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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Our Mission: To improve oral health in California, the nation, and the world.

Anniversaries encourage us to celebrate the present, reflect on the past, and consider the future. At the UCLA School of Dentistry commencement ceremony on June 4, 2007, we celebrated the 40th anniversary of graduating dentistry's newest leaders. Looking around the school, we can identify so many similar measures of our current success.

The UCLA School of Dentistry is enjoying a long period of financial stability that enables us to provide a secure environment for education and patient care, and address needed improvements to our physical and technological infrastructure. You can read more about our recent upgrades (behind the scenes and front-and-center) in the next two pages of this report.

In our dental student clinics, we are seeing the positive results of having dramatically enhanced efficiency. At the UCLA Dental Center in particular, we are registering a consistent upward trend in the number of new patients and overall patient visits. You can review the statistics in the section of this report that details our clinic operations.

Our research arm also is thriving. As I write this message, noted scientist Dr. Cun-Yu Wang is settling in as our new chair of the Division of Oral Biology & Medicine. And in the research activities section of this report, you can count the number of principal investigators in our midst, and take a look at the many sources of our $12,911,796 in research funding booked in FY 06-07.

On the development front, our Board of Counselors, the Apollonian Society, our alumni, and our longtime friends contribute generously to the School. As partners in our mission, donors make gifts that have an immediate impact on the UCLA School of Dentistry, yet also provide wisely for our future. They realize, for example, that current students need scholarship support today, and that the community needs a larger pediatric dental care facility tomorrow.

Speaking of tomorrow: what will the future bring? Who among our current students may one day become dean of the UCLA School of Dentistry? Who will be the activist who provides the solution for society’s current challenges with regard to access to care? Which of our scientific efforts at the leading edge of dental medicine will yield new methods of diagnosis, prevention and treatment, and transform clinical care here and abroad?

It is exciting to anticipate the future happenings as I do when I walk into the building each morning. Thinking about the future is what energizes me.

I can only imagine that it energized our founding dean, Dr. Reidar Sognnaes, as well. I wonder if he dared to hope for the success that the UCLA School of Dentistry has achieved in a little more than four decades. I think he did. He surrounded himself with committed people of talent—and that is where I find myself now. And so it is hardly bold of me to imagine how much greater this school will become in the next forty years.

Sincerely,

No-Hee Park, D.M.D., Ph.D.
Dean
The State of the School

Continued Financial Stability in an Era of Dwindling State Support

For nearly a decade, the UCLA School of Dentistry has benefited from a period of continuous financial stability even in the face of dwindling state support. It may, in fact, be more accurate to say that the University of California system is state-assisted rather than state-supported.

When we review the changes in the School’s financial picture between the time that the Class of 2007 entered and graduated, the numbers tell a profound story. When our most recent graduates began the four-year D.D.S. program in FY 03-04, state funds covered about 32 percent of the costs of running the School (total expenditures). By the time these students became new dentists in FY 06-07, state monies helped the School meet only 26 percent of its total expenditures.

The upward trend in the cost to operate the School and the downward trend in state support is expected to continue. Each passing year, the School relies more on winning contracts and grants, collecting student fees, and generating revenues through Continuing Education and the faculty dental practices in order to run its many education, research, patient care and public service programs. In addition, gifts and endowments from individuals and organizations play an increasingly critical role in helping the School meet its bottom line. Successful grant applications, prudent financial management, and a concerted development effort to build a permanent endowment—these are key both to the near-term operation of the School and its future.

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Upcoming Projects from the Information Technology Group

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A New Look for Some Oft-Used Spaces

More Clinic, More Care, More Smiles

Thanks to the generosity of longtime UCLA School of Dentistry friends and donors, the Wilson and Bloomfield families, the Wilson-Jennings-Bloomfield UCLA Venice Dental Center is undergoing a dramatic transformation. On February 21, 2007, Bob Wilson and Peggy Bloomfield, under the auspices of The Wilson Family Foundation, Inc., broke ground on a clinic expansion and renovation project. Designed by local architecture firm M)Arch., specialists in branded design, the renovated building will provide space for seven new operatories in an expanded pediatric dentistry practice that will house the School’s new community-based pediatric dentistry residency program. The new clinic will make it possible for the UCLA School of Dentistry to do even more to fulfill its mission to improve the oral health of the people of California. For years to come, many thousands of area residents, from infants to the elderly, will turn to UCLA in Venice for comprehensive dental health care.

Renovated Third Floor Lab the Home of New Chair of the Division of Oral Biology & Medicine

Until 2005, Room 33-030 was a 2,225-square-foot-space that functioned as a dental techniques lab. Its comprehensive renovation marks one of the few total lab remodels since the original construction of the School of Dentistry. The area was thoroughly demolished (including all ductwork, dental utilities, and benches) and extensive environmental abatement procedures were performed to make way for a truly 21st Century lab, hopefully the first of many to come throughout the School. The design for the new lab integrated many of the building and engineering concepts now considered fundamental in the various newly constructed research spaces on campus. In particular, special attention was paid to improving the access to utilities and technology, and accounting for future growth in their use.

The new lab provides a spacious work environment for scientists and an office for Dr. Cun-Yu Wang, the newly recruited chair of the Division of Oral Biology & Medicine. Pendant lighting enhances the working conditions at the clear maple lab benches. Sixteen separate work stations enjoy access to natural light. The lab looks out over a prime view of the Mathias Botanical Garden and the main entrance to the UCLA Dental Center. All in all, it is a modern and intellectually stimulating new space of which the School of Dentistry can be proud.
The 06-07 academic year was positive and productive for the Office of Student Affairs. The UCLA School of Dentistry continues to attract a highly qualified, diverse, and talented student body, making it a privilege to provide exemplary student services and to coordinate the major events that celebrate milestones and achievements. In addition to demonstrating academic and clinical excellence, our students make significant contributions in the areas of class leadership, service on school committees, organized dentistry, teaching, research, and community outreach. Please join us for a review of the year’s major events and an opportunity to meet some of our amazing students as they contribute to professionalism, collegiality, and morale at the School.

Admissions
In September we welcomed the Class of 2010. Admission to the School remains highly competitive, with nearly 1,800 applicants for the 88 positions in the entering class. The theme of our admissions, recruitment, and outreach efforts, “UCLA School of Dentistry: Choice, Challenge, and Commitment to Professional Development,” has been very successful in attracting an impressive group of students with a variety of educational backgrounds, life experiences, and professional goals.

Welcoming International Dentists
Since 2002, UCLA’s Professional Program for International Dentists (PPID) has offered an intensive, two-year advanced standing program to foreign-trained dentists. Graduates receive a D.D.S. degree from UCLA and become eligible to test for licensure in the United States. Following a rigorous orientation curriculum during the summer quarter, PPID students join traditional dental students in third-year courses and are fully integrated into the four-year D.D.S. program. Eleven PPID students graduated with the Class of 2007 in June. The PPID admissions committee admitted 13 students from five continents to the Class of 2009.

White Coat Ceremony
The highlight of orientation week was the annual White Coat Ceremony on September 14, 2006. At this event, the incoming students received a white coat as a gift from the Apollonian Society, the dental school alumni support group, and recited the dental student’s pledge before a large assembly of proud family, friends, and faculty members.

All-School Picnic
The Associated Student Body-sponsored All-School Picnic was held November 4, 2006 at Sunset Canyon Recreation Center. This event offers an opportunity for the entire dental school family of students, faculty, staff, and alum to get together for food, fun, and games. Our long-standing tradition of having the faculty grill the hamburgers and hotdogs while the students organize the games, including the fiercely competitive pie-eating contest, once again proved a wise division of responsibilities and a huge success.

The Asahi-UCLA-Meikai Dental Exchange Program
A highlight of the year for several third-year students was the academic and cultural exchange program in association with two dental schools in Japan. During summer quarter, UCLA students played host to two Japanese faculty members and ten dental students eager to learn as much as possible about life and dentistry in the U.S. Then, during spring break, ten UCLA students and two faculty members traveled to Japan where they spent their time visiting the dental schools at Asahi University in Gifu and Meikai University in Tokyo and touring historical and cultural sites.

Talent Show
Back by popular demand, the School of Dentistry Talent Show played to a full house of students, faculty, staff, and family members April 18, 2007. Produced by the Class of 2009, the program provided lively entertainment by talented musicians, vocalists, dancers, and stand-up comedians. The panel of judges had tough decisions to make to select the winner of the competition, Valerie Majano, Class of 2010, an impressive salsa dancer.

Scholarship Ceremony
The annual Scholarship Ceremony was held April 25, 2007 to honor the students who received scholarship support during the past year. A total of 66 students were recognized with awards in the areas of scholarship, leadership, community service, clinical excellence, and professional promise. Honored guests included many of the benefactors whose generosity made these scholarships possible.

OKU Banquet
Epsilon Zeta Chapter, the UCLA chapter of Omicron Kappa Upsilon, the national dental honor society, held its annual banquet
May 17, 2007. Twelve students from the Class of 2007 were honored with alumni membership: Vasag Bouzoghlanian, Megan Rustad, Dheepa Jagadeesan, Chia-Lun Tsao, DanThanh Fields, Shivani Shah, Karen Potter, Jared Corbridge, Gilda Torossian, Melissa Chin, Daniel Gill, and Solomon Poyourow. Raquel Ulma, Class of 2008, received the prestigious Kramer Award.

Awards Ceremony and Senior Banquet
The Awards Ceremony and Senior Banquet in honor of the graduating Class of 2007 was held June 1, 2007 at the beautiful Riviera Country Club in Pacific Palisades. The awards recognized achievement in diverse areas including scholarship, leadership, clinical excellence, community service, and research activity. A highlight of this event was the presentation of twelve Dean's Medals for honors at graduation—ten for academic achievement and two for leadership contributions. In a special speech to the School's historic 40th graduating class, Dr. Stuart White, a member of the inaugural Class of 1968, shared some of his personal and professional insights.

The awards ceremony was followed by a reception and banquet. During the banquet, the class leaders entertained the audience with an innovative slide show and presented awards of appreciation to faculty and staff members who contributed in special ways to their educational experience at UCLA.

Commencement
The 2007 commencement ceremony was held June 4 in Royce Hall. The keynote speaker was Dr. Gerald Levey, vice chancellor for medical sciences and dean of the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. Dr. Marvin Marcus, professor and chair of the division of public health and community dentistry, was honored as distinguished faculty of the year, and Mr. Jae Min Chang was recognized as an important supporter of the UCLA School of Dentistry.

Congratulations to the 98 D.D.S. graduates in the Class of 2007! We wish all of them great success and happiness as they continue their professional journeys. Of note, nearly half of these talented new dentists plan to enter a specialty program and another quarter of the class will pursue advanced training in general dentistry.

Not to be outdone, the postdoctoral students also made a strong showing at graduation. Forty-one residency certificates were awarded, and 12 oral biology graduate students received degrees–3 Ph.D.s and 9 M.S. degrees were conferred this year.

Photos left to right, opposite page: The Class of 2010 at their White Coat Ceremony; Dental students Rona Hojatmehr and Veronica Gonzalez at the 2007 scholarship ceremony; longtime School of Dentistry supporter Mr. Ralph Shapiro at the scholarship ceremony. Photos left to right, this page: Asahi-UCLA-Meikai dental exchange students enjoy the cherry blossoms in Japan; Valerie Majano '10 accepts her First Place trophy from Keith Cowhey in the revived student talent competition.

The Class of 2010 at a Glance

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Honors
7 graduated Summa Cum Laude
8 graduated Magna Cum Laude
18 graduated Cum Laude

DAT Averages
Academic Average 22
PAT 20
Total Science 22
Leadership

At the UCLA School of Dentistry, we don’t just produce fine dentists—we graduate dentistry’s newest leaders. Actually, it might be more accurate to say that we admit naturally-born leaders, encourage them to hone their skills during their time here with us, and then send them out into the world ready to fill prominent positions in organized dentistry and their communities.

Leadership begins at home. Each year, a small group of students is selected to participate in the Dean’s Leadership Institute, an intensive ten-week seminar devoted to professional development.

We are pleased that our students play vital roles in School operations. We value their input on the admissions, student performance and marketing committees. Students are active in class government, in UCLA campus government, and in groups such as the Hispanic Dental Student Association. Our enterprising students publish the award-winning Diastema News and launched our first-ever publication for dental student research, The Explorer.

On a national level, our students hold positions in the American Student Dental Association and lobby on policy issues of interest to dental professionals. They also participate in the meetings of the American Dental Education Association where they play a hand in shaping the future of dental education.

We are proud of our students’ commitment to their own personal and professional development. They continue the UCLA tradition of serving as fine clinicians, academicians, and leaders.
CLA dental students have four years in which they are expected to ingest massive amounts of information and master innumerable clinical skills. Somehow, they also find the energy and the time to demonstrate leadership in their chosen profession and give back to the community as volunteers.

During academic year 06-07, 72 percent of the fourth-year dental students volunteered at community health fairs under the supervision of Drs. Nancy Reifel and Vladimir Spolsky. Students made their annual Thanksgiving appearance at the Santa Monica Civic Center, delivered holiday spirit to the Big Brothers, Big Sisters group, and participated in the national event Give Kids a Smile Day. Our students also volunteered at South Central Care, Common Ground and the Special Olympics. In addition, students and residents alike joined faculty for trips to Ensenada, Mexico where surgeons performed life-changing cleft lip and palate procedures.

Community service is a required part of the curriculum at the School of Dentistry, yet for many of our students it is much more than that. It can be a way to share their newfound oral health knowledge and exercise their burgeoning dental skills. It can also be a way to express their feelings of community responsibility and altruism. Some of our students will make it the focus of their careers to provide oral health care to disadvantaged communities. We hope all graduates make volunteerism a steady habit of their professional lives.

