

DIVISION OF GRADUATE DENTAL STUDIES &
SOCIETY OF PERIODONTOLOGY (SINGAPORE)**CDE PUBLIC LECTURE****“Association
of
Oral Conditions
with Systemic Diseases:
An Update”**by
Dr Alvin Yeo**Date & Time:**
Tuesday, 12 August 2003 ,
6.00 pm**Venue:**
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Faculty of Dentistry, Level 4,
National University Hospital**CDE Accreditation Point:**
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Chairperson:
Dr Marianne Ong

ABSTRACT

The concept of oral infections as a risk for systemic disease is not new to dentistry and has been suggested at various eras throughout the centuries. The emergence of oral sepsis as a cause for systemic disease began sometime before the turn of the nineteenth century but was disregarded in the 1940s. However, it resurfaced again in importance around the 1990s. Since then much research have been conducted and findings gathered to suggest the possible association with oral disease, such as periodontitis, with systemic diseases. This presentation aims to introduce the concept of risk and new evidences of periodontal infection for systemic conditions and focuses mainly the impact on coronary heart disease and pregnancy outcomes. A need for additional knowledge is required to link the interrelationships between dentistry and medicine to further improve the management of overall health of patients.

About the Speaker

Dr Alvin Yeo, received his Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) degree from the National University of Singapore in 1997 and graduated in Periodontics at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA in May 2003 with a Certificate in Periodontics and a Master of Science degree in Oral Biology.

His current research focuses on periodontitis as a risk for pregnancy complications and low birth weight infants. He has Dr. Offenbacher, an internationally reputed research as his research mentor. Dr Yeo received the Derek Turner Student Research Award for an oral presentation at the Dental Research Review in February 2003. He has been nominated to take part as one of the four finalists in the Basic Science Category, in the Balint Orban Research Competition at the 2003 American Academy of Periodontology (AAP) Annual Meeting in San Francisco, California in September this year. Dr Yeo is currently full-time staff in Periodontics, National Dental Centre.

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