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DEAN’S HONORS DAY

DECEMBER 3, 2020

Celebrating CDM Faculty Accomplishments
9/1/2019–8/31/2020
Congratulations to the College of Dental Medicine (CDM) faculty who are being honored for their achievements, and special thanks to Dr. Lalla for her leadership in support of the faculty.

We are proud to celebrate with those members of our faculty who were promoted and/or recognized for their contributions during the past academic year (2019-2020). While we honor the individual contributions, we are also cognizant of the impact that each honoree makes to the reputation of CDM at-large. It is the pursuit of excellence that distinguishes Columbia from many other institutions of higher education. Being part of the Columbia community, CDM is aware of the mandate that is imposed on us.

Dean’s Honors Day is intended to support the promotion of a culture whereby we acknowledge and cherish the achievements of our faculty in terms of transformational scholarship, excellence in patient care, and exceptional service contributions. May it inspire all of us to strive for more.

Sincerely,

Christian Stohler, DMD, DrMedDent
Dean
ACADEMIC PROMOTIONS

TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Philip Kang, DDS
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Associate Professor of Dental Medicine at the Columbia University Medical Center

Alia Koch, DDS, MD
Section of Hospital Dentistry
Associate Professor of Dental Medicine at the Columbia University Medical Center

TO ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Mona Boside, DMD
Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences
Assistant Professor of Dental Medicine at the Columbia University Medical Center

Angela Ward, EdD
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Assistant Professor of Dental Medicine at the Columbia University Medical Center

Charles Wei, DDS, MPH
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Assistant Professor of Dental Medicine at the Columbia University Medical Center
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Luz Marina Aguirre, DMD  
Director,  
Community DentCare Program

Nurit Bittner-Fogel, DDS, MS  
Interim Director,  
Division of Prosthodontics

Bridget Ferguson, DDS  
Assistant Dean,  
Admissions and Career Planning

James B. Fine, DMD  
Chief Practice Director,  
Faculty Practices

Roseanna Graham, DDS, PhD, MA  
Chair,  
Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

Philip Kang, DDS  
Interim Director,  
Predoctoral Periodontics

Joseph McManus, DMD, MS, MHA, MBA  
Senior Associate Dean,  
Admissions

Biana Roykh, DDS, MPH  
Senior Associate Dean,  
Clinical Affairs  
&  
Dental Director  
Columbia University Healthcare Component
LEADERSHIP APPOINTMENTS

Lynda Torre, DDS
*Interim Director, Health and Safety*

**Center for Dental and Craniofacial Research**

Mildred C. Embree, DMD, PhD
*Associate Director*

Chang Lee, PhD
*Associate Director*

Gordana Vunjak-Novakovic, PhD
*Director*

**COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY IRVING MEDICAL CENTER & NEW YORK-PRESBYTERIAN**

Alia Koch, DDS, MD
*Section of Hospital Dentistry, Director, NewYork-Presbyterian LEAD Academy*

**CUIMC Committee to Address Structural Racism**

Luz Marina Aguirre, DMD
*Section of Growth & Development Member, Healthcare, Disparities, and Solutions Research Working Group*

Steven Chussid, DDS
*Section of Growth & Development Member, Civility and Professionalism Working Group*
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Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Member,
Community and Public Service Working Group

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Section of Growth & Development
Member,
Community and Public Service Working Group

Carol Kunzel, PhD, MA
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Member,
Healthcare, Disparities, and Solutions Research Working Group

Evanthia Lalla, DDS, MS
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Member,
Faculty Recruitment, Retention, Advancement, and Leadership Working Group

Biana Roykh, DDS, MPH
Section of Hospital Dentistry
Member,
Clinical Care Working Group

Dana L. Wolf, DMD, MS
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Member,
Anti-racism Education/Training Working Group
&
Civility and Professionalism Working Group
LEADERSHIP APPOINTMENTS

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Columbia University Faculty Liaison Network,
National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine’s Action
Collaborative on Preventing Sexual Harassment in Higher Education

Evanthia Lalla, DDS, MS
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Representative,
College of Dental Medicine

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Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Representative,
College of Dental Medicine

NATIONAL

Sharon C. Perelman, DDS, MMI
Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences
Member,
EPIC Steering Board for Dentistry
HONORS AND AWARDS

COLLEGE OF DENTAL MEDICINE

Thomas J. Boyle, DMD
Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences
The Edward V. Zegarelli Teaching Award,
CDM Alumni Association

Carol Kunzel, DMD, PhD
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Melvin L. Moss Senior Faculty Award,
CDM Alumni Association

Dennis P. Tarnow, DDS
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Dr. Stanislaw H. Brzustowicz Faculty Award,
CDM Alumni Association

CDM Junior Faculty Development Fund Recipients

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Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

Mina M. Faiek, DMD
Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

Jocelyn P. Magahis, DDS
Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

Charles Wei, DDS, MPH
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

CDM Implant Fellows

Laila Akhlaghi, DDS, BSc
Section of Hospital Dentistry

Ioana L. Chesnoiu Matei, DDS, MSc
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
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Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

Michael McKenzie, DDS  
Section of Cariology & Restorative Sciences

Jaffer Shariff, DDS, MS, MPH  
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

Charles Wei, DDS, MPH  
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences

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Bridget Ferguson, DDS  
Section of Hospital Dentistry  
Participant,  
CUIMC Leadership and Management Course for Faculty

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Yiping Han, PhD  
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences  
Accelerating Cancer Therapeutics Pilot Award,  
Herbert Irving Comprehensive Cancer Center

Fatemeh Momen-Heravi, DDS, PhD, MS, MPH  
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences  
Translational Therapeutics Accelerator Pilot Award,  
Irving Institute for Clinical and Translational Research

REGIONAL

Dennis P. Tarnow, DDS  
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences  
Jerome M. and Dorothy Schweitzer Research Award,  
Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics
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NATIONAL

College of Dental Medicine
2019 Health Professions Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) Award,
INSIGHT Into Diversity Magazine

Bridget Ferguson, DDS
Section of Hospital Dentistry
Fellow,
American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Leadership Institute

Yiping Han, PhD
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Finalist,
Equalize 2020 Pitch Competition and Symposium

Evanthia Lalla, DDS, MS
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Periodontal Research Group Councilor,
American Association for Dental Research (AADR)

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Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Anne D. Haffajee Fellowship,
American Association for Dental Research (AADR)

Michael Perrino, DDS, MD
Section of Hospital Dentistry
Fellow,
American College of Surgeons

Dennis P. Tarnow, DDS
Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Charles Pincus/Ronald Goldstein Lifetime Achievement Award,
American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry
HONORS AND AWARDS

INTERNATIONAL

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Section of Oral, Diagnostic & Rehabilitation Sciences
Member,
International College of Dentists