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To, *Ref. No. POPMA/INT/LTR/2023/01*

Date: 10th Nov. 2023

The Respected members of POPMA
Warm greetings to all!!


I hope this letter finds everyone in happy spirits while we prepare for the upcoming festival season.

Firstly, I would like to express my gratitude towards all the oral pathologists who have expressed faith in this association and acknowledged my work.

Though I am the founder president but no hierarchical discrimination will be practiced pertaining to association's working and decisions. I want this association to be apolitical and keen stress will be laid on uniting and empowering oral pathologists by making them competent in the subject so that they can dig out more opportunities to lead a decent life.

POPMA will follow the policy of equality and every suggestion or feedback matters. Anything related to POPMA; (be it documents, accounts and working model of the association) will be transparent and easily accessible to all the members of POPMA. The jurisdiction and area of operation of POPMA is extended across India as members of POPMA are from more than 8 different states and resolution pertaining to this has been passed. Life members from different states will be our state representatives appointed to address the problems/issues faced by oral pathologists of that particular state.

For establishing POPMA, 7 founder members were required and the rest will be the life and ordinary members. We have a capping of 500 members in total which includes 250 life members and 243 ordinary members. Though the number in any association is vital but what I am really interested to have enthusiastic members who are practice-oriented professionals (especially Oral Pathologists), be it institutional or private.


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In POPMA, we will have professionals from different health science specialties (general pathology, general microbiology, clinical biochemistry, general radiology, oral radiology, biotechnology, basic medical sciences, healthcare administration, veterinary sciences etc.) who support oral pathology and microbiology as a unique medical/dental entity. This will help us in creating awareness to the core conventional medical fraternity, health care sector and public at a large scale.

My brief vision and road map with POPMA to proceed further:

Acquiring competency through training and education:

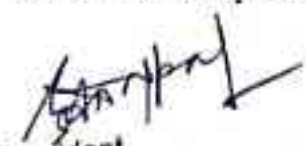
For making MDS oral pathology as one of the requisite qualifications for authorized signatory of laboratory reports, we all need to become more competent and confident in our subject.

Challenges that Oral Pathologists are facing today:

Important aspects of oral pathology which are vital to sustain in the practice of the subject are not taught in the colleges during post-graduation. Freshers do not have enough exposure to pathology diagnostic set up/lab.

In order to curb this issue, my diagnostic unit is open for visit, observer ship or any kind of training in the allied aspects of oral pathology (be it hematology, serology, clinical biochemistry, immunoassay, clinical pathology, microbiology, FNAC etc.). I am also open to guide our esteemed members through the process of setting up of the diagnostic unit.

If I, as an individual, can practice other allied aspects of oral and general pathology then why can't others. All we need is to change our mindset and think beyond the conventional aspects of the subject.


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On the association level, an academy is also being created with the name of Academy of Oral Pathology & Laboratory Medicine (AOPLM) which will work under the banner of POPMA. The trainings and guidance will be free of cost for POPMA life members. POPMA members will be my first priority but simultaneously, no one will be denied of this opportunity. The travel, boarding, lodging and food expenses shall be borne by the candidate. I have already designed the course curriculum and an academic committee will be formed soon to execute the operations of AOPLM.

Creating awareness about oral pathology to government agencies, legislative bodies and public at large:

POPMA will write letters (regarding branch awareness, its signatory status and creating more career opportunities) to:

- The Prime Minister of India
- The Health Minister of India
- Different Govt. bodies (Dental Council Of India/National Dental Commission)
- The Ministry of Health and Family welfare (MOHFW)
- All The Cancer Centers In India
- All the major corporate labs/diagnostic centers in India (DrLalPath Labs, Metropolis Health care Ltd, Agilus Diagnostics, Abott Diagnostics etc)
- ICMR
- Clinical Establishment Act committee
- NABL & NABH

POPMA will also write to DCI for making necessary amendments in our current DCI MDS oral pathology curriculum. Initially, association's best effort to achieve objective through writing letters but if we don't get the expected response we will make representations to various government and legislative bodies. Later, we will organize short educational events (online or offline) at the association level.


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I am completely uncertain about the outcome/consequence for our efforts but be assured that you will see my utmost sincerity, honesty, hard work and dedication to fight for the rights and safeguarding the interests of all oral pathology fraternity.

I request all the members and fellow oral pathologists to motivate your friends and colleagues at a postgraduate level to become a life member of our prestigious association who are willing to practice the specialty of Oral Pathology and Microbiology.

"Dreams Don't Work Until You Do"

With this quote, I thank you all for your support and trust.


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Date: 23/11/2023

To,

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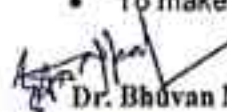
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To,

Date: 23rd Nov. 2023

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Resignation letter

From,

Dr. Yoithap Prabhunath TR (LM 11) & Dr. Sri Chinthu KK (LM 12),
Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association,
2/128, Ethiraj Garden, Kondayampalayam,
Erode Dist, Tamil Nadu – 638505

To

Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal,
President,
Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association,
Haryana.

Respected Sir,

Sub: Resignation from state representative post of POPMA reg.

