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AADR Announces 2008-09 Election Results for Vice President, Publications Committee

Alexandria, Va. – The American Association for Dental Research (AADR) is pleased to announce the election of Dr. David Wong as the 2008-09 AADR Vice President and the election of Dr. Mina Mina as the 2008-09 AADR Representative to the IADR/AADR Publications Committee. Wong, professor and associate dean of research at the University of California Los Angeles, School of Dentistry, and director of the Dental Research Institute, will serve a four-year term on the AADR Board, serving as AADR vice president in 2008-09, AADR president-elect in 2009-10, AADR president in 2010-11, and AADR immediate past president in 2011-12. Mina, professor and chair of the Division of Pediatric Dentistry in the Department of Craniofacial Sciences at the University of Connecticut Health Center, will serve a three-year term as the AADR representative on the IADR/AADR Publications Committee.

“I am firmly committed to the mission of the AADR, its core value in building the scientific foundation of oral health and dentistry, and its advocacy to ensure that the scientific pursuits of our profession can be continued and firmly grounded with the resources and funding from both Federal and private sectors,” said Wong, who has been a member of the IADR/AADR since 1985. “I will work with the leadership at AADR, NIDCR, ADEA, ADA and other oral health and dentistry organizations to advance and promote policies and programs that improve the nation’s oral health, as well as advance dental and craniofacial research and education.”

Mina, an IADR/AADR member since 1983, said her past and present involvement in various activities in the IADR/AADR and beyond has provided her with a solid background and good understanding of the critical issues facing the dental and oral health research community. “I look forward to the opportunity of helping our organization to promote the importance of dental and oral health research through the Journal of Dental Research and other journals jointly owned by the IADR/AADR.”

The American Association for Dental Research (AADR), headquartered in Alexandria, Va., is a non-profit organization with more than 4,000 members in the United States. Its mission is: (1) to advance research and increase knowledge for the improvement of oral health; (2) to support and represent the oral health research community; and (3) to facilitate the communication and application of research findings. The AADR is the largest Division of the International Association for Dental Research (IADR).

The Journal of Dental Research (JDR) is the official publication of the International & American Associations for Dental Research (IADR/AADR), and continues to hold the top SIF ranking of all dental journals worldwide. The IADR is a non-profit organization with more than 11,000 individual members worldwide, dedicated to: (1) advancing research and increasing knowledge to improve oral health, (2) supporting the oral health research community, and (3) facilitating the communication and application of research findings for the improvement of oral health worldwide.

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