

Speaker Biographies

Oded Bahat, BDS, MSD (Beverly Hills, CA)



Dr. Bahat graduated from the University of the Witwatersrand School of Medicine and Dentistry in South Africa in 1977. He received his specialty degree in Periodontology and his M.S.D from the University of Washington in 1981. He has been a diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology since 1986. He was the chairman and director of the Post Doctorate Periodontics at the University Of Southern California School Of Dentistry in Los Angeles, California from 1983-87. He lectured extensively nationally and internationally on many surgical topics primarily related to surgical reconstruction of bone, soft tissue and implant reconstruction. He has published over 50 scientific articles and has edited multiple chapters in various textbooks. He is on the review board of the International Journal of Oral & Maxillofacial Implants. He is currently in a private practice limited to surgical reconstruction implant surgery and periodontics in Beverly Hills, California and operates 3 times a year in London U.K.

Eric Caron, DMD, cert. (prosth) (Quebec, Canada)



In 1993, Dr, Caron graduated from the Faculty of Dental Medicine at the University of Montreal. He obtained his certificate in prosthodontics rehabilitation from the same university in 1996. After 10 years of private practice in the region of Gatineau and Montreal, Dr. Caron joined the Dentachrome Group in 2008 as the general manager of the 3DRPD branch. On top, he becomes responsible of the Center of research and development which focuses on marking out manufacturing techniques for removable partial dentures using CAD/CAM technologies.

Elaine Cooper, DPT, PT, LMT, ND (Farmington Hills, MI)



Dr. Cooper established Cooper Center for Physical and Massage Therapies in 1981 in Farmington Hills, MI. She received her Science and Physical Therapy degrees from the University of Michigan and Doctor of Physical Therapy from Boston University. In addition, she is a licensed Massage Therapist and Doctor of Naturopathy. Her background includes experience in sports, dance and martial arts and in all treatment settings. She was a founding member of the TMJ study group in the area, and has been profiled in Who's Who in Medicine and Healthcare, and Who's Who in America and the World.

Lee Culp, CDT (Cary, NC)



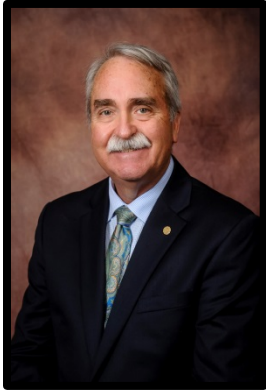
Lee Culp, CDT is the CEO of Sculpture Studios, a dental laboratory, education and, research and product development center, for new and innovative digital dental technologies, and their applied applications to diagnostic, restorative and surgical dentistry. He is a leading resource/inventor for many of the materials, products, and techniques used in dentistry today, holds numerous patents for his ideas and as one of today's most exciting lecturers and innovative artisans in the specialty of digital dentistry.

Isabelle Denry, DDS, MS, PhD (University of Iowa)



Isabelle Denry received her DDS and her PhD from the University of Paris, France. After 20 years at the Ohio State University College of Dentistry, she recently moved to the University of Iowa, where she is a Professor in the Department of Prosthodontics and Iowa Institute for Dental Research. Dr. Denry has written numerous research and review articles on ceramics for dental applications and is a reviewer for many dental and engineering journals. Her research has been supported by Federal funds for nearly twenty five years and she has been granted four US Patents. Her latest work has extended to the field of biomedical engineering, development of resorbable bioceramics for bone replacement and biomedical applications of zirconia ceramics.

David A. Felton, DDS, MS, FACP (University of Mississippi Medical Center)



Dr. Felton is Dean of the University of Mississippi Medical Center School of Dentistry, and Professor in the Department of Care Planning and Restorative Sciences. He is a graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill School of Dentistry (DDS 1977, MS Pros 1984). He is editor-in-chief of the Journal of Prosthodontics, Diplomate and Secretary/Treasurer of the American Board of Prosthodontics, Past-presidents of both the American College of Prosthodontists and Academy of Prosthodontics, and a member of multiple dental organizations. He has authored over 50 peer reviewed articles.