We have registered ourself as life members in this visionary association since 28.10.2023. We were assigned a position as state representatives for Tamil Nadu. Due to our personal and professional work commitment, we would like to resign from the state representative position and we will continue our life membership. Thank you for understanding.

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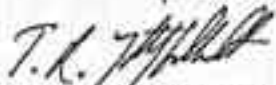
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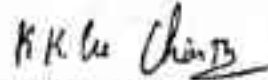
Date: 30.11.2023

Sincerely,

Accepted

President
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Thu, Nov 30, 2023 at 9:27 PM

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Fri, Dec 1, 2023 at 4:35 PM

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Respected Sir and Madam,

I have received your resignation letter from the post of State Representative of POPMA for Tamil Nadu state.

It will be placed in the Governing Body meeting soon and the decision for the same will be informed to you in due course of time.

Thanks & Regards

Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal (President)

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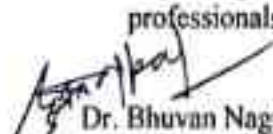
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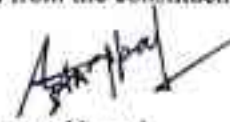
I am happy to inform you all about the list of constituent members of the Scientific Research Committee (SRC) and Interview Board (IB) of POPMA for the year 2024. They are as follows:

1. Dr. Mandana Donoghue
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3. Dr. Divya Uppala
4. Dr. Arushi Pandey
5. Dr. Abhishek Bhadranna
6. Dr. K. K. Sri Chinthu
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12. Dr. N. Aravindha Babu
13. Dr. Saikat Chakraborty
14. Dr. Richa Singh
15. Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal

The role of Scientific Research Committee (SRC) and Interview Board (IB) of POPMA:

- Scientific Research Committee (SRC) will scrutinize the individual applications for POPMA Research Grant for MDS students and POPMA Gold Medal
- Interview Board (IB) will conduct interviews for fellowship course and observership program of AOPLM.

Out of all the constituent members of SRC and IB of POPMA, an interview panel of 5 members will be constituted who will conduct interview for the candidates who have applied for fellowship course/observership program/ POPMA Research Grant/POPMA Gold Medal. Everytime, whenever an interview will be scheduled, the set of interviewers in an interview panel will be different but will be chosen from the constituent members of SRC & IB of POPMA on volunteer and rotational basis.


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REGARDING CONSENT OF POPMA

2 messages

Mon, Feb 5, 2024 at 3:00 PM

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To: mandana@oralpathology360.com

Dear Dr. Mandana mam

As per our telephonic conversation, I, on behalf of POPMA, hereby, give consent to be knowledge partner of International Oral Diseases Case Presentation Conference 2024. Usage of the POPMA logo is also permitted. I am thankful to you for considering POPMA to be knowledge partner of the conference. kindly acknowledge the same.

Thanks & Regards

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Thank you and duly noted, dear Dr. Bhuvan.

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To,

Date: 28/02/2024

The Respected Members of POPMA

Warm greetings to all!!

I am glad to inform you about:

❖ the addition of members in the list of state representatives of POPMA are as follows:

1. Assam – Dr. Farnaz Yasmin Shah (M. 9873485707)
2. West Bengal – Dr. Abhishek Bannerjee (M. 9886938095)

Duties of State Representatives of POPMA will be:

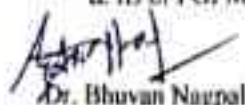
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- To write letters (authorized by POPMA) to the government and legislative agencies of that particular state.
- To make representations to the government bodies, if needed.

❖ the addition of Dr. Abhishek Bannerjee as an esteemed member in the list of constituent members of the Scientific Research Committee (SRC) and Interview Board (IB) of POPMA for the year 2024.

The role of Scientific Research Committee (SRC) and Interview Board (IB) of POPMA is:

- Scientific Research Committee (SRC) will scrutinize the individual applications for POPMA Research Grant for MDS students and POPMA Gold Medal
- Interview Board (IB) will conduct interviews for fellowship course and observership program of AOPLM.

Out of all the constituent members of SRC and IB of POPMA, an interview panel of 5 members will be created who will conduct interview for the candidates who have applied for fellowship course, observership program, POPMA Research Grant and POPMA Gold Medal. Everytime, whenever an interview will be scheduled, the set of interviewers in an interview panel will be different but will be chosen from the constituent members of SRC & IB of POPMA on volunteer and rotational basis.


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1. Assam - Dr. Faraz Yousmin Shah (M. 9873485707) & Dr. Panchali Bora (M. 9706411533)
2. Andhra Pradesh - Dr. Divya Uppala (M. 9966415710) & Dr. M. Neeharika (M. 9948777396)
3. Chattisgarh - Dr. Sonalee Shah (M. 7727860327)
4. Gujarat - Dr. Arpan Shah (M. 8141258139) & Dr. Piyush Asnani (M. 7203893460)
5. Goa - Dr. Anupama Mukherjee (M. 9823252706)
6. Haryana - Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal (M. 7027038190) & Dr. Anuj Kalra (M. 9896037444)
7. Karnataka - Dr. Vidushi Lalwani (M. 9844256688) & Dr. T. Sreenivasa Bharath (M. 9703931755)
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To

Date: 23/03/2024

Adv. Mrinmoi Chatterjee
Adv. Varun Dev Mishra
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Subject: Reg. Legal Advisors/Advocates for POPMA and its members

Dear Adv. Mrinmoi Chatterjee and Adv. Varun Dev Mishra

In reference to your letter of intent regarding legal advisors/advocates for Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association (POPMA) dated 21.03.2024, we are pleased to have you both as legal advisors/advocates w.e.f. 23.03.2024 for our association and its esteemed members.