We feel confident that the Class of 2007 will make an ongoing commitment to community service. Eighty-four percent of the class exceeded the minimum graduation requirement of 8 units of service credit. The students who made the greatest contribution to community service activities were:

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Photos left to right, opposite page: Dean No-Hee Park presents a certificate to Ryan Plewe; The 06-07 Dean’s Leadership Institute: (standing) Jake Cragun, Jared Lee, Dean No-Hee Park, William Traynor, Brian Houldberg, Morris Poole, Sean Young, Kevin Omoto, Ryan Plewe, and (seated) Naomi Nguyen, Lori Watkins, Dr. Ronald Mito, Asha Sethu-Madhavan, and Cristen Dismuke; Drs. Carol Bibb, Karen Lefever and Gilda Torossian ’06 at ADEA; Bryan Houldberg ’08 at ADEA; Karen Potter ’07 receives the Outstanding Student Leader Award from the American College of Dentists; Natalie Nguyen ’08, leader of the Student Marketing Selective for 06-07. Photos left to right, this page: Students and faculty supervisors Drs. Karen Lefever and Michelle Rappeport participate in a Thanksgiving health fair; A dental student instructs a child how to brush a monster’s teeth; A Nara Bank branch; Inside, dental students screen a member of the local Korean-American community.
DDS DEGREE RECIPIENTS

Sherry S. Ahmadi
Tina Marie Beck
Stephen Robert Black
Vasag H. Bouzoghlanian – Cum Laude
Muzaffer Melinda Cakir
Heena J. Chandra
Carolina Chapellin
Tiffany Pui-Shan Chau
Wei-Kuo Chen
Melissa Ann Chin
Julio E. Chinchilla
Brandon C. Chiu
Jae Yong Choi
Victor L. Chu
Grace Yoon Mi Chung
Edna Turla Concepcion
Jared Kimble Corbridge – Cum Laude
Marian Daoud
Rebecca Dayanim
Jessica Rene De Bord
Kausalya Dhandapani
Riley Edwards
Elizabeth May Estrada
Mary Feehart
DanThanh Hoang Nguyen Fields
Joanne Karla Ellorin Gabot
Yana Gedarevich
Daniel John Gill – Cum Laude
Elaine Gorelik
Lukasz Artur Gorski
Ashley Claire Guinn
Daniel Hemmati
Elsa Wendy Hernandez
Nahal Heyrani
Isaac Brian Howard
Dheepa Jagadeesan – Magna Cum Laude
Grace HeeKyong Kang-Lee
Saloumeh (Sally) Kashani
Binita Chatur Katheria
Soomin Richard Kim
Christopher T. Lai
Gary Lau
Linda Hyunjung Lee
Samuel Sung-Jae Lee
Sue Y. Lee
Teresa J. Lee
Brett Peter Lent
Ying Lu
Adam R. Manfredo
Joshua R. McCormick
Mindy Miyeko Misawa
Shervin Mathew Molyeum
Chalise Michelle Morgan
Paulencia LaJoi Morris
Aivan Hoang Nguyen
Amy Pham Nguyen
Eriq Frances-Quan Nguyen
Ha Thu Thi Nguyen
Trang T. Nguyen
Hannah Elizabeth Oh
Linda Chinedu Onyeador
Frank Giavanni Pastore
Jennifer Danielle Perkins
Tina Trinh Thuy Pham
Karen Suzanne Potter – Summa Cum Laude
Solomon Poyourow – Cum Laude
Allen Richard Rapolla II
Diana Reyes
Norma Reyes
Robert Chad Rowan
Megan Kaija Rustad – Cum Laude
Deyanira Sanchez
Raphael Separzadeh
Sahar Shafi
Shivani Mukesh Shah – Cum Laude
Jossein Shahangian
Sundeed Kaur Shergill
Melissa Shing
Prathip Sivaprakasam
John Snowden
Karla Fabiola Solis
Kayla Song
Shaneli Sun
Samuel Sunghoon Tchon
Rebecca Ellen Theurer
Joanna Tong
Gilda Torossian – Cum Laude
Phong Tran Cao
Thien (Sam) Hai Trang
Collin G. Tsai
Chia-Lun Tsao – Cum Laude
Ghazal Vala
Shweta Verma
Rouzbeh Vossoughi
Charles Wang
Joshua Atash Yadegar
Daniel Kyu Yang
Neda Zarabian
Photos left to right: Dr. Gerald Levey; Dean Park and Mr. Jae-Min Chang; Melissa Chin, class president; New dentists; Drs. Sara Ghamegahami, Todd Pacosfky, Matthew Davis and Dino Del Fierro; Dean Park with Class of ’68 members Drs. Morton Feldbaum, Bruce Molen, and Robert Pike; Edna Concepcion and family.
40 years of graduating dentistry’s newest leaders.

Immediate Future Plans of D.D.S. Class of 2007

98 Students Pursuing:
- Private Practice
- General Dentistry Residency
- Orthodontics Residency
- Pediatric Dentistry Residency
- Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residency
- Periodontics Residency
- Prosthodontics Residency
- Endodontics Residency

A Proven Track Record of Developing Lifelong Learners

MS DEGREE RECIPIENTS
- James Aaron Kelly
- Hao-Fu Lee
- Brett Peter Lent
- Mita Naveen Jethwani
- Trang Thuy Nguyen
- Hyun Jung Park
- Sheldon Kelvin Salins
- Nichole Hong Sun
- Wendy Yang

PHD DEGREE RECIPIENTS
- Tara Lyn Aghaloo
- Schryl Duadico Castaneda
- Lin Zhu

RESIDENCY CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS
- Advanced Education
  - Advanced Education in General Dentistry - Venice
  - Bryan Abrams
  - Laurie Kane
  - Daniel Francisco Mego
  - Chau Thai-Minh Ngo
  - Sally Salomeh Yousefi
- Advanced Prosthodontics
  - James Aaron Kelly
  - Pamela Marie Maraglino
- Dental Anesthesiology
  - Brian Chien-Nan Huang
- Endodontics
  - Joy Angelique Rivero
  - Vladimir V. Shuster
  - Jason Gilbert Wong
- General Practice Residency
  - Joseph Danesh
  - Lyla A. Gazarian Boustani
  - Otabor Enata Okundaye
  - Noriko Satake
  - Dana Diane Yee
- Maxillofacial Prosthetics
  - Devin Louise Stewart
  - Bhavani Venkatachalam
- Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
  - Steven Barry Kupferman
  - Benjamin Walline
- Oral And Maxillofacial Surgery Internship
  - William C. Kenner V
- Orofacial Pain & Dysfunction
  - Hyung Tack Kim
- Orthodontics
  - James Chun-Jen Huang
  - Hyun Jung Park
  - Sheldon Kelvin Salins
  - Nichole Hong Sun
- Pediatric Dentistry
  - Matthew John Davis
  - Dino Baltazar Del Fierro
  - Sara Ghaemmaghami
  - Giancarlo Antonio Lauriente
  - Todd Webster Pacofsky
- Periodontics
  - Leshin Chen
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98 Students Pursuing:
- Private Practice
- General Dentistry Residency
- Orthodontics Residency
- Pediatric Dentistry Residency
- Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residency
- Periodontics Residency
- Prosthodontics Residency
- Endodontics Residency

Advanced Education
- In General Dentistry - Venice
  - Bryan Abrams
  - Laurie Kane
  - Daniel Francisco Mego
  - Chau Thai-Minh Ngo
  - Sally Salomeh Yousefi

Advanced Prosthodontics
- James Aaron Kelly
- Pamela Marie Maraglino

Dental Anesthesiology
- Brian Chien-Nan Huang

Endodontics
- Joy Angelique Rivero
- Vladimir V. Shuster
- Jason Gilbert Wong

General Practice Residency
- Joseph Danesh
- Lyla A. Gazarian Boustani
- Otabor Enata Okundaye
- Noriko Satake
- Dana Diane Yee

Maxillofacial Prosthetics
- Devin Louise Stewart
- Bhavani Venkatachalam

Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
- Steven Barry Kupferman
- Benjamin Walline

Oral And Maxillofacial Surgery Internship
- William C. Kenner V

Orofacial Pain & Dysfunction
- Hyung Tack Kim

Orthodontics
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At the UCLA School of Dentistry, we consistently strive for diversity, and achieve it, in many different ways.

Did you know that there were only two women in the UCLA School of Dentistry’s first graduating class in 1968 and that one of them, Margaret Pan, was valedictorian? Naturally, today’s classes are more evenly balanced between the genders. In recent years, our incoming classes have been comprised of 88 students from 10 or more states. The class ranks swell to 100 in the third year of dental school when we welcome a dozen international dentists seeking U.S. education and licensure.

Some of our students have bachelor’s degrees. Others have Ph.D.s. Many of our students chose undergraduate majors in the sciences. Each year, however, we admit several who have humanities and social science degrees. Some are classically trained pianists. One current student is a former policeman. We think these facts and figures make for interesting conversation. We know they make for an invigorating learning environment. In the classroom, in the clinics and in the community, our students bring their diverse backgrounds and strengths to the table to help each other and their patients.

This doesn’t go unnoticed. In April, Dr. Bruce Sanders was invited to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. There, he spoke to admissions officers from several dental schools involved in the Robert Wood Johnson and California Endowment Dental Pipeline Grant on the topic of challenges related to achieving diversity in the admissions process.

Our ongoing outreach efforts are one of the ways in which we sustain our diversity. Each year, we join efforts with the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA to administer SMDEP, or the Summer Medical Dental Education Program. We also reach out to the University of California San Diego which does not have a dental school but which does produce students who possess an excellent foundation in the sciences. Maleka Johnson, a UCSD graduate who learned about UCLA through the pre-dental society on that campus, will start dental school here in the fall.

The UCLA Post-Baccalaureate Program completed its fourth year in 06-07. The post-bacc students received one-on-one mentorship, enrolled in science courses, prepared for the DAT, and participated in intense mock admissions interviews. All these activities are designed to help a small group of promising individuals improve their standing as potential dental school applicants, and they are working. First-year student and former post-bacc Valerie Majano is not only doing well in her studies, she won first place in the talent show with her marvelous display of salsa dancing. Another post-bacc, Hector Godoy, was admitted to our first-year class, and Adelle Newel, whose post-bacc studies in New Orleans were interrupted by Hurricane Katrina, will be attending Howard University School of Dentistry in the fall.

Perhaps the most exciting outreach and diversity news this year was the announcement that UCLA was the only dental school awarded a Howard Hughes Medical Institute 2007 Biomedical Research Institutions Initiative Grant. Beginning September 2007, the School will implement an extensive pre-college science education program to introduce gifted high school juniors and seniors from disadvantaged backgrounds to careers in oral health and scientific research.

We are eagerly anticipating the arrival of the Class of 2011, perhaps our most diverse to date. The D.D.S. admissions committee was pleased to receive more than 1900 applications this past year from students from institutions including Harvard, Princeton, Dartmouth, MIT, the U.S. Naval Academy and the U.S. Air Force Academy. In all, 955 men and 788 women sought to become UCLA dental students. From this diverse and talented group we assembled a student body that will enrich each other, the UCLA community, and the profession.

There is no typical UCLA student. There is only an appetite for excellence.
ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Robert Lindemann, DDS, MS, MAEd
Associate Dean of Academic Programs & Personnel
Karen Lefever, MA, MS, PhD
Academic Coordinator

At UCLA, we launch promising careers in dental medicine with several academic degree programs including the Doctor of Dental Surgery (D.D.S.), the M.S. and Ph.D. in oral biology, the combined D.D.S./M.S., D.D.S./Ph.D. and D.D.S./M.B.A., and thirteen postdoctoral specialty training programs. Academic programs including the Dr. Susumu Miyata Educational and Cultural Exchange and the Dean’s Leadership Institute enhance students’ intellectual experience.

Curriculum Reform
Academic reform of the predoctoral curriculum continued through 06-07. At the fall faculty retreat, each of the six content theme groups, Cariology, Periodontal Disease, Oral and Systemic Disease, Restoration of Form and Function, Dental Practice, and Growth and Development, met several times and presented the reports of their deliberations to the full faculty. Students, residents and faculty have spent the year elaborating and operationalizing these themes with the goals of:

1. Improving integration of basic and clinical sciences;
2. Promoting an evidence-based culture that fosters lifelong learning;
3. Adopting more effective use of technology to enhance and deepen the educational experience;
4. Increasing flexibility in scheduling to facilitate advanced clinical experience;
5. Developing increased leadership and research opportunities during the D.D.S. course of study.

Highlights of the academic reform process this year included the adoption of ANGEL, a Web-based course management system. Another highlight this year was the presentation of the Cariology curriculum by the committee chair, Dr. Edmond Hewlett. Dr. Hewlett and his colleagues have proposed nothing less than a paradigm shift—an approach that borrows from medical management to treat caries as an infectious, transmissible and yet preventable disease. Future students will learn restorative dentistry in the context of a continuum of caries management interventions.

Mentoring Future Dental Educators
Under the guidance of Drs. Carol Bibb and Karen Lefever, UCLA continues to be a leader in programs directed at developing future dental educators and education researchers. The emphasis is on actively involving potential academicians in the real-life activities of dental faculty: didactic and laboratory teaching, chairside teaching/mentoring in the clinic, and conducting educational research.

One professional development opportunity is the seminar course “Apprentice Teaching for Future Dental Educators” which challenges fourth-year D.D.S. students to design, develop and deliver a lecture, exam and course evaluation to the incoming first-year dental students. To prepare for the experience during summer workshop sessions, the student teachers review research on learning, curriculum development, and assessment as they create their materials. Feedback from participants in this course underscores the value of this training in residency teaching and community presentations. Dr. Nate Gerodias ’03, a faculty member in pediatric dentistry at UCSF, is the first graduate of the apprentice teaching selective to enter academia in a full-time position. Dr. Stacey Woo, Class of 2005, is another success story in the making. She was one of our student teachers and is now a restorative instructor while she works on her Ph.D. in oral biology. We look forward to others joining them as they complete their residencies and Ph.D. programs.

Another teaching opportunity for students is the Basic Dental Principles (BDP) course, originally developed by Dr. Jennifer Crowe, UCLA ‘06, OHSU Ortho ’08. The course is a teaching elective for dental students and a lecture series for undergraduates interested in dentistry.

This year, more than 60 undergraduates from UCLA (and other area schools) and 19 students prepared lectures on such topics as oral health instruction, dental infections, implants, pharmacology, pain management, craniofacial anomalies, radiology and dental specialties. They also instructed the undergraduates in lab sessions doing Class II amalgam or composite preps. The course culminated in a poster session for the undergraduates. The 06-07 BDP course was directed by Amy Tran ’08 and Brandon Seto ’08. The dental student teachers were mentored by fourth-year students Danny Hemmati, Jonathan Miller, Jennifer Perkins, Sol Poyourow and Gilda Torossian, prior BDP participants and leaders. Many members of the dental faculty also served as content advisors.

Interest in teaching, academic careers and education research is also fostered by the ADEA-sponsored Student Teaching Group that organizes meetings and promotes research on teaching and other educational topics. In 06-07, 16 students presented education-based posters at ADEA, I/AADR and CDA. Kevin Andrus, Jared Lee and Chad Rowan received an award for the best educational research poster at I/AADR for their work on student input to the curriculum reform process. Amy Tran, Brandon Seto, Kristen Lowe and Eddie Surger represented UCLA in the final round at CDA in Anaheim and received an honorable mention for their poster presenting an evaluation of the BDP course after three years.

Photo above: Drs. Carol Bibb, Karen Lefever and Robert Lindemann are honored by the students from the 06-07 Basic Dental Principles course.
These are just some of the comments from first-year dental students who began using the ANGEL course management system in fall 2006. ANGEL allows faculty to manage their courses with online distribution of the syllabus, assignments, readings, and lecture notes. Professors can offer virtual office hours, and they can engage students online with learning material such as case studies. By using ANGEL's chat rooms, whiteboard, and instant messaging functions, student groups can work collaboratively to solve problems and comment on each other's solutions.

Under the direction of Dr. Susan Haake in her role as director of knowledge management, the roll-out of ANGEL began with the first-year students in gross anatomy and the second-year students in systemic pathology. Both classes responded very positively to the friendliness of the ANGEL interface and the different ways of learning that were made possible by using it.

Each student has his/her own ANGEL page that can be personalized with a calendar, task lists, an online journal, and even theme colors and icons. But does it promote learning? The students say yes in their course evaluations and comments. Current research on learning emphasizes the value of a diverse set of presentation tools such as written material, pictures, diagrams and video clips in making learning more productive and efficient. ANGEL's flexibility allows each student to use the tool that provides the best results for him/her. Meanwhile, faculty appreciate the ease with which they can contact students, monitor progress, give tests and provide results with commentary.

Currently, Mary Tawfall, knowledge management facilitator, has assisted faculty in developing online materials for about 70 percent of first- and second-year courses. The goal is to have all School of Dentistry courses available to the students through this innovative and flexible learning system. It's just one of the ways in which UCLA is leading the field of 21st Century dental education.