Antonio Ferilli, MDT (Schaan, Liechtenstein)



Mr. Antonio Ferilli MDT received his technical training and the Master degree in Switzerland. He has worked for Candulor AG (Switzerland) since 2000 as Head of Product Management and Education where he developed the new generation of Tooth line NFC and as well as other key products from the Candulor portfolio. In this capacity, he also actively contributed in the large-scale of Digital Denture project in the Group of Ivoclar Vivadent. Currently he is operating as a Senior Product Manager Digital Removable Prosthetics with the focus on the digital processes involved in removable prosthodontics by Ivoclar Vivadent Schaan. Antonio Ferilli is an Instructor for removable prosthodontics at the Education College for Dental Technology (HFZ) in Switzerland since 2007 and wrote numerous articles on removable prosthodontics.

Frank L. Higginbottom, DDS (Dallas)



Frank L. Higginbottom is a 1971 graduate of Baylor College of Dentistry. He practices Esthetic, Restorative, and Implant Dentistry in Dallas, Texas. He is a Professor in the Department of Restorative Sciences and Graduate Prosthodontics at Baylor College of Dentistry as well as The Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. He is a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Periodontics at The University Texas San Antonio. He lectures nationally and internationally on the subjects of Dental Implants, Restorative Dentistry, Provisional Restorations, and Treatment Planning.

He has authored numerous articles and contributed to textbooks on these subjects. He is active in basic research in the field of dental implant systems and is a member of the ITI a world education group. Other memberships include the American Academy of Restorative Dentistry, where he just finished service as President. He is a Fellow of American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry and the Academy of Osseointegration in which he is a Fellow and where he served as a Director. Dr. Higginbottom is a Fellow of both the American and International College of Dentists. He was awarded Honorary membership in the American College of Prosthodontists. He served as Director and Vice-President Texas Dental Association. He was the Dallas County Dental Society's Dentist of The Year, and was awarded Baylor College of Dentistry's Distinguished Alumnus.

Sascha Jovanovic, DDS, MS (Los Angeles)



Sascha A. Jovanovic was formally trained in Periodontics at UCLA School of Dentistry, in Implant Dentistry at Loma Linda University, and in Prosthodontics at the University of Aachen, Germany. Dr. Jovanovic graduated dental school from the University of Amsterdam (ACTA) and holds a Master of Sciences degree in Oral Biology from UCLA. He is currently an Associate Professor at Loma Linda University and Academic Chair of the gIDE Institute (www.gidedental.com), located in Santa Monica, CA.

Sarit Kaplan, DMD, MS, FACP (Bethesda, MD)



Sarit Kaplan, DMD, MS, FACP graduated the Hebrew University Hadassah School of Dental Medicine in Jerusalem, Israel. After a few years in private practice, she continued her education at the University of Maryland, where she graduated its prosthodontic program. She is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and a Fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists. She is a Past President of the ACP Maryland Section and serves on the Board of Directors of the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics. Dr. Kaplan is co-owner of a multi-disciplinary private practice in Bethesda, Maryland for over 15 years and is a Clinical Assistant Professor at the University of Maryland, teaching part time in the post-graduate prosthodontic program. She has published and lectured nationally.

Bach T. Le, DDS, MD, FICD, FACD (Whittier, CA)



Dr. Bach Le completed his specialty training in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery at Oregon Health Sciences University. He is currently Clinical Associate Professor of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery at the Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry at USC where he has been an active faculty member since 2000. Dr. Le has lectured internationally on bone regeneration and dental implant-related surgery and has taught on six continents around the world. He has published extensively in scientific texts and professional peer-review journals. His primary focus has been in the area of hard and soft tissue regeneration for improving esthetic outcomes.