Thanking you

Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal



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Dear POPMA Members,

I hope this message finds you in good health.

We are delighted to present the audit report for the financial year 2023-24, which provides a comprehensive overview of the financial activities of our association.

The report briefs about the association's finances & funds allocation and illustrates our commitment to financial transparency.

We encourage all members to review the attached audit report to stay informed.

Should you have any questions or queries regarding the report, feel free to reach out. I will be happy to assist.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to POPMA.

Thanks & Regards


Dr. Anuj Kalra (Treasurer)

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Date: 03/08/2024

To,

The Respected Members, POPMA

Warm greetings to all!!

I am glad to share the detailed justifications and documentary evidences to support the letters sent by POPMA to the Honorable Prime Minister and Health Minister of India regarding authorized signatory status of MDS (Oral Pathology & Microbiology) qualification for laboratory reports and which can be produced when required.

• **About Oral Pathology and Oral Pathologists:**

The specialized field of pathology and dentistry dealing with the diseases of oral cavity and its associated structures (i.e. teeth, tongue, bony tissue (maxilla & mandible), joint (Temporo-mandibular joint; TMJ), lymph nodes, nerves, blood vessels), of the ear, nose and throat and of the structures in the neck has been referred to as either Oral Pathology or Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology or Head & Neck Pathology. These structures are also part of human body and do have systemic implications from other organs of the human body as oral & perioral structures are connected with the rest of the human body which is a proven fact according to the scientific medical literature. *The doctors having academic degree/qualification of M.D.S. (Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology & Oral Microbiology) which is a recognized qualification granted by statutory body Dental Council of India (DCI) governed by Govt. of India are called Oral Pathologists.*

Oral Pathologists are highly skilled dental/medical specialists with a focus on the diagnosis and management of oral and systemic conditions. Their knowledge spans a broad spectrum of medical and dental ailments, including numerous oral and maxillofacial malignancies/cancers including oral mucosa, salivary glands, jaw bones, hard tissue of odontogenic origin, lymph nodes, mucocutaneous disorders, and other oral expressions of systemic diseases. Because these disorders are

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complicated and often have a significant impact on patient's overall health and treatment, oral pathologists are well-qualified to make precise and trustworthy diagnostic evaluations.

• Prevalence of Oral Cancer in India:

Oral cancer is one of India's top three cancers. Any malignancy found on the lip, floor of the mouth, lining of the cheek, gingiva, palate, or tongue is referred to as oral cancer. The most common risk factors associated with oral cancer are tobacco use (including cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, and chewing betel nut), chronic alcoholism, and the human papillomavirus (HPV). Oral cancer affects the majority of people between the ages of 50 and 70, although it may affect children as young as ten years old. Incidence of oral cancer increases with age. Oral cancer affects 20 people out of every 100,000 people in India, accounting for roughly 30% of all cancers. Oral cancer claims the lives of over 5 people in India every hour, and oropharyngeal and hypopharyngeal cancer claim the lives of the same number of people. Cancer registration is not compulsory in India, so the true cases of incidence and mortality may be higher than reported.

Oral cancer is a serious issue in India and significant public health problem, and early detection and preventive efforts will help to alleviate the burden. Efforts to expand the literature on disease etiology and geographic distribution of risk factors have started to gain attention here. The National Cancer Prevention Programme was established in India between 1975 and 1976. As a result, oncology wings in medical colleges have expanded, and Regional Cancer Centres (RCCs) have grown.

Despite Oral Pathologists are qualified and skilled healthcare professionals who deal with oral cancers in all aspects on routine basis (diagnosis, research, tobacco cessation and patient education), still majority of Cancer Centres, Diagnostic Centres and Pathology Laboratories (whether government or private) have no vacancies/job opportunities for MDS Oral Pathologists. Very few cancer centres are providing official educational training programs like Fellowships/Post Graduate Certificate Courses (PGCC), observership and non-stipendiary programs are not included in these educational courses. As a result, majority of skilled, qualified, trained and specialised workforce of oral pathologists are underutilised in the current scenario in India.

