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EVENTS



IADR GENERAL SESSION
NEW ORLEANS, LA, USA · MARCH 13-16, 2024
102ND GENERAL SESSION & EXHIBITION OF THE IADR
53RD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AADOCR
48TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CADR



REGISTER NOW

RATES & DEADLINES

FAQS

We're exactly 90 days away from the start of the [2024 IADR/AADOCR/CADR General Session & Exhibition!](#) **Save up to \$100** by pre-registering before **February 1, 2024**.

Submit a Late Breaking Abstract

You may now submit late breaking abstracts for presentation consideration at the [2024 IADR/AADOCR/CADR General Session & Exhibition](#). The submission site is open!

You are encouraged to submit your late breaking for presentation consideration as part of the IADR/AADOCR/CADR General Session scientific program.

All late breaking abstracts submitted will be considered for poster presentation.

Late breaking abstracts must be received by **December 20, 2023** at 11:59 p.m. Pacific Time (PT).

Visit www.iadr.org/LateBreakingAbstractSubmissions for more information and submission instructions.

Important dates for late breaking abstract submissions:

- Abstract Site Open: **December 6, 2023**
- Submission Deadline: **December 20, 2023**
- Notifications Sent: **January 4, 2024**
- Presenter Pre-registration Deadline: **January 11, 2024**

For questions about submitting an abstract, email meetings@iadr.org.

BOOK YOUR HOTEL TODAY!

The New Orleans Marriott Warehouse Arts District is the Headquarters hotel for the 2024 IADR/AADOOCR/CADR General Session, and IADR has negotiated preferred rates with several other hotels within a short distance to the convention center.



A full list of hotel options near the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center are available with rates ranging from \$179/night single occupancy to \$280/night. View all the IADR recommended hotels at: <https://hotelmap.com/M8BCM>.

It is highly recommended that you only use the official housing provider for IADR as you may be charged incorrectly.

Important: No one from any host hotels in New Orleans or the IADR will call you to solicit your hotel reservation. Travel agencies or housing bureaus that indicate they are representing IADR, AADOOCR, CADR, the 2024 General Session in New Orleans, or any hotel or unaffiliated hotels, are perpetrating a fraud and are looking to acquire your credit card information. Reservations made by unaffiliated organizations may appear to be for lower rates, however they may be illegitimate, have unreasonable cancellation or change penalties, or may be completely nonrefundable. Please be sure to **make reservations directly through the official hotels**. If you receive a phone call or email, DO NOT make your hotel reservations by telephone or email. Please be aware of and report any such unauthorized solicitations to Leslie Zeck at lzeck@iadr.org.

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Thursday, March 14 - Saturday,
March 16 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. daily

Corporate: \$5,750

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ASK ME ANYTHING (AMA)



TOPIC: Newly Identified Pathogens in Periodontitis

DATE: February 7, 2024 at 1 p.m. ET

WHERE: IADR Community Discussion Thread

EXPERT: Dr. Flavia Teles

Associate Professor of Microbiology
University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine

Questions? Ask them by emailing communityadmin@iadr.org by February 5, 2024.

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ADVOCACY

Save the Date!



**2024 AADOCR/FNIDCR/ADEA
Advocacy Day**

Washington, DC • April 10-11, 2024

#FundOralHealth



FDA Menthol Cigarette Rule

On December 5, AADOCR sent a **letter** to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) urging the agency to complete its review of the **Tobacco Product Standard for Menthol in Cigarettes** and to allow it to be issued in final form without delay. The proposed rule would eliminate menthol cigarettes and flavored cigars – products that appeal to young people, enhance the effects of nicotine on the brain, and make tobacco products more addictive.

AADOCR Advocates Meet with Lawmakers on Capitol Hill



AADOCR's Government Affairs Committee traveled to Washington, D.C. in late November to meet with key federal legislators on Capitol Hill, including the Senate Majority WHIP, Senate President Pro Tempore, Republican Policy Committee Chairman, and the Chairs of both the House and Senate Appropriations Committees. The group called on Congress to invest in vital scientific and medical research at the NIH and NIDCR, and to support legislation that addresses student loan debt and the shortage of oral health care professionals.

HHS Proposes Rule to Add Adult Dental Coverage to ACA Exchanges

On November 24, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) published a **proposed rule** that would allow states to include adult dental services as an “essential health benefit” (EHB) that Affordable Care Act (ACA) health plans must cover without annual or lifetime limits. The rule would allow adults who buy health insurance on the ACA exchanges to receive dental coverage as part of their medical care plan effective the 2025 health insurance coverage year. AADOCR supports the proposed rule and will submit comments to HHS arguing that the proposed change will improve access to dental care and mitigate health disparities in lower income populations.

