every ounce of success as they begin the next chapter of their exciting journey!

DHDP GRADS

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| Sierra Dueck | Claire Sun |
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| Selina He | Jen Worsham |
| Parsa Kazemi | Salena Yadav |
| Oh Run Kim | Sabrina Zeng |

2022 DHDP AWARD RECIPIENTS



Sarah Broen
College of Dental Hygienists of British Columbia Award in Special Care



Denise Cua
Dental Undergraduate Society Award



Puneet Deol
Darlene J. Thomas Memorial Award in Dental Hygiene



Harman Dhillon
Marilyn Dionne Teed Memorial Award



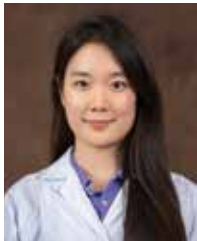
Ashley Dosanjh
College of Dental Hygienists of British Columbia Gold Medal Award



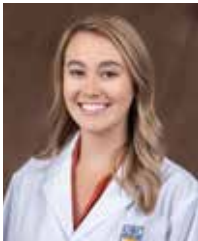
Sierra Dueck
IMPACT of Ten Dental Hygiene Scholarship



Reinjel Escubil
College of Dental Hygienists of British Columbia Award for Professionalism and Ethics



Kim Oh Run
Dental Hygiene Faculty Graduating Award



Bailee Reimer
Hu-Friedy Clinical Proficiency Award



Maria Shaughnessay
W. Jo Gardner Memorial Award in Dental Hygiene



Selena Yadav
BC Dental Hygienists' Association Joan Voris Award of Achievement

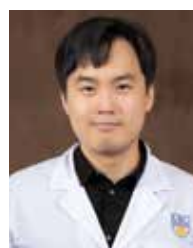


2022 Graduation Luncheon and Awards Presentation

DMD GRADS

Gavin Bains	Aida Mendoza
Harsh Bhatt	Raymond Mo
Rebecca Cameron	Casey Ng
Kelvin Choi	Viviane Nguyen
Dylan Conover	Jennifer Noonan
Hana Darrach-Cottick	Amy Pochanart
Dylan DeMedeiros	Caitlin Pointer
Parveet Dhillon	Kathryn Purdon
Rojin Djavanmardi	Chelsea Reith
Arash Farhadian	Varada Sahasrabudhe
Vincent Fitton	Timothy Sayson
Stella Ge	Erik Schien
Livkaran Gill	Ariel Shao
Dipankar Goyal	Sunny Sohn
Borah Han	Abby Sra
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Amy Kim	Nicole Szulc
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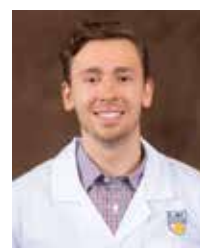
2022 DMD AWARD RECIPIENTS



Kelvin Choi
British Columbia Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Book Award
Canadian Dental Association Student Leadership Award



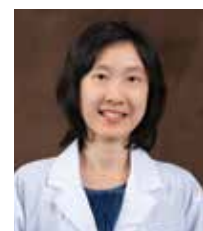
Hana Darrach-Cottick
American College of Dentists Award in Ethics and Professionalism
Dr. Jeanne Craig Sinkford – ADEA Student Leadership Award
The Quintessence Award for Clinical Achievement in Periodontics



Dylan DeMedeiros
American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons 2022 Dental Student Award
American Dental Society of Anesthesiology – Horace Wells Senior Student Award
Roy Sofield Memorial Prize in Dentistry



Dr. Arash Farhadian
Canadian Academy of Pediatric Dentistry
Dr. Irving E. Snider Prize



Dr. Stella Ge
Certificate of Merit in Oral Medicine



Dr. Dee Goyal
Academy of Operative Dentistry Prize
American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology Achievement Award
American Association of Endodontists' Prize



Dr. Gurshawn Heer
The Quintessence Award for Clinical Achievement in Restorative Dentistry



Dr. Jamie Jiang
American Academy of Periodontology Dental Student Award for Achievement in Periodontology