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The detailed justifications for considering oral pathologists as one of the eligible healthcare professionals for different employable opportunities in medical diagnostic sector are as under:

According to the Dental Council of India (DCI) Revised M.D.S. Course Regulations, 2007 and 2017 published in The Gazette of India: Extraordinary (Part III, Section 4),

- On page no. 87, the 1st and 2nd objective state: "To train a postgraduate dental surgeon so as to ensure higher competence in both general and special pathology dealing with the nature of oral diseases, their causes, processes, and effects". "An Oral Pathologist is expected to perform the routine histopathological evaluation of specimens relating to oral and perioral tissues, to carry out routine diagnostic procedures including hematological, cytological, microbiological, immunological and ultrastructural investigations".
- on Page no. 91 under point no. 13; Basic Histotechniques and Microscopy, And Page no. 93 under the section: "Laboratory Techniques and Diagnosis", "Routine Hematological tests and clinical significance of the same"
- On page 91 of the "Clinical Pathology" section: "Laboratory investigations – Hematology, Microbiology, and Urine Analysis"
- On page no. 94 under the section "Scheme of examination in sub-section (B) Practical/Clinical": "Smear Preparation: Cytology or Microbial smear" as well as "Histopathology slide discussion"

Therefore, as per the DCI MDS Regulations, An Oral Pathologist should have adequate training and competency to report the following laboratory tests: Histopathology & Cytopathology of specimens belonging to oral & perioral tissues, Routine Hematology, Clinical Pathology, Routine Microbiology, Routine Serology, Routine Clinical Biochemistry, Molecular Pathology and Ultrastructural Investigations.

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According to the Dental Council of India (DCI) B.D.S. Internship Regulations, 2011 published in The Gazette of India: Extraordinary (Part III, Section 4), state the following
On page no. 15

- "Blood, Urine and Sputum examination",
- "Exfoliative Cytology and smears study", and
- "Biopsy- Laboratory procedure and reporting"

According to Medical Council of India (MCI); Minimum Qualification for Teachers in Medical Institutions Regulations, 1998 published in The Gazette of India: Extraordinary (Part III, Section 4) dated 5th Dec. 1998 under section of Index of Teaching specialties, it is mentioned that *Dentistry is one of the recognized branches of modern scientific medicine. Dentistry is also taught during Phase - III of MBBS curriculum as a part of Surgery.*

According to the National Medical Commission (NMC), *Dentistry is one of the 29 recognized broad medical specialties and is also taught during the MBBS curriculum.*

According to the recent Judgment passed by the Madurai Bench of Honorable Madras High Court on 23.03.2023 vide W.P.(MD)No.4882 of 2023 which stated that *BDS is also a recognized modern system of medicine dealing with dentistry.*

As per Dental Council of India (DCI) Revised M.D.S. Course Regulations, 2007 published in The Gazette of India: Extraordinary (Part III, Section 4), Page No. 6 under section of syllabus distribution among various specialties, it is mentioned that *Oral Pathology & Microbiology is one of recognized branches under dentistry as per DCI.*

As per the minutes of meeting in respect of Medical Diagnostic Laboratories including signing authority/Technical head of medical diagnostic laboratory of the sub-committee held under the chairmanship of Dr. B. D. Athani, Spl. DG on 1st Nov 2017 at New Delhi, it is mentioned under point no. 2 and on 8th March 2018 at New Delhi, it is mentioned under point no. 4:

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"Regarding signing of Laboratory Reports by those holding MDS qualification in Oral Pathology, it may be allowed as per Dental Council of India."

Therefore, Oral Pathology & Microbiology is an overlapping branch of dentistry as well as pathology and inturn a branch of modern scientific medicine. This fact has been acknowledged by Royal College of Pathologists, UK by considering Oral Pathology as one its recognized branches.

As per the replies to RTIs filed to various dental colleges by Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal, qualified Oral Pathologists holding MDS degrees in the subject of Oral Pathology & Microbiology have been signing laboratory reports for past many years. These reports cover routine hematological, cytological, microbiological, biochemical, immunological, and histopathological investigations referred to the Dept. of Oral Pathology & Microbiology in government and private dental colleges recognized by the DCI.

Another RTI reply from the Dental Council of India confirmed that a dentist can perform procedures included in the syllabus/course curriculum of MDS Oral Pathology & Microbiology.

- **Legal consideration pertaining to this matter:**

According to the current Bhartiya Sakshya Adhiniyam (BSA), 2023, and Indian Evidence Act, 1872 (which is repealed), the term "document" means "any matter expressed or described or otherwise recorded upon any substance by means of letters, figures or marks or any other means or by more than one of those means, intended to be used, or which may be used, for the purpose of recording that matter and includes electronic and digital records". Primary Evidence is the best available proof of the existence of an object or a fact because it is an actual document or the authentic source of evidence. Secondary evidence is the evidence that has been duplicated from a unique report or has been substituted from the first thing. Public Documents are those documents that are authenticated by a public officer and subsequently which is made available to the public at large for reference and use. They include Central Acts, orders, or notifications which are certified by the Heads of the departments concerned, and Proceedings of the Legislatures – Journals of those bodies or copies printed by the Govt. Information obtained under the RTI Act is

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part of the documents held by Public Authority, who are Gazetted officers. A certified copy of a document received by virtue of the RTI Act is secondary evidence. It can be used as Secondary Evidence in Court, since it is part of the Government records and provided by Govt. Authorities, certified under Govt. Seal.

