

How NIH Can Help You Become a Dentist-Scientist

Career with

DDS/DMD-PhD

Definitely want dental research as a major part of a medical career

Career with

DDS/DMD

Interested in health and disease and a career with research

College

Explore Research



- Summer research [NIH-R25](#)
- One-two years after college [NIH-IRTA](#)
- Summer Internship Program at NIH

Dental School

Engage in Research



Complete a PhD

- Graduate fellowship [NIH-F30](#), [NIH-F31](#)
 - Integrated DDS/DMD – PhD NIDCR institutional [NIH-T32](#), [T90](#)

Explore research

- Summer research [NIH-T35](#)
- Full year research [NIH-TL1](#)
- Full year research [NIH-MSRP](#)
- NIDCR Summer Dental Student Award
- NIH Clinical Electives Program

Postdoctoral Research & Dental Specialty

Build research and clinical skills



- Opportunities in NIH Clinical Center
- Pursue a Master's Program or PhD [F32](#)
- Postdoctoral Research NIDCR [T32](#), [T90/R90](#)
- Dental Clinical Research Fellowship at NIH
- Dental Public Health Residency
- Dentist Pathway to Independence [K99/R00](#)
- Loan Repayment Award [NIH-LRP](#)

Early Faculty

Combine clinical care and research



- Clinical translational research [NIH-KL2](#)
- Focused research [NIH-K12](#)
- Individual career development [NIH-K](#)

A Career as a Dentist Scientist

Conduct research on biomedical mechanisms, diagnosis and therapy, population and outcome medicine, health policy or health services

Work at Academic Health Centers, Hospitals, Federal Laboratories, or Biotech/Pharmaceutical industry



- Collaborate with a team of researchers [NIH-U01](#), [R24](#)
- Independent research projects grants [NIH-R01](#), [R21](#)
- National Practice Based Research Network [NIH PBRN](#)



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