**Connecting to the UCLA Louise M. Darling Biomedical Library**

Libraries have emerged as important contributors to knowledge management—that is, acquiring, organizing and making information available for use in appropriate formats. In their use of ANGEL, professors at the School of Dentistry have developed a growing partnership with the staff of the Biomedical Library. Andrea Lynch and Rikke Ogawa are librarians who are designated to assist the faculty of the School of Dentistry as they explore new ways of presenting course content to students. In the spring quarter, Andrea and Rikke presented “Best Practices: Online Materials in Teaching,” a seminar about enhancing course presentations with a variety of online resources. The positive reception to this lunchtime event has stimulated planning for similar events in the fall and winter quarters of the coming academic year.
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Dr. Steven Graff-Radford to Adjunct Professor (Removable Prosthodontics)

Dr. Neal Garrett to Professor (Removable Prosthodontics)

Dr. Susan Haake to Professor (Periodontics)

Dr. Diana Messadi to Professor (accelerated to Periodontics, Oral Medicine & Orofacial Pain)

Dr. Aria Davodi to Adjunct Associate Professor (Removable Prosthodontics)

Dr. Gregory Prince as Adjunct Professor (accelerated to Oral Biology)

Dr. Yong Kim as Adjunct Assistant Professor (Oral Biology)

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Academic Appointments

- Dr. Niki Ghaem-Maghami as Assistant Clinical Professor (Removable Prosthodontics)
- Dr. Yong Kim as Adjunct Assistant Professor (Oral Biology)
- Dr. Gregory Prince as Adjunct Professor (Oral Biology)
- Dr. Kumar Shah as Assistant Clinical Professor (Oral Biology)
- Dr. Evelyn Chung to Associate Clinical Professor (Hospital Dentistry & Medicine)
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Our faculty go well beyond dispensing knowledge; They create it.
Marvin Marcus

Marvin Marcus, DDS, MPH, is professor and chair of the division of public health and community dentistry at the UCLA School of Dentistry. He also holds the titles of professor of health services at UCLA School of Public Health, and director of the International Center for Dental Health Policy. A graduate of Brooklyn College with a degree in chemistry, he received his D.D.S. degree from New York University School of Dentistry in 1963. Dr. Marcus served as Lieutenant in the U.S. Navy Dental Corps from 1963 to 1965. He earned a Master’s of Public Health in 1969 from Columbia University School of Public Health and Administrative Medicine, after which he received a Public Health Service Fellowship and served as a dental care consultant for the U.S. Public Health Service. Marcus joined the faculty of the UCLA School of Dentistry in 1970.

Marcus is known nationally for his contributions to public health dentistry, he is a creative teacher, and he is a gifted administrator. Over the course of his career, he has had a major impact on the School through his vision and achievements as faculty member and division chair. His dedication to the School and University is evident from his many contributions to our education and research programs and particularly his commitment to community oral health at the grassroots level. His consistent scholarship and his ability to obtain funding for his work benefit both our students’ education and patients in need of dental care. He truly has a “distinguished” career at UCLA.

Distinguished Faculty Member of the Year

Marvin Marcus

Every year, a small faculty committee selects a distinguished faculty member for his or her exemplary contributions in teaching, research, university and professional services. This year, the recipient of the fifth annual Distinguished Faculty of the Year award is Dr. Marvin Marcus.

Distinguished Teachers of the Year

Victor Diamond

Each year, the graduating D.D.S. class recognizes one or two members of the faculty whom they found to be exceptionally supportive of their development as dental professionals. Grateful for Dr. Victor Diamond’s mentorship, the Class of 2007 selected him to present them with their doctoral hoods at graduation.

To the Class of 2007,

I feel fortunate to have played a small role in your dental education, and I thank you for the honor of being included in your graduation ceremonies. It has been a most rewarding experience to get to know you and share ideas with so many of you.

My Crown and Bridge instructor gave our class some memorable advice when we graduated, and I’d like to pass it on to you. He pointed out that although our profession is meaningful, exciting, interesting and remunerating, it is also one that has challenges and oftentimes hurdles to overcome. He recommended seeing the humorous side of things and being satisfied knowing you did your very best.

Additionally, if you just treat your patients as if you yourself were the patient, it will help you in your diagnosis, treatment planning, patient rapport, and your love of dentistry.

Good luck in your future personal and professional lives, take good care of yourselves, keep learning, and keep in touch.

Fondly,
Dr. Vic Diamond

Dudley Glick

Like Dr. Diamond, Dr. Glick endeared himself to the students with his warm and generous teaching style. In addition to being selected by the students to participate in the hooding portion of their commencement ceremony, Dr. Glick also was distinguished by the class with another very special honor. The Class of 2007 chose to honor Dr. Glick with the prestigious Pierre Fauchard Award, presented annually to the teacher “from whom they learned the most.”

To the Wonderful Class of 2007,

Mere words are inadequate to express my surprise and gratitude that your class has selected me for this prestigious Pierre Fauchard Award. I am indeed honored and flattered. We had a special relationship and it was a delight to be one of your instructors. I am proud to be an integral part of your educational growth and development. In fact, I think you looked after me as much as I did you.

The award will be hung in a prominent place in my study where it will be a constant reminder of the memorable times we enjoyed in the Endo section.

With all best wishes in your forthcoming careers and you’ll do us proud on the WREB.

Your Colleague and Friend,
Dudley H. Glick, D.D.S.
Lecturer, Section of Endodontics
Dated March 22, 2007

Photos left to right, opposite page: Moira Stovall of Oral Biology & Medicine and Aaron Shearer of Public Health & Community Dentistry; Steve Shaevel of Academic Personnel and Pat Stafford of Pediatric Dentistry.
New Staff Hires in Fiscal Year 2006-2007

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Staff Retirements

Yolanda Delacerda
Position: Registered Dental Assistant
34 Years in the School Of Dentistry

Marsha Hood
Position: Administrative Assistant III
22 Years in the School Of Dentistry

Sandra Laderas
Position: Management Services Officer I
35 Years in the School Of Dentistry

Staff Member of the Year

Sandy Laderas
Sandy Laderas achieved 35 years of service before her retirement in FY 06-07; She began working at the School in 1965 as a lab assistant. Later, she became a dental auxiliary utilization instructor, and then a dental assistant supervisor. At the conclusion of her career, Sandy was a management services officer with diverse responsibilities. She made significant contributions to teaching and curriculum development in the areas of infection control and ergonomic practice. Over the years, she fulfilled many roles in the general clinic, including those of infection control officer and interim director of the volunteer program. In addition, she was a long-term member of the Patient Care and Health and Safety committees. Sandy was always willing to take on new challenges, and to offer her assistance wherever it was needed. For example, when the dental school launched SOE in the clinics, she was asked to serve as a troubleshooter and instructor. Outside campus, Sandy served on the California State Board of Dental Examiners from 1996-2000 where she very capably represented UCLA. For many decades, Sandy served as an excellent staff role model for professionalism and teamwork. Faculty respect for her many contributions resulted in her selection for Honorary OKU Membership in 2001 and her strong finish as runner-up for the Chancellor’s Award of Excellence.

More than a job, a career.

Supervisor of the Year

Evelyn Marques
Evie is an example of someone who has successfully worked her way up the career ladder at the UCLA School of Dentistry. She began here as an administrative assistant and now she serves as the supervisor for the Office of Student Affairs. In her role as office manager, she oversees the team that provides all student services. She is knowledgeable about each area in the office and able to step in whenever there is a need. Evie coordinates major events for the School including Commencement, the White Coat Ceremony, Orientation, the Senior Banquet, and the UCLA booth at the CDA convention. She also coordinates outgoing and incoming applications for postgraduate programs. In addition, she provides administrative support for the Student Performance, Student-Faculty Liaison, and Program Directors committees. Evie performs her duties with professionalism, collegiality, meticulous attention to detail, and a willingness to work evenings and weekends whenever necessary. She supervises through her own example of hard work and personal accountability and a strong commitment to fairness, effective teamwork, and good office morale. Evie takes a personal interest in the professional and personal well-being of each student and promotes a “Students Come First” policy of customer service.
Edward Della Maggiore

The UCLA School of Dentistry family was saddened at the news that Dr. Edward Della Maggiore passed away on Wednesday, January 24, 2007. Dr. Maggiore was an Adjunct Associate Professor in the Section of Public Health Dentistry.

Highly educated, Dr. Maggiore earned his D.D.S. degree at UC San Francisco in 1959 and an M.P.H. in health administration at the UC Berkeley School of public health in 1964. He received his Ph.D. in public health from the University of Michigan in 1977, then earned an M.A. in counseling and guidance from Eastern Michigan University in 1981. Finally, he received a second M.A., this one in clinical psychology, from Antioch University in 1991.

Dr. Maggiore was recruited to the UCLA School of Dentistry in 1981 to serve as director of the UCLA Venice Dental Center, a position he held for 15 years. He also served as a clinic group director from 1985-1993. He coordinated the USC/UCLA Mobile Clinic and filled the role of faculty advisor to several student groups. A mentor to many, he developed a Dental Spanish Selective very popular among students. He officially retired in 1994, but remained active in many School activities.

Dr. Maggiore was a kind and giving man who dedicated the better part of his career to promoting oral health in the poorer areas of the world. He was a consultant for the W.H.O./Pan American Health Organization Ministry of Health in Bogotá, Colombia in July and August of 1975; a consultant for Dental Public Health in Brazil in 1977, 1979 and 1980; and a member of the first American Dental Association delegation to the Peoples’ Republic of China in 1984.

Most notably, Dr. Maggiore served in various capacities with Project HOPE, both on board the SS HOPE and on land. His service for Project HOPE began in 1966 and continued throughout the years taking him to locales around the globe. In 1984, Dr. Maggiore became a dental consultant for Head Start Programs, Region IX, and remained so until his death. Ed Maggiore’s devotion to the most vulnerable populations of the world is inspiring. He will be greatly missed by all.

Joseph Matyas

Former staff member and longtime UCLA School of Dentistry laboratory volunteer Mr. Joseph Matyas passed away suddenly on March 19, 2007. He was 71 years old.

Joseph practiced as a dentist in his home country of Romania where he also played on the national soccer team. He emigrated to the United States and began working at the School in the early 1970s as a senior research associate in the Biomaterials Section.

During Joseph’s years in that Section, he worked alongside Dr. Angelo Caputo and his functions were varied because of his background and extensive knowledge. One of his major duties was to serve as a liaison among faculty, students, and dental laboratory support staff. Joseph fulfilled laboratory and lecture teaching responsibilities in Dental Morphology and more extensively in Dental Materials. Further, he performed research projects with Dr. Caputo and in collaboration with other faculty and students. These projects included basic materials testing and biomechanical investigations. As a result of his contributions, Joseph is listed as a co-author in approximately twenty articles published in refereed dental journals. He also presented his findings at numerous international dental meetings.

Joseph is survived by his wife, Dr. Anna Korda-Matyas, and his three children. His passing has been a tremendous loss for our School and our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends.

Dudley Hillel Glick

Faculty, staff and students were saddened to learn that Dr. Dudley Hillel Glick passed away on June 27, 2007 at the age of 87. Born in 1920 in Youngstown, Ohio, Dr. Glick graduated from John Adams High School where he competed against the legendary Jessie Owens on the track team.

He attended college at Ohio University prior to being drafted into the U.S. Army in December of 1939. Deployed to Europe, he fought in the Battle of the Bulge and received two Purple Hearts and the Silver Star for bravery.

After World War II, Dr. Glick moved with his family to Los Angeles in 1945. He graduated from the University of Southern California and then entered dental school at USC where he graduated in 1953. Dr. Glick became the first full-time endodontist in Los Angeles. He began his practice in Beverly Hills and continued teaching, lecturing, publishing scientific articles, inventing new endodontic instruments, and serving on numerous committees for the American Association of Endodontics. He was a life member of the AAE, served as its president, and received the Edgar D. Coolidge Award in 1988 for exemplary dedication to dentistry and to endodontics.

Formerly a USC instructor, Dr. Glick joined the UCLA faculty in 1995. He taught predoctoral and postgraduate students in both didactic and clinical courses. Dr. Glick served as an inspiration to so many of us. He was a gifted clinician and a dedicated teacher who taught continuously for more than 54 years. Yet Dr. Glick was more than a teacher and we learned far more from him than simply how to perform an endodontic procedure. We had the opportunity to observe his passion for teaching, his compassion for his patients, and the successes and failures that he willingly shared with us. He endeared himself to us with his gentle spirit, his mild manner, and his dedication to nurturing a specialty that at the time of his graduation from dental school was just in its infancy.

Dr. Glick’s arrival each Tuesday and Thursday was always cause for a celebration. Faculty and staff would warmly greet him and students would rush to gain some additional knowledge from him. The Class of 2007 honored Dr. Glick with both the “Distinguished Teacher of the Year” and “Pierre Fauchard” awards presented to the faculty member that had the greatest influence on them during their four-year dental education.

Dr. Glick was one of the pioneers of endodontics and served to enhance both its growth as a specialty and its credibility within the dental community. He also was a devoted family man, a wonderful husband, and an incredible role model for his three sons. UCLA will truly miss Dr. Glick’s many contributions to the specialty of endodontics, his humanity, his humility, his friendship, and his utmost concern for the welfare of his patients, students, colleagues and fellow endodontists whose lives he has truly enriched during these many years.

by Dr. Kenneth Trabert
Fiscal year 06-07 was a very exciting year for research at the School of Dentistry; our overall grant funding received was $12,911,796. It was a busy twelve months for students and faculty alike during which we enjoyed many opportunities to discuss the School’s research activities. Much talked about at the end of the year was the exciting announcement that UCLA received a grant from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute to implement a pre-college science education program for students from disadvantaged backgrounds. We learned further good news that beginning FY 07-08, the School will be funded by the Maternal Child Health Bureau. We eagerly await the first results of these projects. In the meantime, it feels appropriate to reflect proudly on the year just past.

In National and International News

American Association for Dental Research (AADR), American Dental Education Association (ADEA) and International Association for Dental Research (IADR)

The UCLA School of Dentistry made excellent showings at the AADR, ADEA and IADR annual meetings in New Orleans, March 17-24. We were well represented at the scientific sessions with a total of 45 oral and poster presentations by both students and faculty. We also were represented at the ADEA annual meeting with three presentations. This year, third-year dental student Jeffrey Kim earned a 2007 AADR Student Research Fellowship. This is a tremendous accomplishment in that only 19 awards were given to dental students across the country. Congratulations to Jeff!

Dental Research Institute (DRI) & Research Advisory Committee Seminar Series (RAC)

What do your faculty members research when they aren’t teaching? What is happening in your colleagues’ laboratories on other floors of the dental school building? How is UCLA leading the field of dental medicine? This year, the DRI and the Research Advisory Committee implemented a monthly seminar series to showcase the research being conducted at the dental school. This seminar is held on the first Monday of each month and is entitled “Translational Research Powered by the Faculty at the UCLA School of Dentistry.” Dean Park served as our inaugural speaker. In subsequent meetings, faculty members have collaborated to present new and innovative research and research concepts to the faculty, students and staff of the dental school. To date, we have had the following seminars:

December 4, 2006
Dean No-Hee Park
“A New Tumor Suppressor and Cancer Development”

January 22, 2007
Drs. Diana Messadi & David Wong
“Innovative Diagnostic Oral Cancer Research”

February 5, 2007
Drs. Ting-Ling Chang & Takahiro Ogawa
“Implant Treatment: What We Know Now and the Direction for the Future”

March 5, 2007
Drs. Ichiro Nishimura & Alan Felsenfeld
“Osteonecrosis of the Jaw: Clinical Manifestations and an Oral Mucosal Osteoimmunology Hypothesis”

May 7, 2007
Drs. Marvin Marcus & Fariba Younai
“The HIV Cost and Services Utilization Study: The Realm of Health Services Research”

June 4, 2007
Drs. Eung-Kwon Pae & Ronald M. Harper
“Obstructive Sleep Apnea: Implications for Dentistry”

These seminars have proven to be very informative. They allow the School as a whole to be aware of the direction and progress of active research programs within the School. We thank all those who have participated and we are excited about the lectures to come.
Faculty/Student Research Information Reception

Combining the efforts of the Research Advisory Committee and the Dental Research Institute, we launched a new annual event this year. On the evening of February 22, 2007, the Student/Faculty Research Information Reception introduced students to the various research projects that are currently being conducted in the labs of our faculty members. Our researchers made a total of 17 presentations covering a number of fields of study and disciplines. This successful event allowed students to make connections with the exceptional faculty members at the School of Dentistry. We anticipate an even larger turnout for our next reception.

