THE INAUGURAL
DEAN’S HONORS DAY
Celebrating CDM Faculty Accomplishments
9/1/2013 – 8/31/2015
NOVEMBER 12, 2015
Congratulations to the College of Dental Medicine (CDM) Faculty who are being honored for their achievements at today’s event.

We are proud to celebrate with those members of our Faculty who got promoted and/or were recognized for their contributions during the two past academic years (2013-14 & 2014-15). While we honor the individual contributions, we are also cognizant of the impact that each honoree makes to the reputation of CDM at-large. It is the strive for excellence that distinguishes Columbia from many other institutions of Higher Education. Being part of the Columbia community, CDM is aware of the mandate that is imposed on us.

This inaugural event should be understood as one of many to follow. It is intended to set the stage for 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
PROMOTED FACULTY 2013-2014

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Kavita P. Ahluwalia, DDS, MPH  
Assistant Director, Postdoctoral Program in Dental Public Health

Nurit Bittner, DDS, MS, FACP  
Program Director, Postdoctoral Prosthodontics

Jeffrey Clodt, DDS  
Third Year Group Leader

Sidney B. Eisig, DDS  
Acting Director, Division of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology

Daewon Haam, DDS, MS  
Director, Dental Implantology Certification Program

UNIVERSITY TENURE

Yiping W. Han, PhD  
Professor of Microbial Sciences

PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Dana L. Wolf, DMD, MS  
Associate Professor of Dental Medicine at the Columbia University Medical Center  
Section of Oral, Diagnostic and Rehabilitation Sciences

PROMOTION TO ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Mildred Christine Embree, DMD, PhD  
Assistant Professor of Dental Medicine  
Section of Growth and Development

Chang H. Lee, PhD  
Assistant Professor of Craniofacial Engineering (in Dental Medicine)  
Section of Hospital Dentistry

PROMOTED FACULTY 2014-2015

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Kavita P. Ahluwalia, DDS, MPH  
Director, Global Oral Health Initiatives for Africa and South Asia

James B. Fine, DMD  
Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

Jessica Hilburg, DDS  
Director of Clinical Systems

Philip Kang, DDS  
Interim Program Director, Postdoctoral Periodontics

Evanthia Lalla, DDS, MS  
Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Development

Joseph McManus, DMD, MS, MHA, MBA, MS, FACP  
Executive Director, Community DentCare

Dennis A. Mitchell, DDS, MPH  
Senior Associate Provost for Faculty Diversity and Inclusion, Columbia University (2014)  
& Vice Provost for Faculty Diversity and Inclusion, Columbia University (2015)

Elizabeth Philipone, DMD  
Interdisciplinary Appointment in the Department of Pathology and Cell Biology, College of Physicians and Surgeons

Angela J. Yoon, DDS, MPH, MAMSc  
Interdisciplinary Appointment in the Department of Pathology and Cell Biology, College of Physicians and Surgeons

PROMOTION TO PROFESSOR

Charles S. Solomon, DDS  
Professor of Dental Medicine at the Columbia University Medical Center  
Section of Cariology and Restorative Sciences

PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Elizabeth Philipone, DMD  
Associate Professor of Dental Medicine at the Columbia University Medical Center  
Section of Hospital Dentistry
HONORS AND AWARDS 2013-2014

COLLEGE OF DENTAL MEDICINE

Sahng G. (Martin) Kim, DDS, MS
Section of Cariology and Restorative Sciences
Dr. Stanislaw H. Brzustowicz Junior Faculty Award
CDM Alumni Association

Ulrike Schulze-Späte, DDS, PhD
Section of Oral, Diagnostic and Rehabilitation Sciences
Induction, Omicron Kappa Upsilon (Dental Honor Society), Chapter Epsilon

Dana L. Wolf, DMD, MS
Section of Oral, Diagnostic and Rehabilitation Sciences
The Edward V. Zegarelli Teaching Award
CDM Alumni Association

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Mildred Christine Embree, DMD, PhD
Section of Growth and Development
Provost’s Grant Program for Junior Faculty who Contribute to the Diversity Goals of the University

Shan Lal, DDS
Section of Growth and Development
President’s Global Innovation Fund

NATIONAL

Luz Marina Aguirre, DMD
Section of Cariology and Restorative Sciences
2013 Colgate National Outstanding Faculty Award
Hispanic Dental Association

Sidney B. Eisig, DDS
Section of Hospital Dentistry
2013 Annual Meeting Abstract Award
American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons

HONORS AND AWARDS 2013-2014

Philip Kang, DDS
Section of Oral, Diagnostic and Rehabilitation Sciences
2014 Educator Award in Recognition for Outstanding Teaching and Mentoring in Periodontics
American Academy of Periodontology

Richard M. Lichtenthal, DDS
Section of Cariology and Restorative Sciences
Chair, Northeast Consortium of Operative Dentistry Educators

Stephen Marshall, DDS, MPH
Section of Population Oral Health
Gies Award for Outstanding Achievement Academic Dental Institution for the CDM Community DentCare Program
ADEAGies Foundation

Ronnie Myers, DDS
Section of Hospital Dentistry
Chair, New York State Board of Dentistry

Panos N. Papapanou, DDS, PhD
Section of Oral, Diagnostic and Rehabilitation Sciences
Special Citation for Meritorious Service in Support of Academy Activities
American Academy of Periodontology

Evanthia Lalla, DDS, MS
President Elect, Periodontal Research Group of the International Association for Dental Research

INTERNATIONAL

Evanthia Lalla, DDS, MS
Section of Oral, Diagnostic and Rehabilitation Sciences
President Elect, Periodontal Research Group of the International Association for Dental Research
HONORS AND AWARDS 2014-2015

COLLEGE OF DENTAL MEDICINE

John H. Evans, DDS
Section of Oral, Diagnostic and Rehabilitation Sciences
The Edward V. Zegarelli Teaching Award
CDM Alumni Association

Carol Kunzel, PhD, MA
Section of Population Oral Health
Mentor of the Year Award
William Jarvie Research Society

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

Kavita P. Ahluwalia, DDS, MPH
Section of Population Oral Health
Faculty Advisor, IFAP (International Family AIDS Program) Global Health Program

Steven Chussid, DDS
Section of Growth and Development
Member, Columbia Children’s Health Council

HONORS AND AWARDS 2014-2015

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Shan Lal, DDS
Section of Growth and Development
Provost’s Hybrid Course Redesign and Delivery Award entitled “Comprehensive Online Archived Care Heuristic (COACH) for Dental Education”

Evanthia Lalla, DDS, MS
Section of Oral, Diagnostic and Rehabilitation Sciences
Provost Leadership Fellow

NATIONAL

Luz Marina Aguirre, DMD
Section of Cariology and Restorative Sciences
2015 Mentor Award
Lucy Hobbs Project, Benco Dental

Thomas J Boyle, DMD
Section of Oral, Diagnostic and Rehabilitation Sciences
Director, National Board of the American Board of General Dentistry
&
Member, Council on Continuing Education Self-Instruction Program
Academy of General Dentistry

College of Dental Medicine
2014 Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) Award
INSIGHT into Diversity

Burton Edelstein, DDS, MPH
Section of Population Oral Health
Recognition for 5 years of service as a Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission Member
&
Research Mentor of the Year Award
American Association for Dental Research National Student Research Group

Mildred Christine Embree, DMD, PhD
Section of Growth and Development
Clinical Loan Repayment Award (2014 & 2015)
National Institutes of Health

Roseanna Graham, DDS, PhD, MA
Section of Cariology and Restorative Sciences
Chair Elect, Section on Educational Research, Development, and Curriculum
&
Thomas F. Nowlin Award for Outstanding Performance by an ADEA Section American Dental Education Association

Sahng G. (Martin) Kim, DDS, MS
Section of Cariology and Restorative Sciences
Fellow, American College of Dentists

Joseph McManus, DMD, MS, MHA, MBA, MS, FACP
Section of Population Oral Health
Ambassador of the Year Award, Henry Schein Professional Practice Transitions
&
Special Recognition Award, The Dr. Edward B. Shils Entrepreneurial Fund
HONORS AND AWARDS 2014-2015

Dennis A. Mitchell, DDS, MPH
Section of Population Oral Health
Member, New York Academy of Medicine Membership Committee

INTERNATIONAL

Evanthia Lalla, DDS, MS
Section of Oral, Diagnostic and Rehabilitation Sciences
President, Periodontal Research Group of the International Association for Dental Research

Panos N. Papapanou, DDS, PhD
Section of Oral, Diagnostic and Rehabilitation Sciences
William J. Gies Award for Best Clinical Paper Published in the Journal of Dental Research in 2014
International Association of Dental Research

Samuel J. Zeichner, DMD, MA, MS
Section of Oral, Diagnostic and Rehabilitation Sciences
The Hans-Heiner Zaeslin Excellence in Teaching Award
Zaeslin Foundation, Switzerland
&
Erwin Morscher Visiting Professor of Medical Imaging
University of Basel Faculty of Medicine