Primary Evidence under Section 57 of Bhartiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023 (which corresponds to Section 62 of Indian Evidence Act, 1872) pertaining to the above stated matter are as follows:

1. Dental Council of India (DCI) MDS Regulations, 2007 & 2017 for the subject of Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology and Oral Microbiology
2. Dental Council of India (DCI) B.D.S. Internship Regulations, 2011
3. Dental Council of India (DCI) Dentist Code of Ethics, 2014
4. NABL approval letter to DCI regarding MDS Oral Pathology & Microbiology qualification as one of the authorized signatories for lab reports, 2018

Secondary Evidence under Section 58 of Bhartiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023, And Section 63 Of Indian Evidence Act, 1872 pertaining to the above stated matter are as follows:

1. Replies to RTI filed to prestigious government dental institutions from different parts of India by Dr Bhuvan Nagpal from the year 2016 to 2019
2. Minutes of the meeting of MOHFW regarding the Medical Diagnostic Laboratories including signing authority/Technical head of medical diagnostic laboratory held in the years 2017 & 2018
3. RTI reply stating that a dentist can perform the procedures whatever is present in the syllabus/course curriculum of MDS Oral Pathology & Microbiology, 2020
4. NABL Decision Letter for grant of accreditation to Tohana Manglam Diagnostics, Tohana, Haryana (125120) 2022 & 2024 in which Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal is the NABL-approved signatory for lab reports with hematology, clinical pathology, clinical biochemistry, infectious disease serology, and microbiology as the scope of accreditation.

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Then why can't a postgraduate degree holder (M.D.S. in Oral Pathology & Microbiology) who is specially trained in general and special pathology is allowed to sign the lab reports?

Some other important points for which attention is required pertaining to the allied aspects of Oral Pathology:

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- Routine hematological investigations [majorly Complete Blood Count (CBC)] are performed and signed out on daily basis by Oral & Maxillofacial Pathologist

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from past many years in the department of Oral Pathology & Microbiology of many dental colleges across India.

- CBC (which includes Total RBC Count along with MCV, MCH, MCHC, RDW, Total WBC count, Differential WBC count, Total Platelet Count, MPV, PDW) is required for diagnosing different types of anemia (in which glossitis is the major oral manifestation of anemia) and pyogenic infections affecting oral and maxillofacial region. CBC is also a choice of investigation done before any oral surgical procedure.

2. Clinical Pathology –

- Tzank smear is required for diagnosis of vesico-bullous lesions such as Pemphigus vulgaris, Bullous pemphigoid, Erosive lichen planus, Steven Johnson Syndrome, Herpes simplex, varicella, herpes zoster etc.
- Complete Urine analysis is required to know glucose to diagnose diabetes, bence-jones protein for multiple myeloma and uric acid crystals for gout.
- Sputum examination using AFB stain for diagnosis of tuberculosis
- Salivary examination & sialolith chemistry examination

3. Routine Serology –

- HIV, HBsAg & HCV (either by slide and agglutination method or ELISA) are required by either a dental/oral surgeon or a general surgeon before carrying out any surgical procedure. The results of the investigations will not alter if the surgery is performed either on oral & maxillofacial region or any other part of the body.
- VDRL – required for diagnosis of syphilis which has major oral manifestations like chancre, mucous patches, gumma, screwdriver-shaped incisor (Hutchinson's incisors) and Mulberry molars.
- CRP – required for acute inflammatory conditions either infections or tissue injury affecting oral & maxillofacial region. It is useful indicator in Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE) and Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA). SLE & RA has several oral & maxillofacial manifestations.

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- RA factor – required for the diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis which can affect TMJ
4. Routine Oral Microbiology –
- Examination of direct microbial smears by using different types microbial stains.
 - Isolation of oral microflora (bacteria/fungus) using different culture techniques & sensitivity
 - Examination of pus/purulent material drained from oral & maxillofacial region (e.g. fascial space infections)
 - Caries Activity Tests
5. Routine Clinical Biochemistry –
- Blood sugar (Fasting, Post-Prandial;PP or Random) and HbA1c – are required for diagnosis of diabetes mellitus. Patients with diabetes mellitus presents with periodontitis and periodontal abscess as major oral manifestations. According to WHO, Periodontitis is considered sixth complication of diabetes mellitus. Random Blood Sugar (RBS) is commonly advised/prescribed investigation either by a dental/oral surgeon or a general surgeon for any kind of surgical procedure. The results of RBS will remain the same for that particular patient if the surgery is performed either on oral & maxillofacial region or any other part of the body.
 - Lipid Profile (including cholesterol, triglycerides, HDL, LDL, VLDL) - can be used a useful marker in the early diagnosis of oral premalignant conditions like Oral Submucous Fibrosis (OSMF). OSMF is a common condition in Indian subcontinent which affects oral cavity particularly due to areca nut chewing habit. Studies have shown that the decreased serum lipid profile may be considered as a useful indicator for initial changes occurring in the cells of potentially malignant disorders like OSMF.
 - Liver Function Tests; LFT (including Bilirubin, AST, ALT) - Studies have shown that oral mucosal lesions are commonly found in children with cirrhosis

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- Kidney Function Tests; KFT (including urea, creatinine and serum electrolytes) - KFT is required for diagnosis of uremic stomatitis, renal osteodystrophy and systemic lupus erythematosus. It is also investigation of choice in trauma patients and other surgery patients. Urea and creatinine are also required before giving radio-opaque dyes for any imaging modality; that modality can be used for oral & maxillofacial region or for any other body part.