Grant Writing Workshop

The UCLA School of Dentistry distinguishes itself, in part, due to its cutting-edge research programs. In an effort to make our faculty members even more competitive in the art and science of preparing, submitting and obtaining grants to further their research, the School sponsored a one-day grant-writing workshop this year. The workshop was held April 23, 2007 at the Covel Commons and conducted by Dr. Russell from Grant Writers’ Seminars and Workshops, LLC who instructed 36 attendees how best to organize and structure a proposal in an effort to receive a fundable priority score from reviewers. The information was well received and created a buzz after the meeting, with faculty members that were not able to attend inquiring about the next session. We look forward to tracking the progress of those who attended this first session in hopes of further strengthening the research program in the School of Dentistry.

Student Research Poster Competition

To close the year in research, the School of Dentistry’s annual Student Research Poster Competition and Awards Ceremony was held the evening of May 10, 2007. We were fortunate to have visiting with us that day Dr. Albert Avila from the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Dr. Avila is a program director at NIDCR and he met with a number of faculty members, dental students, graduate students and postdoctoral fellows throughout the day. During the lunch hour, he made a very informative presentation on how best to strategize a plan for obtaining the many fellowships, career development awards and individual training grants available to students and faculty members. This lecture was well attended and inspired many individuals to further investigate opportunities available through NIDCR/NIH.

Dental, graduate and postdoctoral students competed in two categories displaying the research posters they presented this past year at the AADR, ADEA, CDA and other scientific meetings. Cash prizes were funded by the School. Among our dental students, prizes were awarded to:

First Place
Karen Potter, Mentor: Dr. Shane White
“Kallikrein-4 Overexpression in Developing Murine Enamel Profoundly Reduces Hardness”

Second Place
Kevin Andrus, Mentor: Dr. Karen Lefever
“Student-Initiated Curriculum Development”

Third Place
Brandon Seto, Mentor: Dr. Shane White
“Measurement of the Change in Elastic Modulus Over Time of Adhesive Luting Cements”

Among graduate students and residents, prizes were awarded to:

First Place:
Avina Paranjpe, Mentor: Dr. Ana Jewett
“N-Acetyl Cysteine Protects Dental Pulp Stromal Cells from HEMA-Induced Apoptosis by Inducing Differentiation of the Cells.”

Second Place:
Noh Jin Park, Mentor: Dr. David Wong
“The Science Behind Saliva mRNA”

Third Place:
Wael Att, Mentor: Dr. Takahiro Ogawa
“Light-induced Enhancement of the Osteoconductive Capacity of Implant Materials”

Photos left to right, opposite page: Dr. Karen Lefever discusses the dentist’s role in recognizing elder abuse and neglect; Drs. Sotirios Tetradis and Tara Aghaloo discuss data while Drs. Stacey Woo and Clara Magyar perform an experiment. Photos left to right, this page: Dr. Zhanzhi “Mike” Hu prepares a real-time polymerase chain reaction experiment; Dr. Marvin Marcus shares the results of recent public health research; A busy lab.
### Grant Funding Statistics

#### New Grants 2006-2007

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| **Tara Aghaloo and David Berrios**, Osseous Healing With BMP-2 and Oxysterols  
American Association of Endodontists Foundation (AAE), April 1, 2007-June 30, 2008 | $18,000 |
| **Bradley Henson**, Role of RHOC and GALR2 in the Metastasis of Oropharyngeal Cancers  
National Institutes of Health/National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, September 1, 2006-August 31, 2008 | $197,208 |
| **Shen Hu**, Quantitative Salivary Proteomics for Human Oral Cancer  
National Institutes of Health/National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, April 4, 2007-March 31, 2009 | $154,500 |
| **Shen Hu**, Serum Proteome Analysis of Oral Cancer Metastasis  
National Institutes of Health/National Cancer Institute, May 7, 2007-April 30, 2008 | $338,800 |
| **Anahid Jewett and Midori Tachibana**, The Effects of Fusobacterium Nucleatum on Human Pulp Stromal Cells  
American Association of Endodontists Foundation (AAE), March 1, 2007-April 30, 2008 | $12,000 |
| **Mo Kang**, Effects of Antiretroviral Therapy on Telomerase Function in Human Oral Epithelium  
National Institutes of Health/National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, March 1, 2007-February 29, 2012 | $1,776,750 |
| **Mo Kang**, BMI-1 Overexpression is an Early Diagnostic Marker of Oral Cancer  
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Foundation, March 1, 2006-February 28, 2007 | $54,980 |
| **Marvin Marcus**, Developing a Sustainable Model that Integrates Community-Based Dental and Primary Care Services on Los Angeles’ Westside - Phase Two  
UniHealth Foundation, July 3, 2006-July 2, 2009 | $1,113,331 |
| **Wenyuan Shi**, Intercellular Signaling in Myxococcus Xanthus  
National Institutes of Health/National Institute of General Medical Sciences, May 1, 2007-April 30, 2011 | $1,375,420 |
| **Wenyuan Shi**, Targeted Antimicrobial Peptides  
UC Discovery Grant - Biotechnology, May 1, 2007-April 10, 2010 | $480,000 |
| **Wenyuan Shi**, Targeted Antimicrobial Peptides  
C3 JIAN INC., May 1, 2007-April 10, 2010 | $740,000 |
| **David Wong**, Salivary Proteomic and Genomic Biomarkers for Primary Sjögren’s Syndrome  
National Institutes of Health/National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, April 1, 2006-June 30, 2007 | $2,147,230 |
| **David Wong**, Oral Fluid NanoSensor Test  
National Institutes of Health/National Institute of Dental & Craniofacial Research, September 1, 2006-June 30, 2011 | $7,630,361 |

**Grand Total of New Awards: $16,038,580**
Fiscal year 05-06 figures have been modified to reflect previously unaccounted for funds. Additionally, awards erroneously booked in fiscal year 04-05 in a prior report have been carried over to the appropriate year, 05-06.

- Federal: $10,804,327
- Foundation: $1,636,336
- Industry/Private: $471,133

2006-2007 NIH Grants by Institute:
- National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS): $520,093
- National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA): $672,632
- National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS): $139,554
- National Cancer Institute (NCI): $367,812
- National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NIHIB): $188,587
- National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR): $8,474,661
Here at UCLA, we have been fortunate to host the NIDCR/NIH training grant program known as the T32 Training Grant. We are currently in our second cycle and are applying for renewal of the program later this year.

This particular grant is in place to allow researchers at various levels the opportunity to advance their research programs. There are four different tracks. The first is a Short-Term Training Program (STTP) for dental students; this is a 3-month appointment to introduce students to research. The next track is called the Dentist/Scientist Training Program (DSTP); this is a dual degree program that allows a dental student the opportunity to earn both a D.D.S. degree and a Ph.D. concurrently. The third track is the Long-Term Training Program—the predoctoral track for those students who are interested in earning their Ph.D. Finally, the fourth track is for postdoctoral fellows.

We have had more than 40 individuals from various disciplines participate in this program. Some have progressed from one track to another and obtained faculty appointments at UCLA and other institutions throughout the United States.

**T32 Trainees for the 2006-2007 Grant Year:**

**Short-Term Training Program (STTP)**
- Jacob Cragun, Mentor: Dr. Shane White
  Measuring the Modulus of Elasticity of Cements and Sealers
- Bryan Houlberg, Mentor: Dr. Robert Lindemann
  Practice and Patient Management
- Silva Megerdichian, Mentor: Dr. Wenyuan Shi
  Conducting Assays to Develop Peptides Based on the Sequence of Dentin Phosphoprotein
- Jane Rafela, Mentor: Dr. Sotirios Tetrakis
  Androgens in Prostate Cancer-Induced Bone Metastasis
- Anne Reeves, Mentor: Dr. James Crall
  Association Between Body Fatness and Caries Experience Among Young Children & Adolescents

**Dentist/Scientist Training Program (DSTP)**
- Lori Watkins, Mentor: Dr. Karen Lefever
  Ticket to Smile
- Gregory Werner, Mentor: Dr. Angelo Caputo
  Stress Distributions of Microimplants
- Jeanne Wong, Mentor: Dr. Kang Ting
  Recombinant Human Fibromodulin Production and Confirmation of its Bioactivity
- Nini Chaichanasakul, Mentor: Dr. Sotirios Tetrakis
  Generating Deletion and Modification Constructs Method to Study the Effect of Cis-Regulating Element Between Hox Genes

**Long-Term Training Program (LTTP)**
- Jeff Kim, Mentor: Dr. David Wong
  p12 Oral Cancer
- Chris Kaplan, Mentor: Dr. Wenyuan Shi
  Oral Bacterial Pathogenesis
- Arpi Siyahian, Mentor: Dr. Sotirios Tetrakis
  Parathyroid Hormone (PTH) and its Effects on NGFI-B

**PhD Trainees for the 2006-2007 Grant Year:**

**Postdoctoral Fellows**
- Prasanna Ramachandran, Mentor: Dr. Joseph Loo
  Identifying Glycoprotein Biomarkers for Diseases
- Noh Jin Park, Mentor: Dr. David Wong
  Using mRNA in Saliva as a Diagnostic Tool for Types of Cancer
- Jianghua Wang, Mentor: Dr. David Wong
  Oral Cancer mRNA Biomarkers in Saliva

The increase in green color in the panels at the far left shows Parathyroid hormone (PTH) activation of protein kinase A signaling cascades in osteoblasts (bone forming cells). This signaling cascade regulates the expression of many osteoblastic genes, including NGFI-B and E4BP4, as identified by microarray technology. Dr. Stacey Woo, Arpi Siyahian, and other scientists in the School of Dentistry are conducting research on bone formation.
In the February 23 issue of the Journal of Biological Chemistry, Dr. Shane White and fellow scientists reported for the first time that a transgenic animal (mouse) had been used to engineer hard dental tissues superior to those found in nature. Their research showed that the sialophosphoprotein Dsp increased the hardness of tooth enamel by 20 percent. This finding holds promise for ongoing efforts to engineer replacement teeth resistant to decay or wear, and is one example of the ways in which UCLA School of Dentistry research may improve oral health in the future.

NIH K and F Awards Programs

The NIH’s K awards are for career development while F awards are independent fellowship awards. Listed below are the individual(s) supported by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) through the K and F award system during 2006-2007:

Dr. Tara Aghaloo (K08)
The Role of VDR in PTH and Vitamin D3 Synergy
National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR)

Dr. Deng Hongyu (K22)
A Novel Herpesviral Vector for Oral Gene Delivery
National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR)

Dr. Bradley Henson (K08)
Role of RHOC and GAKR2 in the Metastasis of Oropharyngeal Cancers
National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR)

Dr. Mo Kang (K22)
Oxidative Stress, DNA Damage and Cellular Aging
National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR)

Dr. Jeanne Nervina (K08)
RAMP Involvement in PTH Regulation of Bone Metabolism
National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR)

Dr. Shane White (K22)
Dentin-Enamel Junction Genetic-Structural Correlation
National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR)

Dr. Wenyuan Shi/Dr. Marielena Chavira (F31)
Programmed Cell Death During Development of M. Xanthus
National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS)

NIH/HRSA Awards Program

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) award system supports:

Dr. James Crall (U54)
Oral Health Policy Center
Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

Dr. James Crall (D59)
Residency Training in General and Pediatric Dentistry
Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

2006-2007 PIs and Co-PIs with Active Grants

Tara Aghaloo
Kathryn Atchison
David Berrios
Mentor: Tara Aghaloo
Angelo Caputo
Robert Chiu
James Crall
Hongyu Deng
Melanie Gironda
Susan Haake
Bradley Henson
Shen Hu
Anahid Jewett
Mo Kang
Karen Lefever
Carl Maida
Marvin Marcus
Diana Messadi
Jeane Nervina
Ichiro Nishimura
Takahiro Ogawa
Shen Pang
No-Hee Park
Christine Quinn
Nancy Reifel
Vivek Shetty
Wenyuan Shi
Ki-Hyuk Shin
Igor Spigelman
Midori Tachibana
Mentor: Anahid Jewett
Sotirios Tetradis
Kang Ting
Shane White
David Wong
Xioafeng Zhou


Research is the engine for real-world advances in oral health care.


Nervina JM, Camargo PM, Bezoulaia O, Tetradis S. Prostanoid- and Interleukin-1-Induced Primary Genes in Cementoblastic Cells. J Periodontol 2006;77(8):1362-70.


UCLA AIDS Institute researchers have discovered that when a crucial portion of a peptide structure in monkeys that defends against viruses, bacteria and other foreign invaders is reversed, the peptide actually encourages infection with HIV.

The findings, published in the April issue of AIDS Research and Human Retroviruses, could pave the way for the use of such peptides in gene therapy using HIV-based vectors as the delivery method.

“Although it may seem counterintuitive to value or even study a peptide that increases the ability of HIV-1 to enter a broad range of human cells, retroviral vectors are currently being explored as vehicles for gene therapy,” the authors wrote. “In this area, at least, agents that enhance retroviral uptake could contribute to an emerging field of medicine.”

“So many people have tried to deliver genes into different kinds of cells,” said study co-author Shen Pang, adjunct associate professor at the UCLA School of Dentistry and a member of the UCLA AIDS Institute. “If you know of some method that can enhance gene delivery, you would have a useful tool.”

Six UCLA Scholars Elected Fellows of American Association for the Advancement of Science

Six UCLA scholars are among 449 scholars recently elected fellows by the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the world’s largest general scientific society. Members are selected based on scientifically or socially distinguished work that helps to advance science or its applications.

As a symbol of their accomplishments, each new fellow will receive an official certificate and a gold science or blue engineering rosette pin during the association’s annual meeting in San Francisco on Feb. 17, 2007. The official announcement of this year’s fellows was made Nov. 24 in the association’s journal, Science.

David T. Wong, associate dean of research for the School of Dentistry and a doctor of medical dentistry and medical science, is among the new fellows.
 Fiscal year 06-07 was another banner year for our teaching clinics. We closed the year with an increase in revenue compared with FY 2005-2006. During the same period, our number of patient visits at the UCLA Dental Center hit an all-time high of 43,412. Our success is due to the management skills of our program directors and clinic leadership and the dedicated, hard work of our students, residents, faculty and staff.

**UCLA Dental Center**

In last year’s report, we announced that as of July of 2006 we planned to implement a dramatic change in the organizational structure of the general clinic—a return to “home cubes.” The dual purpose of this restructuring was to enhance the student experience and to be more patient-centered in providing care. I am pleased to state that we accomplished our goals.

The feedback that we have received, especially from students, is that this is the most significant change we have made to improve the educational experience. Our data demonstrates that in this new environment, students are less stressed and more productive. In fact, this year many students achieved competency and completed requirements well in advance of our June graduation. The reduction in the “mad rush” to the finish was palpable.

Another significant success to report is the dramatic influx in new patients we experienced this year. In previous reports we discussed the challenges we faced in recruiting and retaining patients in the predoctoral program. Our patients generally come from a radius of 25 miles and many of them rely upon public transportation. Over the past year, we have launched a targeted marketing campaign to attract more patients and this work has paid off. Previously, our monthly average for new patient acceptances was 140; since the first of January 2007, our new patient flow has increased to more than 220 new patients per month.

The UCLA graduate student body represents a potentially ideal patient population suitable for treatment by student dentists. In addition, as peers, they understand the concept of the training environment. Our marketing effort towards the graduate students continues through the work of our dental student Marketing Selective. The credit for this year’s accomplishments goes to Ms. Natalie Nguyen, who is a third-year student leading the marketing team. Natalie, along with her Marketing Selective members, made numerous presentations to graduate student groups. This year, we recruited approximately 60 new patients through this effort.

In 2005, we announced the creation of the $100,000 patient subsidy to help offset some of the cost of dental care for specific patients identified by students and faculty. The funding for this subsidy comes from gifts to our Apollonian Society. This past year, the subsidy was increased to $150,000, or $1,500 per student. This increase is due solely to our successes with fundraising. The students list the patient subsidy as the second most important enhancement to improve their experience. Our students, patients and faculty give our heartfelt thanks to all of you who have made gifts to our Apollonian Society and sincerely hope that you will continue your support.