Kenneth A. Malament, DDS, MScD, FACP (Boston)



Dr. Malament received his D.D.S. from N.Y.U. College of Dentistry and a specialty certificate and Master's degree from Boston University School of Graduate Dentistry. Dr. Malament has a full time practice limited to prosthodontics in Boston that includes a dental laboratory with master dental technologists. A Past-President of the American Board of Prosthodontics, he is a Clinical Professor at Tufts University and a Course Director in the postgraduate department of Prosthodontics. Dr. Malament is a Fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists, Academy of Prosthodontics, Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics, and Northeastern Gnathological Society. He is an active member of many dental organizations including the International College of Prosthodontists, American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics, American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry, Academy of Osseointegration, Northeastern Prosthodontic Society and American Equilibration Society. A Past President of the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics, Northeastern Gnathological Society and the Northeastern Prosthodontic Society, he has served as the Secretary and Director of the American College of Prosthodontists and Secretary-Treasurer of the International College of Prosthodontists. He presently serves on the Board of Directors of the Academy of Prosthodontics and the American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry. Dr. Malament has been the recipient of significant awards in Prosthodontics including the American College of Prosthodontists' Clinician / Researcher Award, Daniel F. Gordon Award for Lifetime Achievement and Distinguished Lecturer Award, the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics Distinguished Lecturer Award, the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics' George Moulton Award for Outstanding Achievement and the first Frank V. Celenza Memorial Award from the Northeastern Gnathological Society. Dr. Malament was on the research and development teams for two different well-known ceramic products and developed instrumentation used in clinical practice.

Radi M. Masri, DDS, MS, PhD, FACP (University of Maryland)



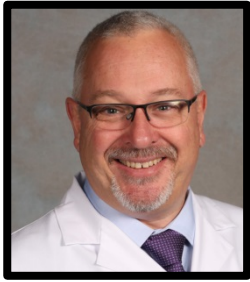
Dr. Masri received his first dental degree from the University of Jordan Dental School in 1997 and completed a prosthodontic residency at the University of Maryland, School of Dentistry in 2001. Dr. Masri has a Master's degree in oral biology and a PhD in biomedical sciences. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, a fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists, a member of the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics, and a fellow of the Academy of Prosthodontics. In addition to being an expert in fixed, removable, and implant dentistry, Dr. Masri is a dedicated academician and researcher. Dr. Masri is an Associate Professor at the School of Dentistry and at the University of Maryland Medical School. He lectures nationally and internationally and serves as an external examiner for international dental schools in the field of prosthodontics. He is the Associate Editor in Chief of the Journal of Prosthodontics and the chairman of the American College of Prosthodontics Research Committee. Dr. Masri has authored numerous scientific papers and currently supervises a federally funded research laboratory that studies the etiology and treatment of chronic pain. Dr. Masri received many honors including the 2013 American College of Prosthodontists Clinician Researcher Award and the 2015 Maryland LIFE Award for the most promising technology. In 2014, he was elected as an examiner for the American Board of Prosthodontics.

Ricardo Mitrani, DDS, MSD (Mexico City)



Dr. Mitrani received his DDS degree from UNITEC University of México City; a certificate in Prosthodontics and a Master of Science in Dentistry from the University of Washington where he holds to date an appointment as Affiliate Associate Professor. He recently became a resident faculty member in SPEAR education. Member of several organizations including: American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry and American Academy of Restorative Dentistry. He has authored numerous scientific publications and chapters in text books in the fields of Implant Prosthodontics and Aesthetic dentistry. He lectures worldwide, and has given over 400 lectures-courses, in over 26 countries around the world.

Dean Morton, BDS, MS, FACP (Indiana University)



Dr. Dean Morton serves as Professor and Chair of the Department of Prosthodontics, and as Director of the Center for Implant, Esthetic and Innovative Dentistry at Indiana University School of Dentistry. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics and serves on the Board of Directors. He is a fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists, the Academy of Prosthodontics and the International College of Dentists. In addition, he is a fellow of the International Team for Implantology and serves on the Board of Directors. Dr. Morton is an Associate Editor of the International Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Implants. He has authored numerous peer-reviewed scientific articles and abstracts. He lectures nationally and internationally on implants and esthetic dentistry.