PUBLICATIONS



Journal of Dental Research

→ Latest Issue

→ Submit a
paper



JDR Clinical & Translational Research

→ Latest Issue

→ Submit a paper

Call for Papers – JDR Special Issue on Advanced Imaging in DOC Research

The *Journal of Dental Research* is excited to announce the publication of a special issue in 2024 highlighting innovations and applications of advanced imaging techniques for the benefit of dental, oral, and craniofacial (DOC) health. The guest editors are Dana Graves, Professor of Periodontics and Vice Dean, University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine, and Sergio Uribe, Associate Professor and Lead Researcher, Department of Conservative Dentistry and Oral Health, Riga Stradins University, Latvia.

Papers should be submitted to <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/jdr> no later than **February 28, 2024** to be given full consideration.

Authors are required to include in their cover letter that their paper is being submitted for consideration for inclusion in the special issue on Advanced Imaging. Papers after this date will be considered for publication in the regular issue of the *JDR*.

NEWS

AADOCR Elects Nisha D'Silva as Vice-president

Members of the AADOCR have elected Nisha D'Silva, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, as Vice-president. Her term will commence at the conclusion of the 53rd Annual Meeting

of the AADOCR, which will be held in conjunction with the 102nd General Session of the IADR and the 48th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Association for Dental Research, from March 13-16, 2024 in New Orleans, LA.

D'Silva received her dental degree at the University of Bombay, India, followed by a Residency in Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology and Master's degree at Indiana University, Indianapolis. She obtained her PhD at the University of Washington, Seattle. She is a Diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology, which is her area of clinical practice. Her translational research in oral cancer focuses on biomarkers and molecular mechanisms of tumor progression and treatment resistance. She has published over 100 papers in well-respected journals including *Journal of Dental Research*, *Journal of Experimental Medicine*, *Clinical Cancer Research*, and *Nature Communications*.



Nisha D'Silva

D'Silva is enthusiastic about discussing her translational research and has given several national and international presentations. She received the Distinguished Scientist Award for Oral Medicine and Pathology Research from the IADR, and the Rod Cawson Prize from the International Association of Oral Pathologists and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow. She is a Fellow of the AADOCR.

AADOCR Elects Abraham Schneider as AADOCR Representative to the IADR/AADOCR Publications Committee

Members of AADOCR have elected Abraham Schneider, University of Maryland, Baltimore as AADOCR Representative to the IADR/AADOCR Publications Committee. His term will commence at the conclusion of the 53rd Annual Meeting of the AADOCR, which will be held in conjunction with the 102nd General Session of the IADR and the 48th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Association for Dental Research, from March 13-16, 2024 in New Orleans, LA.

As faculty member and director of the Dental Biomedical Sciences PhD program at the University of Maryland, Schneider is involved in all aspects central to the institutional mission, including educational, research, service, and mentoring activities at the predoctoral, postgraduate, doctoral, and postdoctoral training levels.



Abraham Schneider

He is currently a member of the AADOCR Diversity and Inclusion Committee, and has served on the Constitution, Ethics, Government Affairs, and Hatton Awards Committees, and served as Chair of the latter.

He has been a reviewer for the *Journal of Dental Research* since 2010 and currently serves on its Editorial Board.

AADOCR Student Research Fellowships

You are invited to submit research proposals for the **AADOCR Student Research Fellowships**. These Fellowships, supported by several major industrial companies, as well as by AADOCR and IADR Group Chapters, Sections, and members, are sponsored and administered by the AADOCR and have been created to encourage dental students living in the United States to consider careers in oral health research. Proposals are sought in basic and clinical research related to oral health.

Application deadline: January 26, 2024



AADOCR Strides in Science

Kimberly Jasmer

University of Missouri

“University of Missouri “The professional relationships and network I’ve built over the last nearly four years have been pivotal to my career development and enriched my research. I’ve also met many people through session planning, which makes the annual meeting so much more enjoyable to reconnect with investigators from all over the country.”

Read the full interview.

Call for Volunteers: ADA Standards Committees

The American Dental Association has reorganized to enhance alignment between national and international standards, provide better utilization of subject matter experts and to better address new and emerging technologies. AADOCR may have representatives for each of these Consensus Bodies:

- CB 1: Restorative and Orthodontic Materials
- CB 2: Prosthodontic Materials
- CB 3: Terminology & SNODENT
- CB 4: Dental Instruments
- CB 5: Infection Prevention and Control
- CB 6: Dental Equipment
- CB 7: Oral Hygiene Products
- CB 8: Dental Implants
- CB 9: CAD/CAM in Dentistry
- CB 10: Forensic Odontology
- CB 11: Dental Data Structure and Exchange
- CB 12: Artificial Intelligence & Knowledge Management

View the full details

If you are interested in serving on behalf of AADOCR, submit your details by using [this form](#) by **Tuesday, January 2, 2024**.