6. Molecular Pathology (including DNA extraction, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) and western blotting) - PCR amplifies specific nucleic acid sequences by use of repeated cycles of DNA synthesis. Application of PCR has been extended to a wide variety of medical disciplines; fields of application include molecular genetics, pathology, microbiology, forensic medicine, and infectious diseases. The application of PCR in the context of oral & maxillofacial pathology is utilization of this technique to aid in the elucidation of the etiology of various oral & maxillofacial diseases. Studies have shown that PCR makes a useful contribution to the diagnosis of malignant lymphomas of the oral cavities. PCR is also an accurate method for diagnosis of many bacterial and viral diseases. e.g. Mycobacterium tuberculosis, hepatitis B virus

To conclude, I want to highlight the following points:

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- No single healthcare professional can claim an exclusive role in diagnosis and treatment. The criteria related to who is qualified to perform functions safely without risk of harm to the public are the only justifiable conditions for defining the scope of practices as per the suggested parameters.
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- Oral Pathologists are qualified healthcare and laboratory professionals who are authorized to sign laboratory reports and they can play a major and important role in medical diagnostic laboratory.

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Thanking You

Yours sincerely,

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Submission of Documents for POPMA Gold Medal Application

2 messages

Ayushi Jain <ayushijain78656@gmail.com>
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Dear POPMA Secretariat,

I hope this email finds you well.

I am writing to submit my application for the **POPMA Gold Medal for Excellence in Oral Pathology**. Kindly find attached the required documents for your reference:

1. Attested copy of my marksheet and provisional degree certificate. (As I have just now received my marksheet the provisional degree certificate is yet to have come)
2. Letter from the Dean/Principal stating my rank on the college letterhead.
3. My updated profile/resume.
4. A copy of my POPMA membership card and certificate.

Please let me know if any additional information or documents are required to complete my application.

Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,
Dr Ayushi Jain

King George's Medical University, Lucknow

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Sat, Dec 21, 2024 at 1:52 PM

Ref. No. POPMA/INT/LTR/2024/05
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Your application and supporting documents are under review. If any additional information or clarification is required, we will contact you promptly.

We appreciate your interest and effort in applying for this prestigious recognition and wish you all the best in the selection process.

Thank you once again for your submission.

Best regards,

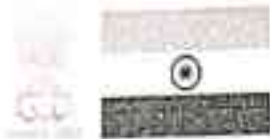
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Detailed Letter attached

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Fri, Aug 2, 2024 at 2:26 PM

Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/05

Date: 01-08-2024

To

Shri Narendra Modi ji

Honourable Prime Minister of India

Prime Minister Office (PMO), South Block, New Delhi - 110011

Subject: Request for Recognition of M.D.S. (Oral Pathology and Microbiology) postgraduate degree holders as Authorized Signatories under Clinical Establishment Rules and inclusion of M.D.S. in eligibility criteria for various government and private recruitments for Pathology Laboratories, Cancer Centers, as well as Medical & Dental Research.

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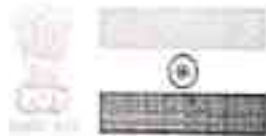


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Welcome : Dr Bhuvan Nagpal

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Grievance Concerns To

Name Of Complainant

Dr Bhuvan Nagpal

Date of Receipt

02/08/2024

Received By Ministry/Department

Prime Minister's Office

Grievance Description

Health & Family Welfare >> Policy Matters >> Directorate General of Health Services

To

Shri Narendra Modi

Honourable Prime Minister of India, Prime Minister Office (PMO), South Block, New Delhi - 110011

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Remarks

The suggestions for regarding the recognition of MDS (Oral Pathology and Microbiology) postgraduate degree holders as Authorized Signatories under Clinical Establishment Rules and inclusion of MDS in eligibility criteria for various government and private recruitments for Pathology Laboratories, Cancer Centers, as well as Medical & Dental Research as advised in your grievance under reference are not covered under public grievance and thus, the applicant is required to approach this Council by way of normal/formal communication not by way of grievance redressal mechanism. The Council is already taking appropriate steps for better dental health care.

Officer Concerns To

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Date of Receipt 02/08/2024

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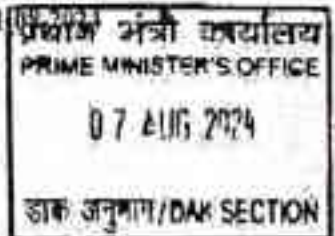
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Date: 14-08-2024

To
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Honourable Prime Minister of India, Govt. of India
Prime Minister Office (PMO), South Block, New Delhi - 110011

Subject: POPMA Condemns the Tragic Incident in Kolkata

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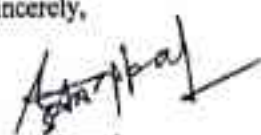
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Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/08

Date: 14-08-2024

To
Shri J. P. Nadda ji
Honorable Minister of Health & Family Welfare
Govt. of India, New Delhi

Subject: POPMA Condemns the Tragic Incident in Kolkata

Honorable Sir,

The Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association (POPMA) is profoundly distressed by the recent tragic incident involving the rape and murder of a 31-year-old doctor on duty at RG Kar Medical College & Hospital in Kolkata. This act of violence is deeply unsettling and represents a grave violation of the safety and dignity of healthcare professionals.