**Wilson-Jennings-Bloomfield UCLA Venice Dental Center**

The Wilson-Jennings-Bloomfield UCLA Venice Dental Center continues to serve as a model for community-based service and education. The center’s mission is focused on serving indigent patients of all ages, with many patients referred by the nearby Venice Family Clinic—a local, federally qualified health center. Students now rotate to Venice one specific day per week for an entire quarter allowing them to develop longer-term relationships with patients and follow up on procedures requiring multiple appointments. The Venice experience provides students with an environment that approaches the private setting, with large spacious operatories and an expectation that they will see more patients per day.

Dr. John Yamamoto, director of the Wilson-Jennings-Bloomfield UCLA Venice Dental Center, deserves the lion’s share of the credit for the positive changes occurring there. Over the past year, his efforts have resulted in nearly a 15 percent increase in patient visits,
which translates into a significant increase in oral health care provided to the Westside community.

The Venice Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) program plays a critical role in the community by providing advanced services to patients with more challenging dental care needs. A graduate of this program is expected to possess a breadth and depth of the skills and knowledge necessary to practice excellent general dentistry, and to be comfortable coordinating care across various dental specialties. We extend a welcome to David Reynolds as the new director of the Venice AEGD program beginning July 1, 2007.

We opened our new pediatric dentistry residency program at the UCLA Venice Dental Center on July 1, 2006. Dr. James Crall, chair of the Section of Pediatric Dentistry, and Dr. Kenneth Troutman, director of the pediatric dentistry residency programs, are the visionaries who conceived of this new program which creates a pediatric dentistry specialist with training in community health advocacy. To support this new program, we recently “broke ground” on an expansion to the Venice Dental Center to provide new state-of-the-art clinical space. This expansion is made possible through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilson and Mrs. Peggy Bloomfield, longtime benefactors of the School of Dentistry and UCLA.

Faculty Clinics

Our faculty practices continue to be recognized for their high level of expertise and quality of services. The largest faculty practice is the Faculty Group Dental Practice, a multidisciplinary practice consisting of nearly thirty practitioners including general dentists as well as a number of specialists. It is located in the 100 Medical Plaza building. Other faculty practices are organized by specialty and include the UCLA Periodontics Clinic (also located in the 100 Medical Plaza); the UCLA Orofacial Pain and Oral Medicine Faculty Group; the Oral Pathology Diagnostic Laboratory; the UCLA Dental Anesthesia Service; the UCLA Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons; the UCLA Maxillofacial Prosthetics-Hospital Dentistry practice; and the UCLA Oral Radiology Service (all located within the Center for the Health Sciences).

Calling Part-Time Instructors

We would like to especially recognize and thank our part-time and volunteer faculty who take precious time away from their practices to share their expertise and play an indispensable role in our many teaching programs. We could not operate our training programs without you! If you are a practitioner interested in joining our volunteer faculty, please contact:

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 Calling Part-Time Instructors

We would like to especially recognize and thank our part-time and volunteer faculty who take precious time away from their practices to share their expertise and play an indispensable role in our many teaching programs. We could not operate our training programs without you! If you are a practitioner interested in joining our volunteer faculty, please contact:

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The Division consists of the Sections of Removable Prosthodontics, chaired by Dr. Ting-Ling Chang, Biomaterials, chaired by Dr. Angelo Caputo, and Hospital Dentistry, chaired by Dr. Eric Sung. The Jane and Jerry Weintraub Center for Reconstructive Biotechnology, a world-renowned research enterprise devoted to the study of implant surface science, tissue engineering and wound healing, is directed by Dr. Neal Garrett. Dr. John Beumer chairs the Division.

Teaching Programs
The Division’s electronic programs of instruction have been upgraded and narration has been added to many of the lectures and laboratory exercises. The Division’s “Complete Denture” electronic program of instruction has been distributed nationally (it is being used by a sizable percentage of the schools in the United States) and has received much praise. The clinical training program for predoctoral students continues to thrive. There has been an ample supply of patients and the Division remains committed to our clinical competency system for graduation.

Dr. Eleni Roumanas has accepted the position of director of the residency program in prosthodontics. She succeeds Dr. Joseph Cooney who retired this past year. In turn, Dr. Ting-Ling Chang succeeded Dr. Eleni Roumanas as chair of the Section of Removable Prosthodontics.

The Division plans a campaign to fund a chair in advanced prosthodontics in honor of Dr. F.J. Kratochvil. Dr. Kratochvil was the architect of UCLA’s predoctoral curriculum in removable prosthodontics. He also initiated UCLA’s highly acclaimed residency program in prosthodontics in 1973. The director of the prosthodontic residency program will occupy this chair.

Awards and Appointments
Two new full-time faculty members were appointed to the Section of Removable Prosthodontics this past year. Dr. Kumar Shah received his prosthodontic training at Ohio State University. Dr. Niki Ghaem-Maghami received her prosthodontic training at the West Los Angeles VA Medical Center. She also completed the residency program in maxillofacial prosthetics at UCLA.

Dr. Neal Garrett and Dr. Eleni Roumanas were promoted to professor in the regular professorial series. Dr. Garrett was elected as only the eighth honorary fellow of the Academy of Prosthodontics in its 88-year history. Dr. Garrett will serve as president-elect of the Prosthodontic Research Group of the International Association of Dental Research this year. Dr. Evelyn Chung was promoted to Associate Clinical Professor in the Section of Hospital Dentistry. Dr. Eric Sung and Dr. Evelyn Chung have become boarded by the American Board for Special Care Dentistry. Dr. Eleni Roumanas was re-elected as a member of the board of directors of the International Society of Maxillofacial Rehabilitation.

Two postdoctoral fellows working in Dr. Tak Ogawa’s laboratory were recipients of prestigious international research awards this year. Dr. Hideki Aita received the IADR Frechette Prosthodontics Research Award and Dr. Naoki Tsukimura received the Pre-Prosthetic Regenerative Science Award from the Prosthodontic Group. Additionally, Dr. Pamela Maragliano and Dr. James Kelly, third-year residents in Prosthodontics, tied for first place in the research competition conducted annually by the Pacific Coast Society of Prosthodontists.

Research
The Weintraub Center for Reconstructive Biotechnology serves as the Division’s research enterprise. The vision of the Center is to become the premier research and educational center for the rehabilitation of oral and facial defects. Our new facility has permitted clinical and basic science investigators to have much greater interaction. New approaches to the repair and rehabilitation of the damaging effects of cancer on oral and facial structures are being advanced. For example, our clinical experience and research have indicated a great need for methods to rapidly stabilize titanium implants in bone to be able to attach various types of prostheses to replace missing and damaged tissues. New technologies in coating the implants with bone growth stimulators have been developed with the potential to reduce the time it takes to utilize these implants from months to days. Proteins have been identified which may permit us to rapidly grow bone in the appropriate size and shape to repair damaged areas and to replace missing bone with natural tissues. Obviously, these developments will have applications in many areas of medicine and our collaborations are expanding to meet these opportunities.

As an example, Drs. Ichiro Nishimura and Neal Garrett have developed a new research program elucidating the pathophysiology of Osteonecrosis of the Jaw (ONJ). The ONJ project affinity group includes Drs. Sung, Chang, and Aghaloo of the School of Dentistry, and Dr. John Adams, the Director of the Cedars-Sinai Medical Center’s General Clinical Research Center. This translational research program involves patient-oriented studies and laboratory animal studies. The group has been awarded the Clinical Translational Seed Grant from the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA and the Stein...
Oppenheimer Endowment which enables them to start collecting the preliminary data on this complex disorder. Dr. Nishimura also received a UCLA Academic Senate Faculty Research Grant for investigating the osteoimmunology of ONJ in rats. The preliminary data indicate that vitamin D insufficiency-induced deregulated oral immune reactions may contribute to the loss of bone activities.

A new nanotechnology-implant surface has been developed by Dr. Nishimura and his colleagues. Compared to conventional microtopographies, for example the dual acid-etched surface, the application of hydroxyl apatite nano-size crystals results in a discrete nano-scale surface topography. Implant anchorage is increased three to five times more than is currently being achieved. This new technology represents a significant step forward in implant dentistry. A research article describing this new phenomenon was the featured article in a new journal, Nanotechnology.

Dr. Ben Wu, co-director of the Weintraub Center, and his group continue to make significant advances in multiple areas of tissue engineering. One of his papers attracted national attention when his team reported the successful isolation of multipotent stem cells from human fat tissues and differentiated them into smooth muscle cells that not only exhibit the proper surface markers and genetic profile of normal smooth muscle cells, but also function, contract, and respond to pharmacological agents similar to normal, healthy smooth muscle cells. Published in the prestigious Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, this NIH-funded project has profound implications for the regeneration of damaged tissues in which smooth muscles are required. Dr. Wu is continuing to work with oral surgeons, gastrointestinal specialists, and urologists to engineer clinically relevant devices for each biological indication.

In clinical research, our group is completing a unique study of oral cancer survivors who have had reconstruction of their jaws and conventional and implant-supported prostheses. We are seeking to determine the effects of the treatment on daily function and quality of life. This study affects the way we approach cancer survivors, helping us to identify the clinical treatment options we can recommend for their optimal rehabilitation with current techniques, and more rapidly return them to their “pre-cancer” daily activities.

To expand our collaborations and the scope of our projects, we are continuing to develop a Web-based communication, education and data interchange resource which we call “The Commons.” We envision this resource as providing a vehicle to share our educational materials on maxillofacial rehabilitation and prosthetic dentistry to assist both care providers and patients in identifying treatments, permit regular audio/video communication with our collaborating investigators around the world, provide opportunities for patient consultation and development of new research projects, and coordinate and analyze clinical and basic science projects involving multiple sites at cooperating laboratories and clinics.

Photos left to right, opposite page: Dr. Eleni Roumanas, Dr. Ting-Ling Chang, Dr. Kumar Shah, Dr. Niki Ghaem-Maghami. Photos left to right, this page: The Commons at the Weintraub Center for Reconstructive Biotechnology; A conventional microtopography—a dual acid-etched nanotechnology implant surface; In contrast, a discrete nano-scale surface topography, the result of the application of hydroxyl apatite nano-size crystals; the lab at the Weintraub Center; Dr. John Beumer presents a lecture to colleagues; several members of the Division attend an offsite meeting at May’s Landing in Malibu.
The Division contains the Sections of Endodontics, Orthodontics, Pediatric Dentistry and Periodontics, all of which are involved in educational programs for dental students, postdoctoral residency programs for specialty education, continuing education, faculty practice, research, and public service. Each section functions with significant autonomy so that each specialty controls its own activities. The division has continued to expand its clinical services with an increase of more than $100,000 in clinic revenues compared to the previous year.

Teaching Programs

The interim chair of the Section of Endodontics is Dr. Gerald Longhurst. Predoctoral didactic and preclinical courses in the second and third years of dental school provide students with the technical knowledge required for the diagnosis and treatment of patients with endodontic disease. The students gain clinical experience during the final two years of the program. Under the directorship of Dr. Nadia Chugal, the two-year postdoctoral training program offers a wide range of didactic and clinical endodontic experiences, prompting more than 100 applicants to vie for three resident slots each year. The endodontic continuum is a continuing education program, directed by Dr. Bernice Ko, with a compact schedule of two four-day sessions that makes it accessible to practicing general dentists.

The Section of Orthodontics is chaired by Dr. Kang Ting. The mission of the UCLA Section of Orthodontics is to enhance the health of the people of California by educating students and practitioners in dentofacial orthopedics and orthodontics; by researching the causes, prevention, and treatment of malocclusion and skeletal imbalances; and by providing service to our patients and the community. The Section of Orthodontics places a special emphasis on providing care to disadvantaged children and children with craniofacial anomalies. Dr. Won Moon is the clinic director and Dr. Eung-Kwon Pae is the postdoctoral director. The dedicated volunteer faculty is the strength of this Section.

The Section of Pediatric Dentistry is chaired by Dr. James J. Crall. The section provides predoctoral didactic, laboratory and clinical coursework which prepares UCLA dental school graduates to meet the basic diagnostic, preventive and therapeutic oral health care needs of children. The Pediatric Dentistry predoctoral curriculum consists of three lecture courses and a pre-clinical laboratory course followed by clinical experiences at the UCLA Children’s Dental Center, CDC-Inglewood and UCLA Venice Dental Center. Dr. Clarice Law serves as director of the Pediatric Dentistry predoctoral program.

The Section of Pediatric Dentistry operates two 25-month advanced specialty education residency programs—one based primarily at the UCLA Dental Center in Westwood, which accepts five residents annually, and a new residency program based primarily in Venice, which accepts two residents annually. The Venice-based Community Health and Advocacy Training for Pediatric Dentists (CHAT-PD) residency program, which officially began in June 2006, is modeled on the UCLA Pediatric Medicine CHAT residency program and involves integrated instruction for pediatrics and pediatric dentistry residents. The Section of Pediatric Dentistry also currently co-sponsors a four-year combined pediatric dentistry/orthodontics advanced education (residency) program in conjunction with the Section of Orthodontics. Residents in the pediatric dentistry and combined pediatric dentistry/orthodontics residency programs receive didactic and clinical instruction and provide comprehensive dental care to infants, children and adolescents, including children with special health care needs, at the UCLA Children’s Dental Center, UCLA Medical Center and UCLA Venice Dental Center. Dr. Kenneth Troutman serves as director of pediatric dentistry residency programs, while Dr. Moon is director of the combined pediatric dentistry/orthodontics residency program.

The Section of Pediatric Dentistry hosted visiting preceptors from Iran and Korea and a visiting professor from Japan in 2006-2007. Drs. Law and Freudenberger participate in the Faculty Group Dental Practice.

The Section of Periodontics has almost completed the development of a new curriculum with increased emphasis on the integration of basic science information into the clinically relevant lectures and seminars. The full-time and part-time faculty have continued their highly valued commitment to excellence in clinical education of dental students. This year a change in the clinic structure with the introduction of home cubicles has enhanced the efficiency of student clinic utilization and added to the quality of periodontal education.

The postdoctoral specialty program in periodontics had a very good year with tremendous support from our dedicated faculty and staff as well as the diligent efforts of our residents. An afternoon clinic session (on alternate weeks) has been added to the clinical experience to increase resident experience with intravenous conscious sedation. Thanks to Dr. Thomas Sims for providing this additional clinic coverage. We are in the final stages of evaluating desktop computers for chairside evaluation of
Cancer. This year, Dr. Kang published several scientific articles in publications such as The International Journal of Oncology, Methods in Molecular Medicine, Experimental Cell Research and The British Journal of Cancer.

Dr. Nadia Chugal’s current project focuses on understanding the relationships between Candida “infections” and root canal infections in HIV/AIDS patients with the purpose of developing more effective therapies and improved endodontic prognosis for this group of patients. Dr. Nadia Chugal was the co-investigator with Dr. Wenyuan Shi, PI, on a pilot study (supported by Pfizer) to explore in vivo dental biofilm.

Dr. Jeanne Nervina is co-principal investigator on an ongoing $1,600,000 NIH R01 grant awarded to Dr. Sotirios Tetrads. She also is the Principal Investigator on a $540,000 NIH K08 grant.

Dr. Kang Ting has an ongoing $1,800,000 NIH R01 as the PI and a $310,000 NIH R21 grant as a co-PI. He also is the co-PI of a new $400,000 UC Discovery grant and a $125,000 MTF grant in collaboration with the UCLA Departments of Orthopedics and Biomedical Engineering. Dr. Ting’s research paper “Overexpression of Nell-1 Induces Massive Apoptosis, Exencephaly, and Cranioskeletal Deformities During Embryonic Development” was on the cover of Laboratory Investigation in July 2006.