Dr. Cara Lewis
3M Oral Care Student Clinical Award for Excellence



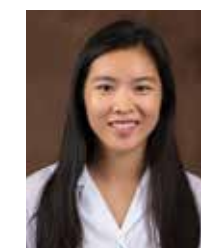
Dr. Jae Won Lim
American Academy of Gold Foil Operators
American College of Prosthodontists Undergraduate Achievement Prize



Dr. Karen Lin
Madaisky & Company Business Lawyers Dentistry Award



Dr. Mary McLay
Prince George and District Dental Society Award in Dentistry



Dr. Casy Ng
Dr. Earl Ellison Prize



Dr. Viviane Nguyen
British Columbia Society of Pediatric Dentists Prize
The CARDP 2021 Dr. E.J. Rajczak Student Scholar Award



Dr. Amy Pochanart
Dr. John Nasedkin Award in Dentistry
American Academy of Orofacial Pain Outstanding Senior Student Award



Dr. Caitlin Pointer
Beavers Dental Bill Scott Prize
British Columbia Society of Endodontists Prize
Vancouver Dental Education Centre Study Group Award



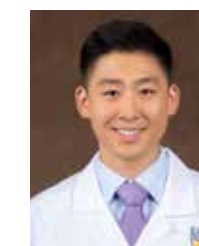
Dr. Kathryn Purdon
Sinclair Dental Community Service Award
Pierre Fauchard Academy Award



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British Columbia Dental Association Dr. K.K. Wan Memorial Award
Dr. Nancy Scott Memorial Award for Outstanding Patient Care in Dentistry



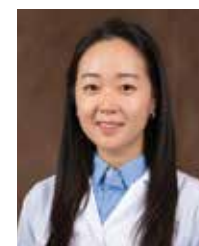
Dr. Varada Sahasrabudhe
Ram Swarup Goel Memorial Prize in Dentistry



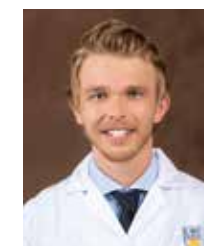
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Patterson Dental Prize



Dr. Erik Schien
Sunstar G.U.M Award for Clinical Proficiency in Advancing the Oral Systemic Link



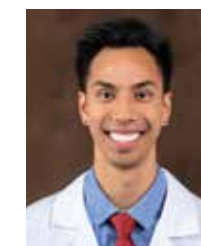
Dr. Sunny Sohn
Graduating Class of Dentistry 1974 Prize



Dr. Ethan Struthers-Lavoie
American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons 2022 Dental Implant Student Award



Dr. Nicole Szulc
Monarch Pediatric Dental Centre Achievement Award
Scotiabank Award in Dentistry
American Academy of Implant Dentistry Dental Student Award



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BITES Institute Prize in Dentistry



Dr. Benny Tang
College of Dental Surgeons of British Columbia Gold Medal Award
American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology Prize
Canadian Academy of Periodontology Award of Excellence
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Dr. Bryan Wang
Max Nacht Memorial Prize in Dentistry

Part-Time Faculty Appreciation

UBC Dentistry is dedicated to progressive dental education to prepare today's students for the community's changing oral health needs. We embrace a hybrid problem-based curriculum highlighting professionalism, student-centred learning, and self-directed study. The clinical aspects of the curriculum emphasize mentorship, demonstration of clinical procedures, and incremental achievement of competency in patient-centred clinics.

To accomplish these educational goals, the Faculty counts on the contributions of dental professionals in the community who are generous enough to serve as part-time faculty members.

Part-time faculty members are general practitioners, specialists, and dental hygienists committed to education, the profession, and the community. They come from across the Lower Mainland, often giving up practice or personal time to fill roles as clinical instructors, clinical educators, small-group learning and community service tutors. They are essential mentors to our students, answering questions, demonstrating procedures, providing feedback, sharing their experiences, and commiserating—they were also students once!

Collectively, these part-time faculty members contribute thousands of hours, and we rely heavily on their contributions to deliver first-class dental training.

Thank you for all that you do for the Faculty!

**UBC Dentistry alumni*

UBC Dentistry is thankful to all who volunteered their time. We apologize if your name was missed.