Stephen M. Parel, DDS, FACP (Dallas)



Dr. Parel received his dental degree from The Medical College of Virginia in 1969. He spent one year as a general practice resident with the Veterans Administration Hospital in Richmond, which was followed by a two-year residency in Prosthodontics at the Wadsworth Veterans Administration Hospital in Los Angeles. He received his maxillofacial prosthetics training in Houston at the M.D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute in 1973. He became a faculty member in the University of Texas System in 1975, rising to the rank of full professor in the San Antonio Medical and Dental Schools in 1978. He served as head of the Maxillofacial Prosthetics Division in the Department of Prosthodontics until 1991, which was followed by 7 years of private practice in prosthetic and implant dentistry. Dr. Parel is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, the American and International College of Dentists, and is a member of many professional organizations, including the American Dental Association, the Academy of Prosthodontics, and the American College of Prosthodontists. He has been course director for osseointegration training at the University of Texas Health Science Center School of Dentistry in San Antonio, one of the four original Brånemark training centers in the United States. His literature contributions include over 45 scientific articles as principal author, and multiple textbook contributions. He was editor and co-author of *Esthetics and Osseointegration*, a landmark reference source for implant dentistry. He authored his second book, *The SmiLine System* in 1991, and recently completed a third book, *Esthetic Implant Restorations*. He was cofounder of Osseointegration Seminars, Incorporated, and has been president of The American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics, The Academy of Osseointegration, The Osseointegration Foundation, and the

American Board of Prosthodontics. He has received the Andrew J. Ackerman Award for meritorious lifetime service in the field of Maxillofacial Prosthetics, the Distinguished Lecturer and Dan Gordon Awards from the American College of Prosthodontists. Dr. Parel was also recently selected as only the second American to receive the Branemark Award for lifetime achievement in the field of Implant Dentistry. Dr. Parel has served as a professor at Baylor College of Dentistry—Texas A&M University System Health Science Center and director of the Center of Oral Maxillofacial Prosthodontics in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery/Pharmacology from 1998 until 2008. He presently is the director of Prosthodontics at a private Implant Specialty Clinic in Dallas, Texas.

Jules Poukens, MD, DMD (Hasselt University, Belgium)



Prof. Dr. Jules Poukens is currently lecturer and researcher at the Biomed Research Institute of the University Hasselt and the University of Leuven in Belgium. He is a Cranio-Maxillofacial Surgeon at the Medical Center Sittard /Heerlen in the Netherlands. He got his M.D. and D.M.D from the Catholic University Leuven in Belgium. He was trained as Cranio-Maxillofacial Surgeon in Belgium (Leuven) and Germany (Freiburg, Black Forrest). After his training, he first joined the staff at the University Hospital Maastricht and later on the staff of Medical Center Sittard /Heerlen in the Netherlands. He has participated in several European Community funded projects on medical rapid prototyping and manufacturing and was acting chairman of the Board of Directors of the EU funded project CUSTOM-IMD.

Harold W. Preiskel, MDS, MSc, FDS, RCS (Kings College Dental Institute, London)



Dr. Harold Preiskel is in specialty private practice, Emeritus Professor of Prosthodontics, Fellow of the Academy of Prosthodontics, and the Royal College of Surgeons of England. He was the first President of the International College of Prosthodontists, first non-American President of the American Prosthodontic Society, a founding editor of the International Journal of Prosthodontics, Past President of the American Dental Society of London, and British Dental Association (Metropolitan Branch), and London Dental Study Club and Chairman of the International Prosthodontic Symposium of 1982. He is the author of numerous

textbooks and scientific articles, recipient of prestigious prosthodontic awards including GNYAP Distinguished Lecturer 2008, OSU Hall of Fame 2014, and the APS Golden Medallion 2016.

Michael R. Ragan, DMD, JD, LLM (Miami)



DR. Michael R. Ragan is Managing Partner of a Miami, Florida law firm with 25 years of experience as a defense trial attorney. Dr. Ragan received a B.A. from Syracuse University, a D.M.D. from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine, a J.D. from the Georgetown University Law Center, and an L.L.M. in Health Law from Loyola University College of Law in Chicago, Illinois. Dr. Ragan has held academic appointments at the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine, the University of Florida College of Dentistry, and the

Georgetown University School of Dentistry. Dr. Ragan is presently Adjunct Professor in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the Nova Southeastern College of Dental Medicine. Dr. Ragan practiced clinical dentistry for fifteen years and supervised healthcare professional liability claims for seven years within the insurance industry. Dr. Ragan is a Fellow of the American College of Dentists, the International College of Dentists, and the American College of Legal Medicine.