Earn CE Credits at the IADR Webinar & CE On Demand Library

Featured Content:

- Immunology and Immunotherapy: Impairment of Immunological and Neurological Synapses as Virulence Mechanisms of Respiratory Viruses
- Titanium Repassivation After Implant Cleaning and Its Biological Ramifications
- Strengthening the Oral Healthcare System With Technology



Submit a Webinar Proposal

AADOCR is currently accepting proposals for webinar ideas for 2023. Webinar proposals are subject to review and approval by the appropriate IADR committee. Webinar content should be organized around a cutting-edge topic and planned to be no more than 60

minutes (including a Q&A/discussion period). Any requests for additional time outside of the standard allotment of 60 minutes must be made at the time of submission for the committee to evaluate.

For more information and to submit your proposal, visit:
<https://www.iadr.org/form/webinar-series-proposal-form>.

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\$150 - resident
\$295 - military

2024 OSTEO SCIENCE FOUNDATION
BONE SYMPOSIUM
February 15-17
Silverado Resort, Napa Valley, CA

Join us as we bring together leading scientists and clinicians to share their knowledge and insights regarding bone regeneration and how the latest research can be applied to challenging defects.

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FUNDING

Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) Geriatric Workforce Enhancement Program

The HRSA's *Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program (GWEP)* aims to have applicants maximize patient and family engagement to address care gaps and improve health outcomes for older adults by integrating geriatrics with primary care and other appropriate specialties using the Age-Friendly Health Systems Framework.

Eligible applicants include:

- Schools of Allopathic Medicine, Osteopathic Medicine, Nursing, Allied Health, Pharmacy, Dentistry, Public Health, Optometry, Chiropractic, Veterinary Medicine, or Podiatric Medicine
- Physician Assistant Education Programs
- Graduate programs for Health Administration or Behavioral Health and Mental Health Practice, including Clinical Psychology, Clinical Social Work, Professional Counseling, or Marriage and Family Therapy
- Health care facilities

- Programs leading to certification as a certified nurse assistant
- Partnership of a school of nursing and health care facility
- Partnership of a program leading to certification as a certified nurse assistant, and a health care facility
- Community-based organizations, if otherwise eligible
- Tribes, and Tribal organizations, if otherwise eligible

Awards: HRSA anticipates awarding approximately **\$43 million to approximately 43 recipients** through this funding opportunity.

Applications will be accepted until 11:59 p.m. ET on February 26, 2024.

Applications Still Open for Summer 2024 NIDCR Dental Public Health Program

The National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) continues to accept applications for its **Dental Public Health Research Fellowship (DPHRF)** Program until **Tuesday, January 16, 2024**.

The three-year fellowship includes a 12-month full-time residency in Dental Public Health (DPH) followed by a 24-month full-time postdoctoral fellowship with a strong focus on oral health research. Our fellows work together with diverse researchers from NIH Institutes and Centers to bridge the science gaps between public health and biomedical sciences, emphasizing whole-body health and broader determinants of health.

A stipend is available to support the fellows during the three-year program. The DPHRF Program is located on the NIH campus in Bethesda, MD. Hybrid learning through a mix of in-person and telework is available. This training opportunity requires a full-time commitment, and those selected cannot be enrolled in other training programs.

Individuals successfully completing the 12-month DPH residency component will receive a certificate of completion and are qualified educationally to apply for examination by the American Board of Dental Public Health (ABDPH) for specialty certification.

Equal consideration is given to all applicants without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, political affiliation, or age.

[Learn more about the program.](#)

Apply to the NIH Medical Research Scholars Program

The **NIH Medical Research Scholars Program (MSRP)** is a year-long research immersion program for future clinician-scientists that advances health by inspiring careers in biomedical research. By engaging students in basic, clinical, or translational research investigations, offering a curriculum rich in didactics and professional development, and featuring a robust mentorship and advising program, MRSP prepares its Scholars to become tomorrow's leaders in medicine and biomedical research. The 2024-2025 NIH MRSP application period is open until **January 5, 2024**.

[Apply Now!](#)

NIDCR Awards \$14 Million to Tackle Unsolved Clinical Challenges

NIDCR has issued 26 awards, totaling \$14.1 million, through three bold new initiatives to drive scientific advances in dental, oral, and craniofacial research: Advancing Head and Neck Cancer Early Detection Research (AHEAD), TMD Collaborative for IMproving Patient-Centered Translational Research (TMD IMPACT), and Practice-Based Research and Multidisciplinary Experiences in Dental Schools (PRIMED). The initiatives aim to foster collaborative, multidisciplinary approaches to fill research- and training-related gaps in the fields of head and neck cancer, temporomandibular disorders, and practice-based research.