Dr. Crall continued to serve as director of the UCLA HRSA/Maternal and Child Health Bureau’s (MCHB) National Oral Health Policy Center, one of only four MCHB-funded policy centers in the US, during the 06-07 academic year. As director, Dr. Crall oversees research and development activities that seek to inform and influence policies related to improving maternal and child oral health. The National Oral Health Policy Center is co-located in the UCLA Center for Healthier Children, Families and Communities in order to take advantage of collaborative relationships with faculty from the UCLA Schools of Medicine, Public Health and Public Policy. The Policy Center was awarded $325,000 for the 06-07 budget period.

The UniHealth Foundation awarded a three-year grant to the UCLA School of Dentistry to support implementation of community oral health activities, including the new CHAT-PD residency program at the UCLA Venice Dental Center, beginning in July, 2006. Year one (06-07) funding in the amount of $172,140 was awarded for the Pediatric Dentistry portion of the UniHealth grant to provide salary support for three faculty members and three administrative/clinical support staff members at the Venice Dental Center. Dr. Crall serves as PI for the pediatric dentistry portion of the UniHealth grant. Additional research support for pediatric dentistry activities during 06-07 included grants from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and The California Endowment.
Dr. Susan Kinder Haake’s NIH-funded research program continues to focus on molecular analysis of microbial pathogens involved in periodontal diseases. The establishment of genetic systems to study the Gram-negative anaerobe Fusobacterium nucleatum has enabled studies to clarify the role of specific proteins in properties that are involved in periodontal disease mechanisms. Investigations on colonization of periodontal pathogens and the use of beneficial bacteria to block their colonization may lead to new strategies for the management of periodontal diseases. A new area of investigation, supported by a grant from the Pathogen Functional Genomics Resource Center at the J. Craig Venter Institute and sponsored by NIAID and NIDCR at NIH, involves the use of microarrays to understand the ability of Fusobacterium nucleatum to respond to environmental stimuli and interact with other bacteria in dental plaque biofilms. Dr. Haake is a member of the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Program Committee of the NIH Roadmap Human Microbiome Project Workshop held in Bethesda, MD in April 2007.

Dr. Paulo Camargo continues to study the effects of prostanooid agents on periodontal regeneration as well as on the preservation and augmentation of alveolar ridge dimensions following tooth extraction. His research currently utilizes an animal model and is funded by the NIH/NIDCR.

Dr. Perry Klokkevold continues to evaluate the factors responsible for bone loss around implants in a clinical study of patients treated in the postdoctoral periodontics program over the last 10 years. He also has IRB approval and commercial funding to study the effect of bovine bone to preserve alveolar dimensions following tooth extraction in preparation for implant placement. The study protocol is in the final stages of approval by the UCLA Office of Contracts and Grants. Patient recruitment for this study is anticipated soon. Dr. Klokkevold also is conducting two animal studies: One evaluates the effect of bisphosphonates on extraction socket healing and the other analyzes the effect of ultrasound therapy on bone healing. Earlier this year, Dr. Klokkevold published the results of a systematic review of the literature evaluating the effect of smoking, diabetes and periodontal disease on implant outcomes for the International Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Implants.

Collaborative studies conducted with the University of Belgrade continue to be productive with papers published on mucogingival surgery and the role of periodontal pathogens on coronary artery atherosclerosis.

Recruitments, Retirements and Promotions

Dr. Mo Kang was promoted to Associate Professor.

New faculty in the orthodontic clinics include Dr. Darin Iverson and Dr. Peter Jeon who provide clinical instruction at the orthodontics postgraduate clinic where Dr. Won Moon has accepted the position of clinic director. The orthodontic clinic has an additional staff member, Maria Sagrero, to help improve the quality and efficiency of patient care. Dr. Leroy Vego retired after 15 years of serving in the postgraduate orthodontic clinic. He directed the postgraduate program from 2002-05.

Recruitment for a full-time pediatric dentistry faculty position continued during the past academic year, and an offer is pending. Dr. Sherry Sami, a dual-trained pediatric dentist/orthodontist and a fellow at the MCHB National Oral Health Policy Center, was appointed as a lecturer during 06-07, primarily to assist with the CHAT-PD residency program.

Awards and Other Activities

Dr. Kang has been nominated to be a member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the Journal of Endodontics. Dr. Shane White served a second term as chair of the UCLA Academic Senate Faculty Welfare Committee. The cubicles in the undergraduate clinic are now equipped with Global Microscopes provided through a generous donation from the Apollonian Society. The Section of Endodontics continued the Distinguished Lecturer Series with Dr. Kenneth Hargraves and Dr. John Yagiela as the guest speakers. Dr. Hargraves is professor and chairman of the Department of Endodontics at the University of Texas, San Antonio. Their topic was “Pain Management in Endodontics.”

Dr. Nadia Chugal was appointed to the Research and Scientific Affairs Committee of the American Association of Endodontists and was also elected secretary of the Pulp Biology Group of the International Association of Dental Research. Two of the first-year endodontics residents, Drs. David Berrios and Midori Tachibana, received research grants, in the amounts of $18,000 and $12,000 respectively, from the American Association of Endodontists.

Dr. Ting was inducted as an ADEA Leadership Institute Fellow.

Dr. Sara Ghaemmaghami was awarded a 2007 Graduate Student Research Award by the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Foundation for a research project conducted in collaboration with Drs. Jason Eberle and...
Donald Duperon. Dr. Sherry Sami was named the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Sam Harris Management Fellow for 06-07. Drs. Sharon Freudenberger and Corina Ramirez were awarded Diplomate status (board certification) by the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry. Dr. Crall was reappointed as the Child Advocate for the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and member of the Academy’s Board of Trustees. Dr. Crall gave an invited presentation entitled “Optimizing Oral Health throughout Childhood: the Importance of Caries Risk Assessment and Strategic Interventions” at the Federation Dentaire Internationale (FDI) Prevention Symposium in Shenzhen, China, in September 2006. The HRSA/MCHB National Oral Health Policy Center sponsored a National Symposium on Oral Health and School Readiness in Washington, DC November 2-3, 2006. Dr. Troutman gave a keynote presentation entitled “Pediatric Dentistry Advanced Specialty Education: 2006 and Beyond” at the UCLA Pediatric Dentistry Alumni Day in August 2006. Dr. Troutman also gave a continuing education presentation entitled “Pediatric Oral Health and Pediatric Medicine: an Alliance for Child Health” at the Thousand Oaks Kaiser Hospital Department of Pediatric Medicine Grand Rounds in December 2006.

The 10th Edition of Clinical Periodontology has been released complete with an innovative approach used in a dental textbook for the first time—online updates via the e-edition. This electronic version is fully searchable with an image library, video demonstrations, links to references and other resources. The content is continuously updated with new knowledge of current research and important developments in the industry.

Dr. Doina Panaite ’03, Cert, Perio ’06 received the Kramer Scholar Award for Excellence given by the AAP Foundation to the candidate who demonstrates personal motivation for excellence in both character and academic achievement. Three of our recent graduates passed part II of the American Board of Periodontology Exam during 06-07 earning Board Diplomate status. Dr. Camargo was elected a fellow of the American College of Dentists. Dr. Haake was promoted to full Professor and served as director of knowledge management for the School of Dentistry. Dr. Henry Takei was honored with the Master Clinician Award at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Periodontology, a recognition of his leadership and extraordinary skills as a periodontal surgeon. Dr. E. Barrie Kenney received the American Academy of Periodontology outstanding teacher and mentor award. Dr. Michael Newman retired as Adjunct Professor in June 2007 after decades of dedicated excellence to UCLA Periodontics.
The Division of Diagnostic and Surgical Sciences comprises the Sections of Dental Anesthesiology, Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology, Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology, and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. As a group, these Sections share many common interests with their medical counterparts. Correlating the basic science curriculum with clinical dental practice is a particular strength of the Division’s predoctoral curriculum. All Sections of the Division are also heavily involved in postgraduate education, and two Sections, Dental Anesthesiology and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (OMS), offer residency programs of study. Diagnostic services are provided through the Oral Pathology Diagnostic Laboratory and patient care is provided in the predoctoral and postgraduate clinics, the Faculty Group Dental Practice, the UCLA Medical Center’s main hospital and outpatient surgical center, and private practitioners’ offices. Finally, members of the Division are strongly engaged in basic and clinical research, often in collaboration with colleagues in the Schools of Dentistry, Medicine, and Engineering.

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Dr. Peter Moy continues to direct the UCLA Surgical Dental Implant Center which includes the Straumann Surgical Dental Implant Clinic and the Nobel Biocare Surgical Dental Implant Fellowship program. Nobel Biocare made a generous $2.5 Million endowment to the Section of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery to create the Nobel Biocare Endowed Chair in Surgical Dental Implants. A search committee has been formed to identify candidates for this prestigious new faculty position. Meanwhile surgical implant fellow Dr. Doina Panaite, (a UCLA dental school alumnus and graduate of the UCLA periodontics residency program) won first place in the poster research competition at the Nobel Biocare World Tour in Las Vegas in May 2007.

Research

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and maxillofacial surgical services to children.

The Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology Clinic continues to benefit from new technologies. In particular the number of patients for cone-beam imaging has been growing rapidly. This practice has been recently stimulated by the introduction of a 3DX Accuitomo machine made by J. Morita to supplement the NewTom. The Morita machine is particularly attractive because of the very highly detailed images it provides of bone and teeth. Our practice consists of patients referred for imaging of the temporomandibular joint, alveolar bones for implants or periodontal assessment, facial structures for orthodontic treatment planning, and teeth for cracks or other disease.

Dr. Russell Christensen has joined with his Department of Pathology colleagues at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA in a major new clinical outreach enterprise in which they now provide expert consultations on a nationwide basis. This new contract immediately increased the Section’s ability to review rare and difficult cases and will further establish the UCLA Oral Pathology Service among the country’s elite diagnostic centers. The School has also interviewed several excellent candidates for the position created by Dr. Sapp’s retirement. The applicants interviewed all have specialty board certification and very strong research qualifications. We hope to have a new person on board soon.

Awards and Other Activities

The American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons awarded the prestigious Laskin Award in Education to Dr. Harold Hargis at their annual meeting in September 2006. Dr. Hargis was recognized for his years of excellence in teaching oral and maxillofacial surgery to dental students and residents.

Dr. Tara Aghaloo received her Ph.D. degree this year after defending her thesis entitled “Parathyroid hormone and 1,25-dihydroxyvitamin D3 regulation of the vitamin D receptor in osteoblasts.” She is the only faculty member at UCLA with the D.DS., M.D., and Ph.D. degrees. This past year she served as president of the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Group of the International and American Association for Dental Research, and she even found the time to give birth to a second beautiful daughter.

The OMS residents also were very productive. Four residents (Drs. Walline, Kupferman, Kim, and Olsen) had a total of five babies (Dr. Walline with twins) this past year. During 06-07, two OMS faculty provided exceptional service to organizations beyond the dental school. Dr. Alan Felsenfeld continued this year as editor of the Journal of the California Dental Association. Dr. Vivek Shetty served as Chair of UCLA’s Academic Senate. These are the only dental school faculty members to ever hold their respective and important positions.

Drs. Yagiela and Christine Quinn attended the 11th International Dental Congress on Modern Pain Control of the International Federation of Dental Anesthesia Societies (IFDAS) held in Yokohama, Japan this past October. Both gave invited keynote addresses at the triennial meeting as well as research presentations. Dr. Yagiela also was honored by receiving the Horace Wells Award, the highest award given by IFDAS, for his career contributions to anesthesia and pain control in dentistry.

Dr. Quinn was elected president-elect of the American Society of Dentist Anesthesiologists. She is the first woman to be elected to that post. Dr. Yagiela was elected vice president of the American Dental Board of Anesthesiology (ADBA) for a second term; Dr. Quinn preceded him in this position, which is responsible for preparing and administering the board examinations for the ADBA.

Dr. Magyar was appointed Assistant Researcher. Dr. Deng was awarded a change of series to Assistant Professor in Residence.

Lastly, Dr. Stuart White was given the title of Distinguished Professor by UCLA. To receive this advancement, a professor must be “of the highest distinction, whose work has been nationally and, where relevant, internationally recognized and acclaimed.” Congratulations to Dr. White!

Photos left to right, opposite page: Dr. John Yagiela (far right of image) receives the Horace Wells Award, the highest honor given by IFDAS; UCLA oral surgeons, residents and students volunteer their time in Mexico with Thousand Smiles. Photos this page: Using 3DX Accuitomo, cone-beam examination of unerupted third molar shows encroachment of roots onto mandibular canal in sagittal plane (left) and coronal plane (right).
The Division of Oral Biology and Medicine in the School of Dentistry is made up of two Sections: the Section of Oral Biology and the Section of Oral Medicine and Orofacial Pain.

Oral Biology is that area of knowledge that deals with the development, structure, and function of the oral tissues and organs and their interrelationships with other organ systems in both normal and disease states. It is a multidisciplinary field that includes cell biology, virology, molecular biology, biochemistry, morphology, neuroscience, immunology, pathobiology, microbiology, immunoneuroendocrinology, and evidence-based dentistry.

The Section of Oral Biology serves multiple functions within the School of Dentistry: it provides basic science classes in the disciplines mentioned above for the dental students, provides graduate-level science classes in these same areas for the oral biology master's and doctoral degree students, and conducts seminal research to find novel therapies for dental diseases. The objective of the dental school classes and the graduate program is to provide all students with a sound foundation in the sciences, whether basic or in-depth, so that they are equipped to pursue academic, clinical or research careers.

The Section of Oral Medicine and Orofacial Pain is comprised of two separate specialties. Oral Medicine is the specialty of dentistry that deals with the diagnosis and non-surgical management of medically related disorders and oral diseases affecting the oral and maxillofacial region. The specialty of Orofacial Pain deals with the prevention, evaluation, diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation of chronic orofacial pain disorders and jaw dysfunction.

Graduate Programs

The Oral Biology Graduate Program offers both a terminal master's degree and a Ph.D. This program also offers four different articulated degrees including the combined D.D.S./M.S. or D.D.S./Ph.D. program and the combined Certificate/M.S. or certificate/Ph.D. program. Our goal is to train scientists who will undertake groundbreaking research in oral biology and expand the understanding of the processes in the oral cavity.

Master's Degree Program

The 21 incoming master's degree students (nine women and twelve men) include eight UCLA School of Dentistry residents and one dental student. Eight of the master's program students began their studies in the spring quarter of 2007. They joined the 41 other master's students already enrolled in our program. The remaining students accepted this year will begin their studies in the fall of 2007.

Nine master's degree students graduated in June of 2007. We are extremely proud of these students, their dedication and their achievements! Please enjoy the wonderful breadth of oral biology research projects completed by these M.S. students:

Mita Naveen Jethwani: “Triggering EGF Receptor is Responsible for Increased Lysis of Oral Tumor Cells: Contributory Role of Immune Effectors,” Committee chair: Dr. Anahid Jewett

James Aaron Kelly: “Osseotite and Nanotite Implant Placement in a Healthy Rat Model and in a Vitamin D Deficient Rat Model,” Committee chair: Dr. Ichiro Nishimura

Hao-Fu Lee: “Stress Analysis of Maxillary Expansion in Customized FEM Models,” Committee co-chairs: Dr. Kang Ting and Dr. Robert Chiu

Ph.D. Degree Program

The incoming Ph.D. class includes four students, one of whom also will be in UCLA's orthodontics residency program. All

Brett Peter Lent: “Perceived Chewing Difficulty in Dentate Persons and Complete Denture Wearers,” Committee co-chairs: Dr. Neal Garrett and Dr. Douglas Junge

Trang Thuy Nguyen: “Characterization of Genes that Upregulate Mutacin I Production in Streptococcus mutans,” Committee chair: Dr. Wenyuan Shi

Hyun Jung Park: “HIF-1a Expression Under Intermittent and Sustained Hypoxia in Cerebellum,” Committee co-chairs: Dr. Jeanne Nervina and Dr. Eung-Kwon Pae

Sheldon Kelvin Salins: “Parathyroid Hormone Induces rhogap8 mRNA in Primary Mouse Osteoblasts Via the MAPK and cAMP-PKA Pathways,” Committee chair: Dr. Jeanne Nervina

Nichole Hong Sun: “An Investigation on the Interaction Between Ad-Nell-1 and Ad-BMP-2 on Adipose Derived Adult Stromal Cells,” Committee co-chairs: Dr. Kang Ting and Dr. Jeanne Nervina

Wendy Yang: “An Exploration of the Differentiation or Death of Stem Cells, Smooth Muscle Cells, and Epithelial Cells in the Absence or Presence of Immune Cells,” Committee chair: Dr. Anahid Jewett
the Ph.D. students will begin their programs in the fall of 2007. They will join the other nine graduate students already in the program.