Fernando Rojas-Vizcaya, DDS, MS (Castellon, Spain)



Dr. Rojas Vizcaya is the founder of the Mediterranean Prosthodontics Institute and BoneModels, and maintains a private practice limited to prosthodontics and implant surgery in Spain. He received his DDS from UJ-Colombia, his oral surgery's training from UCM-Spain and his certificates and MS in Prosthodontics and an Implant-Fellowship from University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, where he is an Adjunct Assistant Professor. He is Director of the Charter Chapter of the Academy of Osseointegration in Spain.

Michael D. Scherer, DMD, MS, FACP (Sonora, CA)



Dr. Michael Scherer is an Assistant Clinical Professor at Loma Linda University, a Clinical Instructor at University of Nevada – Las Vegas, and maintains a practice limited to prosthodontics and implant dentistry in Sonora, California. He is a fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists, has published articles related to implant dentistry, clinical prosthodontics, and digital technology with a special emphasis on implant overdentures. As an avid technology & computer hobbyist, Dr. Scherer's involvement in digital implant dentistry has led him to develop and utilize new technology with CAD/CAM surgical systems, implement interactive CBCT implant planning, and outside of the box radiographic imaging concepts.

Junhyouk Shin, DDS, MS (Busan National University, South Korea)



Dr. Shin graduated from Busan National University of Dental College and postgraduate school in 1998 and was an adjunct professor. He is currently a director of Korea Academy of Esthetic Association, Korean Academy of Digitalized Dentistry, Korean Academy of Stomatognathic Function and Occlusion, and a serial publisher of the Korean Journal of Clinical Dentistry in 2014 and his articles have been published in QDT 2015-2016 (The Japanese journal of Esthetic Dentistry). He has given many lectures at conferences all over the world. This year, he has been invited as a presenter to American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry (AACD) in February 2016, and International Academy for Digital Dental Medicine (IADDM) in September 2016. He is a world advisor of 3Shape in Copenhagen, Denmark. He is an Art Oral Korea member. Dr. Shin is a chief of DIGITAL ART Dental Clinic in Busan.

Enrico Steger, MDT (Gais, Italy)



Mr. Enrico Steger graduated from the 5-year dental technician school in Bolzano (South Tyrol). In 1981, he founded his own dental laboratory “Steger”. He is the author of “The Anatomic Chewing Surface”, published by Quintessence. In 2003, Zirkonzahn was founded. Mr. Steger speaks internationally at dental meetings in his function as a visionary of dental technology. He is also the inventor of the manual milling system for zirconia and the CAD/CAM System 5-TEC and inventor of Zirconia Prettau® and the Prettau® Bridge.

James Quinn Swift, DDS (University of Minnesota)



Dr. James Q. Swift is Professor of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Minnesota, where he has been faculty for over 27 years. He is a former President of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery and the American Dental Education Association. He is the recipient of the ADEA Distinguished Service Award and the AAOMS RV Walker Award. He is an actively practicing OMS.

Faleh Tamimi, PhD, MSc, Dip. Prosth., BDS (McGill University)



Dr. Tamimi is a Canada Research Chair and Assistant Professor (tenure-track) at McGill University. He has a Bachelor Degree in Dental Surgery (BDS) and holds a PhD, degrees in both Implant Prosthodontics and Geriatric Dentistry from the University Complutense of Madrid, as well as a Post-Doctoral Fellowship from McGill University. He is the course director for the implant curriculum at McGill University and has won the W.W.Wood Award for Excellence in Dental Teaching. Dr. Tamimi is currently Counselor at Large of the Canadian Association for Dental Research. He has published more than 80 articles in peer reviewed dental and medical Journals.