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DR. WILLIAM (BILL) HADAWAY

Dr. William (Bill) Hadaway, DMD 1971, passed away in August 2022 after a long battle with Alzheimer’s disease.



DR. ALNOOR SOMJI

Dr. Alnoor Somji, DMD 1982, received many awards for excellence in operative and pediatric dentistry. After graduating, he opened Aqua Dental Centre and served the North Vancouver community for over 35 years, with his son Zeeshan joining him after graduating from UBC in 2018.



DR. TERRY KLINE

Dr. Terry Kline, BSc, DDS (Alta.), Cert. Prosth, passed away in May 2022 at the age of 90. He was a valued UBC faculty member for 46 years, inspiring multiple generations of new dentists. After selling his Vancouver prosthodontic practice, he continued to practice in the Faculty’s specialty clinic.



DR. KWESI BAFFOE

Dr. Kwesi Baffoe, DMD 1972, passed away in March 2022. Dr. Baffoe ceased practicing as a dentist in the 1990s after becoming blind. He went on to earn a law degree and two graduate degrees, serving as a lawyer in Indigenous and immigration law.



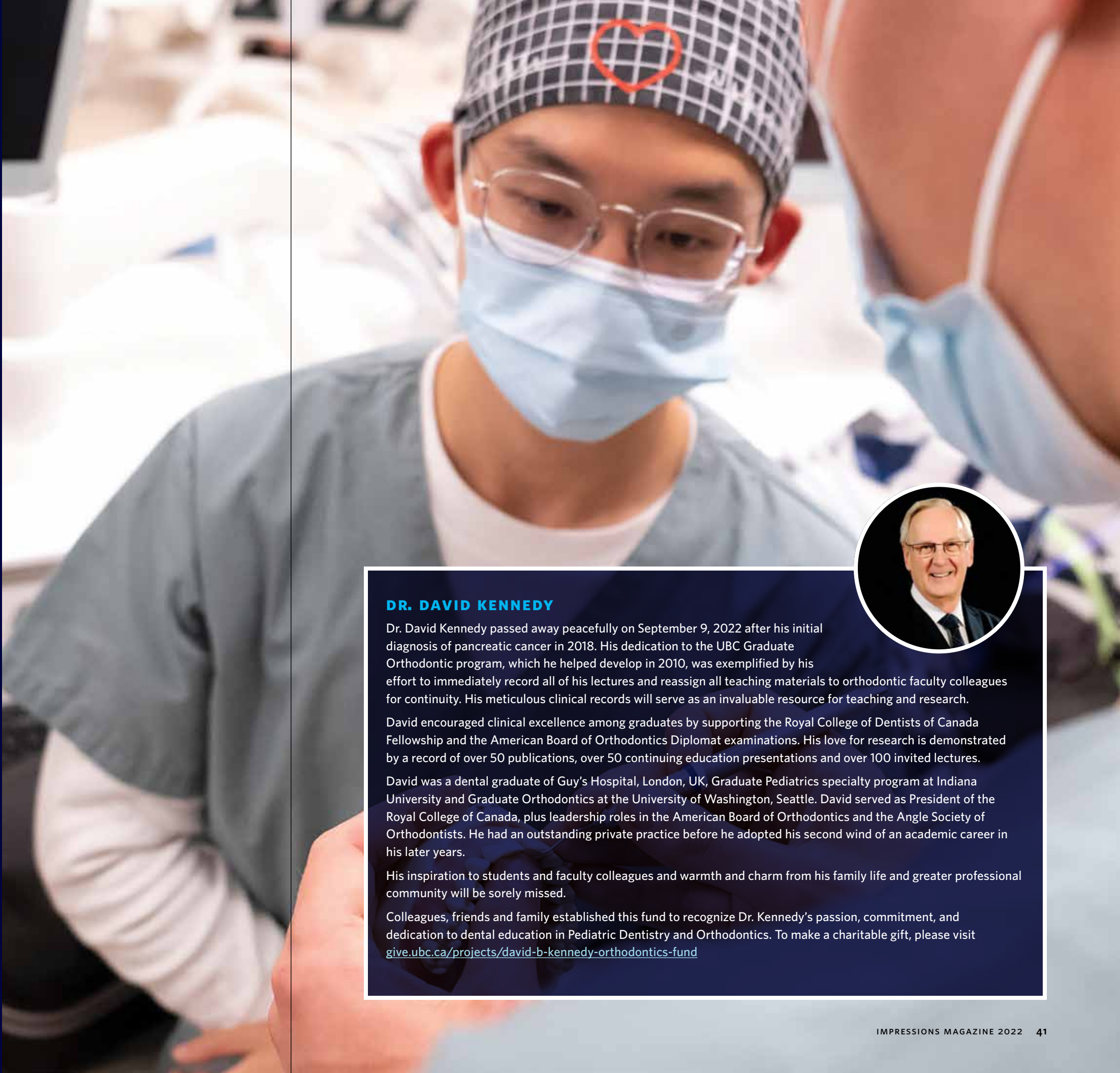
DR. WILLIAM ROSEBUSH

Dr. William Rosebush, DMD 1983, passed away in January 2022. He was a beloved part-time faculty member and part of the alumni band, always participating in the student-led “Battle of the Bands” event.



DR. KEN YAEGAKI

Dr. Ken Yaegaki passed away in November 2021 after a prolonged battle with leukemia, during which he bravely continued his research. Dr. Yaegaki was a Professor and Head of Oral Health at Nippon Dental University and a long-time clinical professor at UBC Dentistry.



DR. DAVID KENNEDY

Dr. David Kennedy passed away peacefully on September 9, 2022 after his initial diagnosis of pancreatic cancer in 2018. His dedication to the UBC Graduate Orthodontic program, which he helped develop in 2010, was exemplified by his effort to immediately record all of his lectures and reassign all teaching materials to orthodontic faculty colleagues for continuity. His meticulous clinical records will serve as an invaluable resource for teaching and research.