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NIDCR Summer Dental Student Award

To expose future dentists to careers in research, the NIDCR offers an outstanding summer research training opportunity in its intramural research labs for dental students. The **NIDCR Summer Dental Student Award** is designed to give talented dental students hands-on research experience and exposure to the latest advances in oral health research. Summer Dental Student Awardees are assigned to mentors who conduct research in the students' areas of interest. Participation in the program may result in presentation of research findings at a scientific meeting or co-authorship of scientific publications.

For additional information about NIDCR labs, investigators, and recent publications, visit the **NIDCR Division of Intramural Research**.

NIDCR Award for Sustaining Outstanding Achievement in Research (SOAR)

Calling mid-career NIDCR-supported scientists! Do you have a trailblazing research idea with the potential to improve dental, oral, or craniofacial health? NIDCR invites you to apply for a Sustaining Outstanding Achievement in Research (SOAR) award. The awards aim to provide longer term support for mid-career investigators with outstanding research records to pursue high-risk, high-reward research.

- **Eligibility:** NIDCR-funded mid-career investigators
- **Award amount:** Up to \$650,000 per year
- **Award length:** Up to eight years
- **Application due dates:** January 26, 2024, for new applications. February 13, 2024, for AIDS-related submissions.

Visit the NOFO for details: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DE-24-006.html> .

Latest NIH & NIDCR Funding Opportunities and Notices

The NIH and NIDCR provide many funding opportunities for scientists interested in dental, oral, and craniofacial research. Get the [latest NIDCR news online](#). To view a full list of NIH funding announcements, visit: grants.nih.gov/funding/index.htm.

Notices of Funding Opportunities

Unveiling Health and Healthcare Disparities in Non-Communicable and Chronic Diseases in Latin America: Setting the Stage for Better Health Outcomes Across the Hemisphere (R01 - Clinical Trials Not Allowed)

Release Date: October 12, 2023

Ethical, Legal and Social Implications (ELSI) Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant (R21 Clinical Trial Optional)

Release Date: October 30, 2023

Ethical, Legal and Social Implications (ELSI) Small Research Grant (R03 Clinical Trial Optional) Release Date: October 30, 2023

IND-enabling Studies for Platform Clinical Trials of Genome Editing in Multiple Diseases (U01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

Release Date: October 30, 2023

Blueprint Neurotherapeutics Network (BPN): Small Molecule Drug Discovery and Development of Disorders of the Nervous System (UG3/UH3 Clinical Trial Optional)

Release Date: November 1, 2023

Blueprint Neurotherapeutics Network (BPN): Small Molecule Drug Discovery and Development for Disorders of the Nervous System (U44 Clinical Trial Optional)
Release Date: November 1, 2023

HEAL Initiative: Non-addictive Analgesic Therapeutics Development [Small Molecules and Biologics] to Treat Pain (UG3/UH3 Clinical Trial Optional)
Release Date: November 1, 2023

Multi-sectoral preventive interventions that address social determinants of health in populations that experience health disparities (UG3/UH3, Clinical Trial Required)
Release Date: November 6, 2023

Notices of Special Interest

Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): Chronic Inflammation of the Oral Cavity - An Agent for Oral Mucosal Disease
Release Date: October 30, 2023

Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): Interventions to promote mental well-being in populations that experience health disparities through social, cultural, and environmental connectedness
Release Date: November 6, 2023

Featured Funding Opportunities

Research Supplements to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research (Admin Supp - Clinical Trial Not Allowed) (PA-23-189)
Application deadline: May 8, 2026

NIDCR Director's Postdoctoral Fellowship to Enhance Diversity in Dental, Oral and Craniofacial Research
Applications reviewed on a rolling basis.

FDA Funding Opportunities

View the current [FDA Center for Tobacco Products](#) funding opportunities.

NIH National Institute on Aging Funding Opportunities

Visit the [NIA's Grants and Funding web portal](#) and view the current NIA funding opportunities.

DONATE

Honor and Remember this Holiday Season

Did you know you can make a donation “in memory of” or “in honor of” family, friends, and colleagues? This is a wonderful way to celebrate the holidays, and every dollar goes to support oral health research.

For your year-end giving, consider making a tribute gift and donating to the **AADOCR New Investigator Research Development Fund!**

This program will support an annual \$10,000 award to recognize original research by new investigators, which will help them fund their post-doctoral research, establish their laboratories, or prepare their research for publication.



MAKE A DONATION

The Science Advocate is a monthly e-newsletter for AADOCR members. If you have items you would like to include, please forward them to scienceadvocate@aadocr.org by January, 2, 2024 for the next issue.



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