Thomas D. Taylor, DDS, MSD, FACP (University of Connecticut Health Center)



Dr. Taylor is professor and head, Department of Reconstructive Sciences and chairman, Division of Prosthodontics at the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine. He is involved in both clinical and laboratory research and has published extensively in the prosthodontic literature. He is a past editor of the International Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Implants. Dr. Taylor currently serves as executive director of as well as being past president of the American Board of Prosthodontics. He is past president of the American College of Prosthodontists, the International College of Prosthodontists and the International Team for Implantology (ITI). He is also past president of the Academy of Prosthodontics and the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics.

Nondas Vlachopoulos, CDT (Athens, Greece)



Nondas Vlachopoulos was born in Toronto, Canada. He acquired a BSc Hons from the School of Dental Technology of the Technological Educational Institution of Athens in 1989. In 1990, he established his own dental laboratory "AestheticLab" in Athens. Since 2001, he has been Opinion Leader for Noritake, Ivoclar Vivadent and MPF Brush in Greece. His laboratory collaborates with the postgraduate programs of the Dental School of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece, as

well as with the Department of Prosthodontics of the Eastman Institute of Oral Health (University of Rochester, USA). Since September 2015, he is cooperating to the practical education of the Postgraduate program leading to the MSc in dental Biomaterials/Materials of Dental Technology. Since May 2014, Nondas is an editorial reviewer at the AACD's Journal of Cosmetic Dentistry (jCD). Finally he is invited to lecture on dental aesthetics at international meetings and congresses. He has published articles in Greek and international Dental Technology journals.

Jonathan P. Wiens, DDS, MSD, FACP (West Bloomfield, MI)



Jonathan P. Wiens received his DDS from the University of Detroit Mercy. His advanced prosthodontic training and MS degree in fixed and removable prosthodontics and maxillofacial prosthetics was received at the Mayo Graduate School of Medicine. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics (ABP) and is currently serving as a board examiner. He is a Past-president of the ABP, the American College of Prosthodontists, the American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics, and the Academy of Prosthodontics. Dr. Wiens recently authored the ACP "Fundamentals of Occlusion" e-book and Position Statement on Occlusion and TMD. Dr. Wiens is the recipient of the Andrew J. Ackerman Memorial Award for outstanding contributions to maxillofacial prosthetics. He is an Adjunct Clinical Professor at University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry, the attending staff maxillofacial prosthodontist at Beaumont Hospital, and maintains a prosthodontic practice for more than 35 years in West Bloomfield, Michigan.

Ronald L. Wiens, MA, LMSW, ACSW (Allen Park, MI)



Ronald Wiens is a graduate of the University of Michigan, the University of Chicago, and is a member of the Academy of Certified Social Workers. Mr. Wiens is the Chief Strategic Operations Officer at Choice Schools Associates. Mr. Wiens was an outpatient therapist for 18 years, using systemic and cognitive behavioral therapeutic approaches, and has directed the operations of mental health outpatient clinics, a center for adolescent felony offenders, and a shelter for abused children.

Robert R. Winter, DDS (Scottsdale, AZ)



Dr. Winter graduated in 1981 from Marquette University School of Dentistry, and in 1983 completed his Prosthodontic Specialty Residency in Milwaukee, Wisconsin at the VA Medical Center. For the past 33 years he has maintained a private practice limited to Prosthodontics, and taught clinical and technical courses. In addition to his private practice, Dr. Winter is currently on staff at Spear in Scottsdale, Arizona, and is an executive in DLH's dental lab business, which includes the Winter Laboratory in Laguna Beach, CA. Dr. Winter sits on the advisory boards for the Journal of Esthetic and Restorative Dentistry, and The International Journal of Periodontics & Restorative Dentistry. He is a Past President of the American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry and a member of the American Academy of Restorative Dentistry. Having taught more than 700 didactic, clinical, and technical courses in over 40 countries, Dr. Winter is recognized around the world as a premier clinician and master ceramist. He is involved in research and product development pertaining to new dental materials, and was a co-developer of d.SIGN® dental ceramic. In 1991, he was the second recipient of the Gordon Christensen Lecturer Recognition Award for Excellence in Restorative Education, and in 2005, Dr. Winter was named Marquette University School of Dentistry Distinguished Alumni of the Year.