David encouraged clinical excellence among graduates by supporting the Royal College of Dentists of Canada Fellowship and the American Board of Orthodontics Diplomate examinations. His love for research is demonstrated by a record of over 50 publications, over 50 continuing education presentations and over 100 invited lectures.

David was a dental graduate of Guy’s Hospital, London, UK, Graduate Pediatrics specialty program at Indiana University and Graduate Orthodontics at the University of Washington, Seattle. David served as President of the Royal College of Canada, plus leadership roles in the American Board of Orthodontics and the Angle Society of Orthodontists. He had an outstanding private practice before he adopted his second wind of an academic career in his later years.

His inspiration to students and faculty colleagues and warmth and charm from his family life and greater professional community will be sorely missed.

Colleagues, friends and family established this fund to recognize Dr. Kennedy’s passion, commitment, and dedication to dental education in Pediatric Dentistry and Orthodontics. To make a charitable gift, please visit give.ubc.ca/projects/david-b-kennedy-orthodontics-fund

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Kiavash Hossini, DMD 2017

Andrew Dawn, DMD 2018

Adam Samji, DMD 2015

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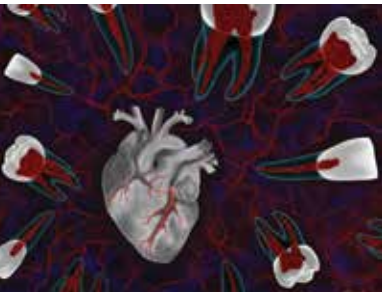
SPRING COURSES

Bone Grafting: Ridge Augmentation and Socket Preservation with Bone Grafting for Future Implant Placement
Drs. Tasso Irinakis and Ali Sadeghi
April 29-30, 2023

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2022 CARDIAC ART COMPETITION

We showcase our first-year dental students' artistic talents each year in the Artodontia competition organized by Dr. Carol-Ann Courneya. The Artodontia competition challenges students to conceptualize the human heart and circulatory system and how they visually relate to oral health.



First Place: "Life line"
Briana Fannin (DMD 2025 candidate)



Second Place: "Hooked on This Heart"
Meghan Luk (DMD 2025 candidate)



Third Place: "Heart as a Rock"
David Do (DMD 2025 candidate)

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