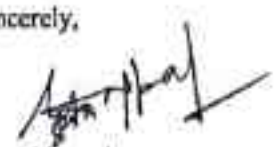
As an organization dedicated to the well-being and security of those in our field, POPMA unequivocally condemns this abhorrent crime. We find it unacceptable that individuals who devote their lives to the service of others should face such brutality. This incident is not only a serious injustice against the victim but also a stark reflection of the broader failure to ensure the safety of those who work tirelessly to care for others.

We urge the government and law enforcement agencies to take immediate and effective measures to apprehend the perpetrators and ensure that justice is served promptly. It is essential that we address this crisis with the urgency it demands and implement robust measures to safeguard all healthcare professionals across the nation.

POPMA stands united with the protesting doctors and supports their calls for greater protection. If those dedicated to saving lives cannot feel secure in their workplaces, it raises troubling questions about the safety of all women healthcare workers in our society. We call upon all stakeholders to collaborate in fostering a safer environment for healthcare practitioners, so they can perform their duties without fear.

Let us honor the memory of the victim by striving for a society where safety, respect, and justice are upheld as fundamental values.

Yours sincerely,


Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal



President
Practicing Oral Pathologists and
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JERONIMO PABLO LAZOS <jerolazos@unc.edu.ar>
To: "popma01797@gmail.com" <popma01797@gmail.com>

Thu, Sep 19, 2024 at 5:29 PM

Dear Prof. Bhuvan Nagpal,

I am hoping this late September finds you well. I belong to the organizing committee for the **XIX Iberoamerican Academy of Oral Pathology and Medicine (IbAOPM) Scientific Meeting**. It will be held on the 25th, 26th and 27th of September 2025 at the National University of Cordoba, Argentina.

I have attached the formal letter of request for endorsement. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely,


Jerónimo Lazos

DDS, Cert. Perio, PhD

*Assistant Professor
Oral Medicine Department*

Dentistry College

Universidad Nacional de Córdoba

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Dear Prof. Bhuvan Nagpal

Practicing Oral Pathologist and Microbiologist Association President (POPMA)

We are pleased to address you to request the scientific and academic adhesion of the Institution or Society that you represent, and/or to declare of interest in your community for the **XIX Iberoamerican Academy of Oral Pathology and Medicine (IbAOPM) Scientific Meeting**. It will be held on the 25th, 26th and 27th of September 2025 at the National University of Córdoba, Argentina.

If you decide to support this endeavour, we would like you to promote the activities with your members and—if possible—use your organization's logo or artwork to campaign for the event.

In addition, we are pleased to inform you that as a Pre-Congress Event, we will be developing a Virtual Symposium on *Potentially Malignant Oral Disorders* with international referents, on December 6, 2024.

The XIX Meeting of the **IbAOPM** will have the following specific objectives:

- To foster academic and scientific exchange.
- To strengthen international collaboration.
- Professional update and dissemination of scientific knowledge of the speciality in Iberoamerica.

The XIX Meeting of the **IbAOPM** is aimed at health professionals, dentists and related medical specialists, postgraduate (masters, doctorates and similar) and also to undergraduate university students alike.

Contact: Dr. Jerónimo Lazos, member of the XIX Iberoamerican Academy of Oral Pathology and Medicine (jerolazos@unc.edu.ar)

Thank you in advance for considering giving this event your support, and please receive assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Prof. Dra. Pilar Gándara
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Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/09

To

Date: 20th Sept. 2024

Dr. Pilar Gándara Vila
President, Iberoamerican Academy of Oral Pathology and Medicine
Cordoba, Argentina

Dear Prof. Gándara,

I hope this letter finds you well. It is with great honour that the Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association (Regd.), extends full support and approval for the upcoming XIX Iberoamerican Academy of Oral Pathology and Medicine (IbAOPM) Scientific Meeting, to be held at the National University of Cordoba in September 2025.

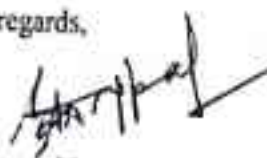
We deeply appreciate your kind invitation and are excited about the opportunity to collaborate with such a prestigious event. The proposed objectives of fostering academic and scientific exchange, enhancing international collaboration, and disseminating advanced knowledge in oral pathology align perfectly with the mission of our association.

In addition, we are pleased to offer our support in promoting the event among our members, and will be honoured to use our organisation's logo in the promotional campaign, as suggested. We also look forward to the Pre-Congress Virtual Symposium on Potentially Malignant Oral Disorders in December 2024, which promises to be a valuable opportunity for professional growth and learning.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to us for any further assistance or coordination. We are enthusiastic about this collaboration and look forward to contributing to the success of both the symposium and the Scientific Meeting.

Thank you once again for this esteemed opportunity, and please accept our highest considerations.

