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# THE ORAL HEALTH FOUNDATION

## 2010 ANNUAL REPORT

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## **THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

The Faculty is led by Professor Chris Peck who is progressing new initiatives including the introduction in 2012 of the Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) to replace the current Bachelor of Dentistry (BDent). This new degree focuses on dentists as integral to the health care delivery system.

The OHF enthusiastically supports the Faculty in its role in placing the profession at the forefront of the professional challenges currently facing the healthcare system to build and delivery this concept.

The DMD sees the Faculty significantly increasing the focus on research and the OHF supports these important endeavours through its award of a scholarship for post-graduate research.

We also wish to particularly express thanks to the Australian dental industry for its continuing excellent support.

In 2010 there were a number of positive changes:

1. the Office of General Counsel created a uniform approach for all the Foundations within the University,
2. the OHF embarked on it's first funding campaign, and
3. increased membership of the OHF

The Foundation has also made significant strides in the creation of the Noel Martin Chair, by transferring the majority of its funds to the Noel Martin account. Against this background of positive changes we have continued our work to promote the advancement of oral health of the community in conjunction with the faculty alumni.

### **Membership of OHF**

The OHF has endeavoured to facilitate the involvement of a broad spectrum of the dental community, with representation from industry, regulatory authorities, private practitioners, the professional organisations, the recently-graduated dentists embarking on their professional lives, and current student cohort.

Membership of the OHF is shown below, for which I would like to wholeheartedly thank them and my executive officers for their support in 2010.



Douglas Stewart BDS, DipGDP,  
GradDipSciMed (pain), FRSPH

<b>OHF Members</b>	
Mr Andrew Batsakis	External Investments Manager The University of Sydney
Ms Natalie Byrne	Bachelor of Oral Health Student
Dr Zephyr Comino-Cerny	Representative for Regional dental practitioners and for the Continuing Education Committee
Dr Norton Duckmanton OAM	Adjunct Associate Professor Sydney South West Area health service
Dr Shane Fryer	Australian Dental Association Federal
Virginia Grafyn von Faber-Castell	Dental Board of NSW
Mr Kendall James	Student Bachelor of Dentistry and SUDUA representative
Ms Shauna Jarrett	Assistant Group Secretary, Office of the General Council the University of Sydney
Dr Alex Kalos	Dental practitioner and recent graduate
Mr Reuben Karunaikumar	Faculty Finance Officer
Dr Tom Lind	Australian Dental Association NSW
Mr Hugh McCuaig	Faculty Manager
Ms Sabrina Michael	Post Graduate Student
Dr Caroline Nguyen	Dental Practitioner
<b>OHF Executive</b>	
Dr. Catherine Groenlund	Dental Faculty, practitioner and Vice President OHF
Dr Chris Peck	Professor and Dean of the Dental faculty, and University Officer of the OHF
Dr. Douglas Stewart	Faculty Clinical Professor and President of the OHF
Simon Taggart	Treasurer Industry Representative
Jackie Williamson	OHF Secretariat

### **The introduction of changes to the Foundations Rules**

The University's Foundations are governed by Rules approved by the Senate. The rules ensure that the Foundations operate within the University's policy and procedures with respect to obligations as trustee of charitable funds provided to the University. The rules ensure that the Foundations operate within the University's Delegations of Authority. They have been effective in establishing a framework for compliance for the Foundations' legal and financial obligations. The recent amendments to the Rules this year (2011) with further enhance these structures and membership of the foundation councils and the interaction they will be able to undertake with external bodies.

### **ADA Support**

We congratulate and welcome Dr. Shane Fryer on his appointment as President of ADA Inc..

ADA (NSW) continues to demonstrate general support the Oral Health Foundation and we thank them for their ongoing assistance.

### **Funding Campaigns**

The OHF took part in the University of Sydney's spring fund raising campaign aimed at reaching University of Sydney alumni.

This campaign featured the work of Professor Noel Martin and his groundbreaking changes to the nation's dental health.

It also featured the work of OHF-sponsored students on their BDent Elective Projects which were conducted in remote and rural communities, both aboard and with Aboriginal communities in rural Australia to broaden their experience of dentistry in the wider community.

The campaign was very successful, increasing consciousness of the Oral Health Foundation and how the Foundation helps to improve an awareness of oral health in the community.

