

The Foundation and the College are aligned to advance education, research, and strategic opportunities for growth. Here are some of the outcomes from your support in 2023, with much more to come in the year ahead.

### SUPPORT FOR EDUCATION

#### Future Leaders of the Specialty

The Foundation funded the 2023 Postdoctoral Resident Support Program, a package of ACP educational resources for more than 640 residents. This program introduces residents to the community of prosthodontics and provides information to maximize their training and education. It also includes administration of the National Prosthodontic Resident Exam through the Advanced Prosthodontic Program Directors to help residents assess their knowledge. 447 residents from 48 programs took the exam in 2023, which is available for all ACP members on ACP Anywhere

In addition to supporting the knowledge of future prosthodontists, the Foundation also supports their involvement with the College! The ACPEF provided support for over 640 residents to join the College at no cost while they complete their residency. The Foundation was also proud to support travel stipends for 269 residents so they could attend and participate in the ACP's 2023 Annual Session.



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#### 2023 Annual Appeal

The 2023 Annual Appeal helped advance the specialty by supporting and expanding the ongoing programs of the ACPEF. Led by Chair Dr. Joseph DiFazio, along with the 2023 Annual Appeal Committee members, the Appeal successfully surpassed its goal and raised \$80,834 from 231 members and 3 state sections. Thank you to the individual donors, state sections, and committee leaders that made this success possible. Your investment of time and resources makes it possible for the ACPEF to help usher in the future of the specialty.



Held during the 2023 Annual Session in San Diego, the fall meeting brought together over 170 educators.

#### Joint Educators Meeting

In 2023 the ACPEF hosted two Joint Educator Meetings, one in the spring and one in the fall. The Spring meeting was held in April and attended by 100 educators representing over 50 institutions. The predoctoral program included presentations on contemporary ceramics, advancements in teaching removeables, and techniques for removeable partial prostheses. The postdoctoral program focused on digital integration, challenges facing new program directors, and a CODA experience at UAB. Held during the 2023 Annual Session in San Diego, the fall meeting brought together over 170 educators. The predoctoral program featured lectures on ceramic restorations, innovations in dental implant education, and highlights of the digital implant predoctoral program at University of Kentucky. The postdoctoral program featured topics including a program spotlight of USC, curriculum model for pediatric prosthodontics, board certification, and program administration.

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### *Resident & Dental Student Digital Poster Session*

The Foundation funded the Resident and Dental Student Digital Poster Session at the 2023 Annual Session, where more than 100 posters were presented. In addition, posters were placed on a dedicated website where they were open to all ACP members and the public to view. The 2023 competition was chaired by Dr. Fengyuan Zheng.

### 2023 Poster Competition 1st Place Winners



Resident Original Research Category  
*Flexural Strength, Surface Roughness, and Biofilm Formation of Ceramic Reinforced PEEK: An in vitro Comparative Study*  
Dr. Lolowh Almogbel  
University At Buffalo



Resident Case Presentation Category  
*Fabrication of a zygomatic implant-retained obturator utilizing digital workflow: A Case Report*  
Dr. Evangelia Gkoulitou  
Louisiana State University



Predocutorial Category  
*Effect of Expiration Date on Flexural Strength of 3D-Printed Interim Resin Material*  
Natalia Jakacki  
University At Buffalo

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### *Research Fellowships*

The ACP Education Foundation awarded \$30,000 in research grants. Each fall, the Foundation awards research fellowship grants of up to \$6,000 each. These grants are intended to support meritorious research proposals that seek to advance basic scientific and applied clinical knowledge in prosthodontics.

#### *Reverse scan body: A Novel Technique for Capturing and Verifying Full-Arch Digital Implant Impressions: In-Vitro Study.*

Principal Investigator: Dr. Ahmed A. Elsayyad  
School: University of British Columbia (2026)

#### *Stability of Angled Multi-unit Abutments in Complete-Arch Fixed Implant-Supported Protheses*

Principal Investigator: Dr. Mevadee Pibulniyom  
School: University of Washington (2025)

#### *Influence of a photosensitizer loading on the physicochemical and antimicrobial properties of a denture resin for additive manufacturing*

Principal Investigator: Dr. Amr Farrag  
School: University of British Columbia (2025)

#### *Effects of Rapid Sintering Protocols on Colorimetric and Optical Properties of Dental Zirconia with Different Yttria Concentrations*

Principal Investigator: Dr. Zidu Zeng  
School: University of Pennsylvania (2025)

#### *Repairability of a 3D printed resin: Effects of surface treatment and the type of repair resin on the shear bond strength.*

Principal Investigator: Dr. Andreas Onisiforou  
School: University of Michigan (2025)

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### Sharry Awards Competition

The John J. Sharry Research Competition is held annually to stimulate and acknowledge original research in prosthodontics by students. The 2023 competition was chaired by Dr. Hai Zhang.



#### 1st Place

**Performance of Different Cellular Phone Applications for Color Measurement of Dental Material**  
Anh Duong (Joy) Dang, DDS, MS  
University of Texas Health Science Center-Houston (2023)



#### 2nd Place

**Fracture Strength of Cement-Retained Lithium Disilicate Implant-Supported Crown: Effect of Material Used for Two-Piece Abutment**  
Jekita Kaenploy, DDS, MS  
University at Buffalo (2023)



#### 3rd Place

**Effect of Different Storage Conditions on Dimensional Accuracy of 3D-Printed Dental Models**  
Raghdah Alshuibani, BDS  
Boston University Goldman School of Dental Medicine (2024)

#### Additional Sharry Competition finalists include

**Comparison of Surface Characteristics of Denture Base Resin Materials with Two Surface Treatment Protocols and Simulated Brushing**  
Heshman Alouthah, BDS, MSD  
Indiana University (2023)

**Retention Force of Titanium Copings to Implant-Supported Fixed Dental Prostheses**  
Ashley Chaim, DDS, MSD  
University of Washington (2023)

**Effect of Cleaning Solution on Surface Properties of 3D-Printed Denture Materials**  
Nadima Khodor, BDS  
University of Louisville (2025)



### Founders Society Award

In the spirit of its founders, the Foundation presented the Founders Society Award to honor an individual who has made a significant impact on the growth and development of the Foundation and who has demonstrated an extraordinary level of commitment to the Foundation. The 2023 Founders Society Award recipient was Dr. Frank J. Tuminelli.

Dr. Frank J. Tuminelli was recognized as the recipient of the 2023 ACPEF Founders Society Award, which honors individuals who have made a significant impact on the growth and development of the ACP Education Foundation, and have demonstrated an extraordinary level of commitment to the advancement of the specialty. Dr. Tuminelli was selected for his legacy of vision, leadership, service, and dedication to the Foundation and the specialty of prosthodontics.

Dr. Tuminelli is a long-time supporter of the ACPEF and previously served on the ACPEF Board of Directors, and is a past president of the ACP.

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