

AAO Foundation Award Final Report

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| Award Type | Orthodontics Faculty Development Fellowship Award |
| Project Title | Orthodontics Faculty Development Fellowship Award |
| Project Year | 2007 |
| Institution | State University of New York at Buffalo |
| Summary/Abstract (250 word maximum) | <p>I would like to thank the AAOF for the Faculty Fellowship Development Award. During 2007 I obtained a full time Assistant Professor, tenure-track appointment in the Orthodontics Department of the University at Buffalo. I continue to teach a course in cephalometric analysis and treatment planning for the orthodontics residents and teach basic orthodontics to the senior dental students. I assist in educating international visiting scholars and help them to manage their research projects. I provide clinical supervision for the orthodontic residents and contribute to the teaching of Orthodontics to the pre-doctoral students.</p> <p>I attended the 1st International Congress on 3-D Dental Imaging and other continuing education courses in orthodontics as part of my faculty development efforts. I presented several lectures in accelerated orthodontic treatment and dealing with inter-disciplinary orthodontics treatment. I proposed and developed two research projects which resulted in masters' degree theses for residents in the Department of Orthodontics. I served on the committees that examined several masters' degree presentations by our residents. I participated in community service educational events, "give a kid a smile day" and lectures at elementary schools. I presented lectures in periodontics, surgery and endodontics seminars. I treat patients with focus on interdisciplinary treatment.</p> <p>Currently, I am working on research project to compare two-dimensional with three-dimensional radiographic analysis. I am thankful to the Foundation for supporting my efforts with the Faculty Development Fellowship Award. This Award encourages me to be a good representative of our specialty at the University of Buffalo and in my community.</p> |
| Were the original, | Yes. The tenure track faculty appointment was the most important |

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| specific aims of the proposal realized? | goal achieved during this award period. |
| Were the results published? If not, are there plans to publish? If not, why not? | Yes. The master's thesis entitled "A Clinical Evaluation of the Effects of Oral Irrigation on the Gingival Health of Adult Orthodontic Patient" is being prepared for publication. Yes. The master's thesis entitled "Evaluation of Skeletal Asymmetry in Patients with Posterior Crossbites". Is being prepared for publication and should be completed soon. |
| Have the results of this proposal been presented? If so, when and where? If not, are there plans to do so? If not, why not? | Yes. "Traditional Orthodontics and Beyond" the Craniofacial Center of Western New York. October 12, Buffalo, NY. USA. "Treatment of Adult Patient with Unilateral Class II malocclusion." Presented at: The 8 th District Orthodontics Academy, April 16. Buffalo, NY. USA and at Wilckodontics Seminars, November 17, April 4, and May 25, 2008, Erie PA. USA. |