### **Electives Program**

A competitive scholarship was offered to students on the Bachelor of Dentistry program for the award of OHF financial assistance for Elective Projects. Nine students were awarded scholarships, to conduct community based projects with well known programs such as Tooth Aid in Asia, and the Flying Doctor Service in Rural Australia. These OHF scholarship students will present their project report on Faculty Research Day 22nd September 2011. The OHF also wishes to thank the Dental Industry, which also sponsored the student projects, this type of support enables us to continue to fund students for these important community based projects.



**Douglas Stewart**  
**President of the Oral Health Foundation**

## UNIVERSITY OFFICER'S REPORT

In my first 12 months as University Officer of the Oral Health Foundation it has been gratifying to have had the support of the Foundation's Council with further development of the Noel Martin Chair in Dentistry. We are closer to realising this endowed professorial position which is a fitting tribute to an important leader of the dental profession and accomplished Dean of the Faculty. When active, the Chair will contribute substantially to our program of courses and research across Dentistry.

Whilst reform continues in the government space, including the establishment of the Dental Board of Australia, review of course funding and rural and regional dental education, there have also been strategic changes within the University.

It is an exciting period as we embark on a strategic plan for the next five years.

Within the faculty, we have begun conversations on our research strategy and, in particular, on which key areas we need to focus.

We have research strengths across a number of disciplines and we aim to capitalize on these by developing research themes for integration into them.

The University Senate has now approved our proposed Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) degree. This course will replace the Bachelor of Dentistry for incoming 2012 students and, whilst the new degree will attain the same competencies as the current program, there will be a fundamental shift on learning and teaching practice. There will be a more formal focus on international experience, leadership development and research exposure to equip graduates for varied career options. We will continue to integrate research and education so that graduates approach their future career, whether it be in clinical practice, academia or public service, with an evidence base and continue to ask the question, "What's the evidence?"

We proudly continue to offer a comprehensive suite of clinical courses including our Bachelor of Oral Health and advanced postgraduate courses at graduate certificate, graduate diploma and doctor of clinical dentistry levels; and of course, our benchmark research degrees, the Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy also continue to attract the best and brightest. Our suite of courses provides enormous opportunities for students to embark on just about any career in dental health and services.



Chris Peck, BDS, MScDent, PhD  
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I thank the Foundation for their support and planning for increasing the resources of the Faculty. Without this, we could not offer the educational and research opportunities which provide enormous benefit to our community. As we embark on 2011 I look forward to continue to build the Faculty with the Oral Health Foundation's support, advice and enthusiasm.

**Chris Peck**  
**Dean of Dentistry**  
**University Officer for the Oral Health Foundation**

## **TREASURER'S REPORT – FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

During 2010, the Oral Health Foundation received income totalling \$202,248. Financial highlights include:

### **Donations**

Donations totalled \$12,075, comprised of \$10,000 from the Australian Dental Association and other donors.

### **Interest and Investment Income**

Oral Health Foundation earned interest and investment income totalling \$170,365 in 2010. The improvement in financial markets and higher interest rates made a positive impact on the return on investments.



Simon Taggart, MBus, BCom

### **Disbursements**

The disbursements for 2010 totalled \$389,014. The major payments for 2010 included:

- Student grants of \$13,800 towards 10 Elective Student Scholarships.
- Oral Health Foundation Scholarship stipends of \$22,509 and fee waiver of \$29,280 for Dr Amit Arora.
- Payment of \$303,073 to the Dental Council NSW, representing a refund of \$300,000 capital and \$3,073 unencumbered accumulated funds in the account, at the request of Dental Council NSW.

### **Income Statement**

Oral Health Foundation incurred a net financial deficit of \$186,767 during 2010. The large financial deficit is due to the capital refund to the Dental Council NSW, discussed above. The Foundation also provided financial support to the Faculty towards initiatives such as the Elective Student Scholarships.

### **Balance Sheet**

The net assets of the Foundation totalled \$2,906,192 as at 31 December 2010, with a market value of \$3,110,969.



### **The Year Ahead**

At the end of year 2010 the Oral Health Foundation made a decision to support the Noel Martin Chair and agreed to transfer all of its unencumbered funds to the Chair. During 2011 the Oral Health Foundation looks to accelerate its fund raising campaign with the appointment of a Development Officer, with a view to contributing towards various strategic initiatives of the Faculty.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Simon Taggart".

**Simon Taggart :Treasurer of the Oral Health Foundation**