RESEARCH FACULTY MENTORS

GENERAL DENTISTRY

- **Marianne Jurasic** DMD, MPH, Clinical Associate Professor and Director of the Center for Clinical Research. Research Area: Public Health Utilizing Multiple Electronic Datasets to Answer Clinical and Epidemiological Questions
- **Larry Dunham**, DMD, Clinical Assistant Professor and Director of Diversity & Multicultural Affairs. Research Area: Social, Economic and Cultural Influences on Global Health.
- **Garladinne Lakshmi** BDS, MDS, Clinical Assistant Professor. Research area: Anatomic Variants on CBCT, Osteonecrosis of the Jaw, Multi-Modality Imaging Features of Maxillofacial Lesions

HEALTH POLICY & HEALTH SERVICES RESEARCH

- **Belinda Borrelli** PhD, Professor and Director of Behavioral Science Research. Research Area: Motivating Health Behavior Change, mHealth and eHealth, Smoking Cessation and Public Health
- **Raul Garcia** DMD, MMS, Professor and Chair. Research Area: Epidemiology
- **Michelle Henshaw** DDS, MPH, Professor and Assistant Dean for Community Practice. Research Area: Public Health
- **Elizabeth Kaye** MPH, PhD, Associate Professor. Research Area: Public Health
- **Asta Singhal | Profiles RNS** BDS, MPH, PhD, Associate Professor, Director of Advanced Specialty Education Program in Dental Public Health. Research Area: Dental ER Care and Oral Health Disparities

MOLECULAR & CELL BIOLOGY

- **Ruslan Afasizhev** PhD, Professor. Research Area: Molecular Mechanisms of RNA Processing in Trypanosomes
- **Cataldo Leone** DMD, DMSc, Professor and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Advanced Education & International Programs. Research areas: Biochemistry/Periodontology
- **David Levin** PhD, Professor and Chair. Research Area: Biochemistry/Molecular Biology
- **John Samuelson** MD, PhD, Professor. Research Area: Microbiology
- **Makoto Senoo** PhD, Associate Professor Research Area: Stem Cell Biology Using Molecular and Cellular Analyses and Mouse Genetics

ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

- **Radhika Chigurupati** DMD, MS, Associate Professor and Director of Research. Research Area: Global Health, Early Diagnosis of Oral Cancer, Clinical Informatics
- **Richard D’Innocenzo** DMD, MD, Associate Clinical Professor. Research Area: Trauma, Fracture, Maxillofacial Management and Anesthesia
- **Pushkar Mehra** BDS, DMD, Associate Professor and Chair. Research Area: Trauma, Fracture, Maxillofacial Management and Orthognathic Surgery
- **Vicki Noonan** DMD, DMSc, Associate Professor and Director of the Clinical Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology Practice. Research Area: Pathology/Oral Biology
- **Andrew Salama** DDS, MD, Assistant Professor. Research Area: Evaluating Tongue Motion and Speech Following Reconstructive Surgery and Developing Novel Chemo-Preventive Medications for Oral Cancer
ORTHODONTICS & DENTOFACIAL ORTHOPEDICS
- Leslie Will DMD, CAGS, MSD, Professor and Chair. Research Area: Normal and Abnormal Growth, Treatment Outcomes and Diagnostic Tools

ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY
- Louis Gerstenfeld PhD, Professor. Research Area: Cell Biology/Bone

PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY
- Athanasios Zavras DMD, DDS, MS, DrMedSc, Professor and Chair. Research Area: Epidemiology of Oral Diseases, Health Services Research, Molecular Diagnostics and Pediatric Dentistry

PERIODONTOLOGY
- Serge Dibart DDS, DMD, Professor and Program Director. Research Area: Gingival Epithelial Cells
- Erdjan Salih PhD, Associate Professor. Research Area: Biomedical Sciences/Biochemistry/Bone Biology and Bone Cancer Interaction/Mass Spectrometry

RESTORATIVE SCIENCES/BIOMATERIALS
- Laisheng Chou DMD, PhD, Professor. Research Area: Cell Biology/Oral Medicine
- Russell Giordano DMD, DMSc, Associate Professor. Research Area: Biomaterials
- Dan Nathanson DMD, MSD, Professor and Chair. Research Area: Biomaterials

TRANSLATIONAL DENTAL MEDICINE
- Manish Bais, DVM, Ph.D, Research Associate Professor. Research Area: Oral Cancer/TMJ Osteoarthritis/Bone Cartilage Regeneration
- Paola Divieti Pajevic MD, PhD, Associate Professor. Research Area: Bone Cell Biology and Mechanotransduction.
- Maria Kukuruzinska PhD, Professor and Associate Dean for Research. Research Area: Molecular and Cell Biology/Development
- Philip Stashenko DMD, Ph.D., Associate Professor; Research Area: Oral Infection Diseases/Oral Cancer
- Philip Trackman PhD, Professor. Research Area: Cell Biology

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