Three Ph.D. students graduated in June of 2007. We are extremely proud of these students, their years of dedicated work, and their achievements! Below are the titles of their doctoral dissertations—seminal work by each of these women will add greatly to the understanding of the processes in the oral cavity and lead to better treatments for oral diseases:

**Tara Lyn Aghaloo:** “Parathyroid Hormone and 1,25-dihydroxyvitamin D3 Regulation of the Vitamin D Receptor in Osteoblasts,” Committee chair: Dr. Sotirios Tetradis

**Schryl Duadico Castaneda:** “Characterizing the Regulatory Role of the dif Chemotaxis Operon in Exopolysaccharide Production and Motility in Myxococcus Xanthus,” Committee chair: Dr. Wenyuan Shi

**Lin Zhu:** “Physiological and Genetic Characterization of Surface Components Involved in Adherence and Pathogenesis in Streptococcus mutans,” Committee chair: Dr. Wenyuan Shi

**Bradley Henson,** Visiting Assistant Professor to Assistant Professor-in- Residence, Step II, Effective 07/01/07

**Yong Kim,** Assistant Researcher/Lecturer to Adjunct Assistant Professor, Effective 07/01/07

**Ting-Ting Wu,** Assistant Researcher, Step IV, Effective 12/01/06

**Promotions:**

**Francesco Chiappelli,** Associate Professor, Step IV, to Professor, Step I, Effective 07/01/07

**Shen Hu,** Adjunct Assistant Professor, Step IV, to Adjunct Associate Professor, Step I, Effective 07/01/07

**Dr. Diana Messadi** was promoted to Professor, Step II, in July 2006

**Dr. Craig Woods** was promoted to Adjunct Professor, Step I, Effective 07/01/07

**Dr. Steven Graff-Radford** was promoted to Adjunct Professor, Step I, in July 2006

**Dr. Fariba Younai** was promoted to Clinical Professor, Step II, Effective 07/01/07

**Dr. John Reeves** was promoted to Adjunct Professor, Step II, Effective 07/01/07

**Merits:**

**Anahid Jewett,** Associate Professor, Step II, to Associate Professor, Step III, Effective 07/01/07

**Shen Pang,** Adjunct Associate Professor, Step II, to Adjunct Associate Professor, Step III, Effective 07/01/07

**Jun Song,** Adjunct Assistant Professor, Step I, to Adjunct Assistant Professor, Step II, Effective 07/01/07

**Special Awards & Activities**

Dr. George Bernard was honored as Distinguished Alumnus of the Year by Washington University School of Dentistry. Dr. Diana Messadi was a speaker at the UCLA Global Research Institute with a presentation entitled “Oral Cancer Detection and Chemoprevention: A Global Perspective.” Dr. Avina Paranjpe, Ph.D. student, was awarded First Place in the annual poster competition. Dr. Sarnat was honored as a Marshall of the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA graduation ceremony. Dr. Midori Tachibana, a postdoctoral student and a resident in the endodontics program, received an American Association of Endodontics (AAE) grant under Dr. Anahid Jewett’s mentorship. Dr. David T. Wong was selected as a 2006 Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. In 2007, Dr. Wong received honorary membership in the American Academy of Oral Medicine and was named the 2007 Saliva Researcher of the Year by the International Association of Dental Research. Dr. Craig Woods was a guest editor of the Journal of the California Dental Association in March 2007 for the issue covering the psychology of the dentist-patient relationship. He was also a speaker on the same topic at the CDA’s Anaheim meeting.

**Photos left to right, opposite page:** Dr. Anahid Jewett’s research demonstrates that N-acetyl cysteine protects the pulp cells from undergoing cell death and growth inhibition after composite restorations in vivo. Image (A) shows no restoration, (B) shows composite restoration, and (C) shows composite restorations with NAC applied; Dr. Cun-Yu Wang is the new chair of the Division of Oral Biology & Medicine; Dr. Schryl Duadico Castaneda and fiancé Anthony Alonso; Dr. Bernard Sarnat served as Marshall at the 2007 commencement ceremony for the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. **Photo this page:** Staff member Pauli Nuttle and oral biology graduate students at commencement.
Through the Division of Public Health and Community Dentistry’s teaching programs, research, grant funding and community service, we continue to meet the challenge of providing oral health care to the community.

Teaching Programs

The Division has an active didactic teaching program that consists of coursework in ethics, behavioral sciences, cultural awareness, regulation, preventive dentistry, practice management, health policy and quality assurance. Many of our courses are taught in small groups and we appreciate the number of volunteer faculty who help with these. They bring to the classroom their own experiences in community health which are greatly appreciated by our students.

Dr. Nancy Reifel adapted a new technology to our fourth-year course, Quality Assurance. The Calibrated Peer Review program developed by UCLA was used as a platform to instruct students on how to find and apply published professional standards of care, conduct quality of care chart reviews, and communicate with their peers on quality of care issues. Students used these new skills to develop a quality improvement plan for a dental clinic. The course presented challenges for students and faculty as we learned to use the technology to our fourth-year course, Quality Assurance.

Community Service

Under the direction of Dr. Nancy Reifel and Dr. Vladimir Spolsky we have provided oral health services at twenty community health fairs since July 1, 2006. We screened the oral health of 1,396 people, provided 1,146 sealants to 205 people, and provided topical fluoride to 508 people. Seventy-five dental students participated in these fairs. Additionally, twice a month this year, students provided dental services to teens at Common Ground in Venice. Common Ground provides comprehensive social services and public education programs to Westside residents living with and at risk for HIV. They ensure that people of diverse cultural backgrounds, those living in poverty, youth, and people who are homeless are able to access their services. The Division’s faculty members provide supervision at community health fairs held on Saturdays and Sundays and at Common Ground on Tuesday evenings.

The UCLA Oral Health Promotion Program (Promotoras) was in operation from July 1, 2006 to February 30, 2007. During that time, the staff provided oral health education and preventive services to 325 children and their families. The program worked with the Volunteers of America Child Care Resource Center, Head Start programs and the Urban Education Partnership School Readiness program to provide services at sites throughout the San Fernando Valley. We are delighted to report that the UniHealth Foundation will be continuing support of this well-received program.

Patient Care

The Wilson-Jennings-Bloomfield Dental Clinic at the Addie Klotz Student Health Center at CSUN, in operation since July 2005, and Mission Community Hospital in San Fernando, in operation two days per week since December 2005. Both have a UCLA faculty dentist as the director. Under the direction of Dr. Thomson Sun, the CSUN clinic provides clinical experiences for third- and fourth-year dental students on a rotation basis as well as volunteer opportunities in front office and chair-side assistance for pre-dental students. The groundwork has been laid for student rotation at the three-chair Mission Clinic to serve the San Fernando community.

Research Projects and Grant Funding

Division faculty published thirteen journal articles and book chapters during academic year 06-07. Our research continues to highlight our goal to care for the community. UCLA School of Dentistry is one of four California dental schools funded by the California Endowment since March 2003 for participation in the Pipeline, Profession and Practice: Community-Based Dental Education (Dental Pipeline) program. Dr. Marvin Marcus is the PI. These funds enable the Division to recruit and retain an increased number of
underrepresented minority students; reform the curricula to integrate community-based practice experience and courses in cultural competency, public health, and the social and behavioral sciences; establish community-based clinical education programs; and create a state and national policy agenda that will sustain the efforts of the Dental Pipeline program.

The fourth year of the UCLA Post-Baccalaureate Program is completed. One of the 06–07 post-baccalaureate students will be attending dental school in the fall at Howard University in Washington, D.C. Of the eleven UCLA School of Dentistry post-bacc students who completed the program during the first three years, six are currently attending or have been accepted to a California dental school, two have been accepted to dental school outside California, and one has been accepted to a Master’s of Public Health program.

We received a $1.7-Million three-year grant from the UniHealth Foundation in 2006 to assist the Venice Dental Center and the Venice Family Clinic to integrate and facilitate the care between these two local clinics in order to increase the access to dental services in the Westside community. Dr. Marvin Marcus is the principal investigator.

Dr. Kathryn Atchison serves as the PI of an RO1 grant, “Patient Preferences for Treatment of Mandibular Fracture,” and of an RO3 “Health Literacy” study in which she is examining the effect of culture and health literacy on accessing preventive services in a dental clinic.

Dr. Melanie Gironda is the PI on the Archstone Foundation’s Elder Abuse and Neglect Initiative. This two-year project helps to increase dental health professionals’ awareness of elder abuse and self neglect.

At the end of the academic year, the Howard Hughes Medical Institute informed PI Dr. Marvin Marcus that the UCLA School of Dentistry was the only dental school in the country to be awarded a 2007 Biomedical Research Institutions Initiative grant. The award, which grants a total of $748,337 over five years, will enable the School to implement an extensive pre-college science education program to introduce gifted high school juniors and seniors from disadvantaged backgrounds to careers in oral health and scientific research. This project will involve a number of faculty members in various divisions in the School of Dentistry and is yet another example of how the interest of the community is served through innovative educational programs.

Faculty News

Dr. Kathryn Atchison and Dr. Vladimir Spolsky provided service to our national dental organizations. Dr. Atchison served as president of the American Association of Public Health Dentistry (AAPHD) from 2006-2007, and is now immediate past president. As president, she promoted the ongoing collaboration of professional organizations in dentistry to seek funding to develop the methods and metrics for conducting evaluations of workforce demonstrations. Dr. Spolsky is an elected councilor for the Section of Community and Preventive Dentistry, American Association of Public Health Dentistry and is the American Dental Education Association’s representative to the Healthy People Curriculum Task Force. Dr. Ian Coulter serves as the chair of the UCLA Senate Committee on Education Abroad. Since his return from a leave of absence during which he served as director of the Samueli Institute for Information Biology’s (SIIB) Clinical Research Program and Integrative Medicine, Dr. Coulter now holds the title of vice president for Integrative Medicine and Clinical Research for SIIB. The SIIB is a non-profit, non-affiliated organization that conducts and supports health care research in areas such as patient-centered approaches, healing environments, complementary therapies and traditional medicines.

Dr. Carl Maida served as president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science/Pacific Division for the term July 2006–June 2007.

Dr. Marvin Marcus was honored with the UCLA School of Dentistry award for the Distinguished Faculty Member of 2006-2007 at the commencement ceremony of the Class of 2007.

Dr. Edward Maggiore, a faculty member in the Division of Public Health and Community Dentistry since 1981, passed away on January 24, 2007. A remembrance ceremony was held at the Venice Dental Center on February 12, 2007 where a plaque was presented in his memory.

Photos left to right, opposite page: Dr. Nancy Reifel provides a fluoride treatment to a Head Start student enrolled in the Promotoras program; Post-baccalaureate students present their preventive dentistry poster. Photos left to right, this page: Students demonstrate the fundamentals of toothbrush design; The plaque in honor of the late Dr. Edward Maggiore that will hang at the renovated Venice Dental Center.
The Division of Restorative Dentistry encompasses the preclinical and clinical areas of operative dentistry, fixed prosthodontics, esthetics, clinical applications of dental morphology and occlusion, and geriatric dentistry. The Division’s postdoctoral program is the Advanced Education in General Dentistry (AEGD) program which offers both one-year and two-year postdoctoral training for dentists seeking additional instruction in all phases of general dentistry. In addition, the Center for Esthetic Dentistry offers a two-year Master Lab Technician Program and a one-year Esthetic Dentistry Preceptorship.

Teaching Programs and Responsibilities
The chair is Dr. Richard G. Stevenson III ’86 and the vice-chair is Dr. Edmond Hewlett ’80. The Division currently has eight full-time faculty members with a substantial share of the teaching responsibility carried out by more than 100 part-time and volunteer faculty. The full-time faculty includes Drs. Janet Bauer (who chairs the geriatric dentistry course), Edmond Hewlett (who chairs the esthetic dentistry course), Robert Lindemann, Edward McLaren, William Morgan (who chairs the preclinical fixed prosthodontics course), Reuben Kim, Richard Stevenson (who chairs the courses clinical applications in dental morphology and occlusion, and advanced restorative dentistry, and also leads the restorative dentistry clinic), and Jay Watson. Part-time faculty member Dr. Andy Wong chairs the preclinical operative course.

The restorative dentistry teaching clinic underwent a radical change beginning July 2006 with the reconfiguration of the clinic setting. The implementation of “home cubicles” for predoctoral students in conjunction with “same day appointment” periodontics coverage, has tremendously increased clinic productivity, made visits easier for patients, increased the number of students achieving competency in a timely manner, and dramatically decreased student stress. The home cubicule arrangement was made possible with an increase of faculty coverage and the appointment of group directors whose responsibilities include more direct involvement on the clinic floor.

The Division’s major efforts in community service continue through both its pre-doctoral and AEGD residency programs. The AEGD program continues running its two programs, one at Westwood and one at the Venice Dental Center, with six residents in each location. The Senior Select program for our predoctoral students at the Venice Dental Center continues for the fifth year under the direction of Dr. William Morgan.

In association with the Division of Public Health and Community Dentistry and under the direction of Dr. Thomson Sun, predoctoral students have the opportunity to treat patients at the Klotz Student Health Center at California State University, Northridge. The program is in its third year.

Dr. Joseph Dautremont continued offering his Non-Confrontational Case Presentation selective this fall, winter and spring to third- and fourth-year students to develop their skills in treatment presentation and acceptance.

Dr. Todd Schoenbaum started a General Practice Study Group in the spring.

Recruitments and Promotions
During FY 2006-2007, the Division recruited 18 volunteer faculty members to replace some faculty and to help support the Division in the general clinic and the pre-clinical courses. Six part-time paid faculty have been hired. This brings our total part-time paid faculty to 39 and our part-time volunteer faculty to 64.

Service on Committees
Drs. Stevenson and Hewlett chair two sub-committees of the School of Dentistry Curriculum Reform Committee: the Form, Function and Esthetics Sub-committee and the Caries Track Sub-committee, respectively. This year, Dr. Lindemann was elected to UCLA and national committees. At UCLA, he served as chair of the Five-year Review Committee–Dean, School of Public Health. For the University of California, he participated in the Loan Repayment Assistance Program Committee and the Summit on Faculty Diversity in the Health Sciences. And on a national level, he served as an ADEA/AADR Mentor for the Academic Dental Careers Fellowship Program.

Research
Dr. Reuben Kim has been awarded two grants: a Faculty Research Grant in the amount of $10,000 to make progress on the identification of hsp90-interacting proteins that play a determinant role in hTERT transcription activation; and an NIDCR/NIH Career Development K08 Award in the amount of $573,387 to study the combined effect of HIV and HPV in oral cancer.
Special Recognitions

Dr. Richard G. Stevenson III obtained Board Certification in Operative Dentistry from the American Board of Operative Dentistry. Only 55 people in the world have obtained this recognition and he is the first UCLA faculty member to do so. He received this award at a ceremony in Chicago in February 2007. Dr. Gilda Banta recently completed the Postgraduate Program in Esthetic Dentistry. Dr. Joseph Dautremont received his MAGD award from the Academy of General Dentistry on June 30 at the Annual Meeting in San Diego. Dr. Donald Fisher, Professor Emeritus, and Dr. Michael Gritz were selected by the Class of 2007 as their favorite preclinical teacher and their favorite clinical teacher, respectively, at the Senior Awards Ceremony on June 1, 2007. Dr. William Morgan was honored as Alumnus of the Year by the UCLA School of Dentistry Alumni Association.

Photos left to right, opposite page: Dr. Donald Fisher teaches a student in the preclinical lab; Dr. Esteban Bonilla surrounded by attentive students.
Photos left to right, this page: Before and after: another pleasing smile courtesy of Restorative Dentistry; Dr. Bill Morgan; Dr. Isabel David and former staff member Glorianne Macklin; Drs. Stevenson and Hewlett; Dr. Stevenson presents a plaque to Dr. Mitra Mogharabi; Dr. James Uhrik; Dr. Sue Spackman.

Recognizing the Dedication of Our Part-Time Faculty

Our first annual Division dinner, organized by Restorative Dentistry administrative assistant Manuela Britsch, was held June 4, 2007 at the Faculty Center. This event provided us with an opportunity to look ahead to the coming changes in the caries curriculum. It also gave us the chance to look back, and reflect on the dedicated efforts of our faculty. That evening, we recognized part-time faculty with plaques and certificates to honor their longtime involvement in our teaching program.

Honored for 25 years of service was Dr. Michael Gritz. Honored for 20 years of service were Drs. Kenneth Harada, Mitra Mogharabi, James Uhrik, and Eva Yancey. Honored for 10 years of service were Drs. Esteban Bonilla, Dave Famili, Allen Inouye, James Lim, Firouzeh Manesh, Ray Padilla, Hyon-Young Park, Sue Spackman, and Abraham Urbach. Honored for five years of service were Drs. Yosi Payam Behroozan, Joseph Dautremont, Connie Ho, Philip Jen Kin, Kambiz Kohani, Richard Maitin, Pezhman Mansourian, Harold Perlaza, Mark Perez, Saeed Razi, John Wayland, and Jason Yoo.

Course chairs also were recognized for their long-standing efforts. Dr. Janet Bauer received a plaque recognizing her work on the courses Long-Term Care and Gerontology and Long-Term Care and Geriatric Dentistry. Dr. Edmond Hewlett was recognized for his work leading the course in Esthetic Dentistry. Dr. William Morgan was recognized for his work leading the course in Fixed Prosthodontics. Dr. Andy Wong was recognized for his work leading the course in Operative Dentistry. Finally, although Dr. Michael Gritz no longer chairs Operative Dentistry, he was recognized for his early contribution and involvement in the development of the course.

We hope to gather the Restorative faculty family again next year for another evening of good company, fine food, informative lectures and, of course, heartfelt appreciation.
The School of Dentistry is proud to acknowledge that UCLA has become the worldwide leader in advanced dental education. As such, we will consistently seek to grow and expand our advanced educational programs so that we will serve as a model for others and set the standard far into the future. We have the facility, the educators, and the curriculum that help the dental community elevate its healthcare knowledge, skills, and delivery.

During this past fiscal year, the Continuing Education (CE) program continued to expand and thrive. Its success was due to the ongoing commitment of the staff and leadership that helped provide dentistry professionals with the latest information (as it is all about content) taught by the finest educators in the world.

The Continuing Education program conducted more than 67 courses offered to members of the UCLA alumni family and to the local dental community. CE also offered more than 36 faculty development courses during 06-07. Our cutting-edge classes in aesthetics, endodontics and implants, which are presented in continuum format and provide opportunities for hands-on learning, continue to be extremely popular. These courses have become a staple of our curriculum of higher learning.

Our annual Hawai‘i program (which is always offered on the 4th of July holiday weekend) was held in Kauai this year and yielded a sell-out event. We had a pre-conference at Princeville followed by the main symposium at the Grand Hyatt. This program attracts a growing number of UCLA alums each year (why not have your class reunion out there?), so be sure to contact the Continuing Education Office if you are interested in joining us next year in Maui from June 30 to July 4, 2008. We will have a pre-conference in Lanai on Saturday, June 28.

For more information about Continuing Education at the UCLA School of Dentistry, please contact us at (310) 206-8388 or send an email to: cde@dentistry.ucla.edu.
Our Dental Alumni Association had another very successful year. Participation by our alumni was up and we added new events and programs to our calendar.

Cocktail Reception at the ADA in Las Vegas
On the evening of October 17, 2006 during the ADA convention in Las Vegas, the UCLA Dental Alumni Association hosted a cocktail reception at the Mandalay Bay Hotel. More than 200 alumni and friends stopped by to say hello and enjoy hors d'oeuvres and cocktails. Motivated by the success of this event, we will be hosting a second annual ADA cocktail reception in San Francisco on September 28, 2007 at the Westin San Francisco from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. We would love to see you there.

Annual Alumni Breakfast and Lecture
Our annual alumni breakfast and lecture was held on Saturday, November 4, 2006. Dr. Shahriar Parvizpour ’95 spoke to us on the topic of current implant restorative materials and techniques. In addition, Dr. Ronald Mito ’76 gave us his perspective of the dental school from his unique point of view as both an administrator, an educator, a practitioner and, of course, the immediate past alumni president. After the program, Dr. David Altman ’78 escorted the group on a tour of the school. To cap the day, everyone headed to the Sunset Canyon Recreation Center for the all-dental school picnic where food and fun were in abundance.

Reunion and Awards Luncheon
We hosted our annual reunion and awards luncheon this year at the Anaheim Marriott Hotel on May 5, 2007. A record 300 alumni, students and friends gathered to reconnect and to honor Bill Morgan, D.D.S. ’73 as our alumnus of the year; John Campbell, Ph.D. as our honorary alumnus of the year; and the classes of ’72, ’77, ’82, ’87, ’92, ’97 and 2002. The event was enlivened this year with a slide show featuring the honorees.

Dean’s Reception
Dean No-Hee Park hosted a CDA reception the evening of May 5 from 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. A huge crowd of more than 600 people joined Dean Park in a hotel ballroom for hors d’oeuvres and cocktails. Everyone had a great time visiting with fellow alumni and friends.

Silent Auction
Our auction kicked off during the CDA luncheon and concluded during the Dean’s Reception. This year, attendees bid on 28 items, from coveted sports and theater tickets and luxury hotel packages to private flights, high-end cosmetics and dentistry-related items. The auction yielded $7,530 which will be used to fund alumni activities and student support.

Dental Student General Practice Study Group
The UCLA Dental Alumni Association is working closely with Dr. Todd Schoenbaum ’05 to support the newly organized general practice study club for alumni and dental students. To date, the group has held two meetings. The first focused on a realistic approach to seeking employment and featured a panel of recent and not-so-recent grads who gave advice and examples to members of the Class of 2007. The topic of the second meeting was risk management. Representatives of The Dental Insurance Corporation were present to advise how to minimize exposure to risk in a dental practice and explain the ins and outs of dental malpractice insurance.

As our alumni family increases in number each year, we look forward to attendance at alumni events growing as well. We hope all this year’s graduates, whether from the D.D.S., M.S., Ph.D., or residency programs, think of UCLA as home.

Photos left to right, this page: Bailey Andrus and Elisa Manwaring, children of dental students Kevin Andrus and Richard Manwaring, respectively, embrace at the School Picnic; Drs. Robert Lindemann and Roger Lent congratulate Dr. William Morgan ’73 on receiving the honor of Alumnus of the Year. Photo next page: Dr. John Campbell beams as he holds aloft his award for Honorary Alumnus of the Year.
Every day, we get several calls from people throughout the country looking for a UCLA graduate to be their dentist. To respond to this need, we are in the process of adding a “Find a UCLA Dentist” section to our website. To date, more than 300 alums have signed up to become a part of this free referral service. To be included, all we need is your name, office address, office phone number, and email address. If you would like to participate, please contact Dr. David Altman by email at: daltman@dentistry.ucla.edu.

LOST DDS ALUMNI
Daniel J. Brooks ’90
Michelle L. Cabret ’96
Tracy S. Cheung ’93
Thomas Danos ’69
Wayne A. Engbreton ’73
John S. Evered ’80
Anzhela Faradzhyan ’99
Peggy Fard ’04
Lance L. Forsythe ’71
Lisa J. Grossman ’91
Sue E. Ko ’04
Robert C. Lincoln ’78
Shahriar Motamed ’03
Garrett S. Nelson ’99
Harry K. Okamoto ’77
Hyung W. Paek ’88
Judith A. Salcedo-Aldaz ’00
Paranak S. Selki ’97
Sang J. Shin ’79
Greg Shinnerer ’76
Peiman Soleymani ’97
Craig K. Sommer ’78

Dr. Jay R. Stevens, Jr. ’71
Kristian P. Tjon ’05
Thuy C. Truong ’94
Risto J. Tuominen ’85
Patricia H. Wilkes ’80

LOST MS ALUMNI
Constantinos Alexandridis ’79
Fernando Baldiocaeda ’88
Geber T. Bittar, Jr. ’92
Heloiza E. Blanc ’86
Dermot W. Canavan ’94
Michele J. Dimaia ’95
Erwin T. Egloff ’89
Ricardo P. Filho ’92
Eiji Ichida ’84
Susan W. Maina ’93
Eamonn A. Murphy ’01
Evaelia Papazeannouliasa ’79
Andrea Pilloni ’92
Efstratios Poumpros ’92
Gloria Premoli De Percoco ’85
Julio C. Sa Ferreira ’86

Update Your Email Record
Help us update our alumni email database. A few of our alums have mentioned that they have not been receiving our email event notices and newsletters. In October 2007, we plan to send a “test” email to all our alums. If you do not receive it, please let us know by emailing Dr. David Altman at: daltman@dentistry.ucla.edu.

The Search for Lost Alumni
Since the very first graduation ceremony in 1968, the UCLA School of Dentistry has amassed a huge alumni family. We can count nearly 4,000 D.D.S, M.S., Ph.D. and residency program graduates to date. So it makes sense that in forty years, we would lose touch with a small number of alumni.

If you recognize any of the names that appear at right, please do us the favor of reminding your former classmates that the Alumni Affairs Office is here for them. Please encourage “lost” alumni to contact Dr. David Altman at (310) 206-1022 or daltman@dentistry.ucla.edu. We will update our database with their current address and keep them informed about School events!
A little more than two years into the UCLA School of Dentistry’s 10-year endowment campaign, we have now met almost 25 percent of our $30 Million goal. During FY 06-07, the School received gifts and pledges of more than $4,500,000, placing it among the top ranks of dental schools in the nation with respect to philanthropic support.

The generosity of the UCLA School of Dentistry’s many benefactors among its alumni, friends in the community, and the corporate and foundation sectors enables the institution to advance its mission of practicing excellence in the realms of teaching, research, and patient care. The creation of new endowed academic chairs, scholarships, research and special projects funds and an endowment for the institution itself will secure the School’s position at the forefront of dental medicine now and in the future. Highlights of the past year include:

**David and Miki Lee Endowed Scholarship Fund**
The School received a very generous pledge of $1 Million from Dr. David Y. Lee and his wife Dr. Miki Nam Lee ‘83 for the creation of the David and Miki Lee Endowed Scholarship Fund. This fund will provide scholarships for students in our predoctoral program who demonstrate outstanding academic excellence, leadership, and public service. In the past, the Lees have donated cubicles in the general clinic and the Bisco Teaching Laboratory and have supported many other fundraising initiatives. In recognition of this new pledge, the D.D.S. students’ simulation laboratory will be named in their honor.

**Wilson-Jennings-Bloomfield UCLA Venice Dental Center Expansion**
The School of Dentistry hosted a groundbreaking ceremony the morning of February 21, 2007 to celebrate a major expansion and renovation of the Wilson-Jennings-Bloomfield UCLA Venice Dental Center. This important project, made possible by the generosity of Bob and Marion Wilson and Peggy Bloomfield, will add a seven-chair, dedicated pediatric dentistry wing to the clinic and also will modernize the building’s façade and general patient waiting area. Completion of the work is expected in the fall of 2007 at which time the School of Dentistry plans to host a ribbon-cutting ceremony and community open house. The donors’ continued support is crucial to the growth of this vital community clinic.

**Dr. Sherwin Z. Rosen Scholarship**
A new annual scholarship recognizing service to the community was established by family and friends in memory of Dr. Sherwin Z. Rosen, who served for more than a decade as an adjunct professor at the UCLA School of Dentistry. Four generations of the Rosen family were present for the inaugural awarding of the Rosen Scholarship at the School’s Annual Scholarship Awards Ceremony April 25, 2007. Dr. Rosen’s wife, Mrs. Debora Rosen, presented the scholarship to Neilesh Patel ’08. The UCLA School of Dentistry thanks the Rosen family for its thoughtful generosity in establishing this scholarship which will honor Dr. Sherwin Rosen in perpetuity.
Campaign to Establish an Endowed Chair in Pediatric Dentistry

In the spring of 2007, a campaign co-chaired by Dr. Mark S. Lisagor ’73, Cert, Pediatric Dentistry and Dr. Scott T. Jacks ’76, and fueled by alumni of the Pediatric Dentistry residency program, reached its goal of gifts and pledges of $500,000 for the creation of a new Term Endowed Chair. The School will shortly initiate the process for the creation of this new chair to be named in honor of Dr. Thomas Barber, who served as the director of the Pediatric Dentistry residency program for many years.

Apollonian Society

In fiscal year 06-07, Apollonian Society and Apollonian Society Parents’ Fund contributions totaled $230,374. Additionally, the Apollonian Society received more than $100,000 in in-kind gifts from several corporate partners. During the last three years, the Apollonian Society, co-chaired by Dr. Ronald S. Mito ’76 and Dr. Thomas J. Rauth ’73, has raised nearly $1,000,000 and has made possible many important innovations and improvements on behalf of students including the creation of an annual white coat ceremony for first-year students, a patient care fund that helps low-income patients continue their treatment and enables students to complete their clinical requirements, the establishment of a student research publication, the purchase of ten endodontic microscopes, and many other initiatives.

Each donation represents a commitment to a new generation of dentists and an investment in the future of the profession. We thank everyone for their support.
The UCLA School of Dentistry wishes to recognize and thank the following individuals, corporations, academic institutions, and foundations whose extraordinary generosity enables us to pursue our mission of excellence in teaching, research, and community service. The generous support of all of our donors is deeply appreciated.

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Our $30 Million goal is ambitious, but clearly within reach. Thanks to the generosity of several alumni and friends, we have already raised more than $7 Million since the campaign began. If you would like to join the endowment campaign, there are a variety of ways to contribute. Please consider:

• Naming opportunities to honor your family or a beloved faculty member;
• Forming a group to collectively endow a chair or scholarship fund;
• Converting a $50,000 money market account into an annuity to be allotted for endowment; or
• Providing a future gift of real estate through a trust agreement.

Please contact Thomas H. Mitchell at (310) 206-6079 for more information.
The Apollonian Society

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To date, Dr. Bud and Linda Tarrson, Dr. Tom Bales and Dr. Jack Weichman deserve credit for the creation of three endowed chairs. The Board successfully completed two major capital campaigns to renovate our general clinic (The Robin and Steve Kim Dental Clinic) and our preclinical teaching laboratory (The Bisco Dental Teaching Laboratory), and spearheaded numerous fundraising initiatives for the creation of the Weintraub Center for Reconstructive Biotechnology, the Bales Orthodontic Clinic, the Yip Center for Oral/Head and Neck Oncology Research, the Peggy and Jim Schaefer Student Lounge and other projects. Numerous cubicles and benches throughout the School are a testament to their generosity, as is the junior faculty support fund. Some Board members have established their own scholarships while many others became founding members of the Apollonian Society. A tour of the School reveals the positive contributions that the Board of Counselors has made. It is our pleasure to take this opportunity to recognize and thank all the members of the Board of Counselors for their continued and indispensable support.

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On behalf of the UCLA School of Dentistry community, Dean No-Hee Park wishes to thank Dr. Thomas Bales, Mrs. Robin Kim and Dr. Berge Roubinian for their many years of dedicated service as members of the Board of Counselors.
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