Warm regards,


Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal



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POPMA <popma01797@gmail.com>
To: JERONIMO PABLO LAZOS <jerolazos@unc.edu.ar>

Fri, Sep 20, 2024 at 12:58 PM

Dear Jeronimo Lazos,

We are pleased to inform you that we approve the proposal for the XIX Iberoamerican Academy of Oral Pathology and Medicine (IAOPM) Scientific Meeting. We fully support the event and look forward to promoting it within our community. We will be happy to use our logo in the promotional campaign and encourage participation among our members.

Thank you for reaching out to us, and we appreciate the opportunity to be involved in this esteemed event.

Thanks & Regards

Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal (President)

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Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/10

To

Date: 13th Nov. 2024

The Head
Indian National Centre for ISSN,
New Delhi

Subject: Request for Status Update on ISSN Application – The Oral Pathologist Magazine

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal, Editor-in-Chief of The Oral Pathologist Magazine. We applied for an ISSN number for our magazine on 4th September 2024. Our application number is 67368.

We have meticulously followed the guidelines provided and submitted all required documents and information. We are keen to receive a positive response and look forward to your confirmation on the status of our ISSN application.

The Oral Pathologist Magazine is committed to delivering high-quality, peer-reviewed content in the field of oral pathology, and obtaining an ISSN is a vital step in ensuring our publication's accessibility and credibility.

We would be grateful if you could prioritize our request and provide an update regarding the processing of our application.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We appreciate your assistance and look forward to a favorable response.

Thanking You,

Sincerely,

Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal



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Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/11

To

Date: 19th November 2024

Dr. Kabita Chatterjee
MDS (Oral Pathology & Microbiology)
3, Raja Mahindra Road, Kolkata

Subject: A Tribute to Your Visionary Leadership in Oral Pathology

Respected Madam,

I hope this letter finds you in the best of health and spirits.

It is with profound admiration and respect that I write to you on behalf of our association. Your contributions to the field of oral pathology have not only redefined its scope but have also inspired generations to envision and achieve new heights in this discipline.

Your pioneering efforts have demonstrated that oral pathology extends far beyond academia, showcasing how it can thrive as a clinical specialty in state-of-the-art private practices. This vision of yours, coupled with an illustrious career and unparalleled dedication as a guide and mentor, has paved the way for the growth of the oral pathology fraternity.

During our recent investiture ceremony, Dr. Abhishek Banerjee's heartfelt words about you resonated deeply with us. You were described as a true epitome of humanity and guidance—attributes that we all aspire to emulate. Your ability to combine scientific excellence with a human touch is truly inspiring and serves as a beacon for us all.

Our association seeks your blessings and guidance as we strive to follow in your footsteps. We are confident that under your visionary influence, we can witness oral pathologists from India making a mark on the global stage.

Thank you, ma'am, for being a harbinger of growth and for continuously inspiring us to dream big and work tirelessly toward achieving excellence in oral pathology.

With deep respect and gratitude,


Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal



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Proposal for Collaboration and Request for Quotation for POPMA members

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To: director@areslabs.ae

Wed, Nov 27, 2024 at 1:49 PM

Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/12

Date : 27th November 2024

To
Mr. Nadeem A. Siddiqui
Director
Ares Labs Dubai
India Sales Office: Zirakpur, Punjab

Dear sir,

I hope this message finds you well. It was a pleasure visiting your stall at HAPPCON 2024 and having the opportunity to see your products and services demonstrated so effectively. I greatly appreciate your visit afterwards to my lab at Tohana, which further emphasized the professionalism and innovation your team brings to the field of hematology, biochemistry, immunoassay and HPLC.

As discussed during our interaction, I am keen to explore a collaboration between your esteemed company and our association, POPMA (Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association). I have proposed establishing an MoU to formalize this partnership, which could include offering special discounts or a discount agreement for our POPMA members.

To take the next step in this potential partnership, I kindly request a formal quotation outlining the proposed terms and benefits for POPMA members. This will enable us to evaluate the proposal thoroughly and move forward toward a mutually beneficial collaboration.

I am confident that this partnership has the potential to provide significant value to both parties, and I look forward to working together in the near future. Please feel free to reach out to me directly if you require further information or wish to discuss any aspect of this proposal.

Thank you for your time and attention. I look forward to your response.

Warm regards,

Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal (President)
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Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/13

Date : 27th November 2024

To
Mr. Harsimran P Singh Chawla
Manager Sales
Medimass
Office: Ambala, Haryana

Dear Sir,

I hope this message finds you well. It was a pleasure visiting your stall at HAPPCON 2024 and having the opportunity to see your products and services demonstrated so effectively. I greatly appreciate the call I received afterward, which further emphasized the professionalism and innovation your team brings to the field of histopathology.

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Proposal for Collaboration and Request for Quotation

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To: contact@medimeas.com

Wed, Nov 27, 2024 at 2:00 PM

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Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/14

Date: 28th November 2024

To
The President,
Dental Council of India (DCI)
New Delhi

Subject: Request to recommend inclusion of M.D.S. (Oral Pathology and Microbiology) in Clinical Establishment (Central Government) Rules, 2020, and Recruitment Eligibility Criteria in government and private pathology/medical laboratories and cancer centres

Honorable Sir,

On behalf of the Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association, I am writing to bring your esteemed attention to an urgent and critical matter regarding the recognition and inclusion of M.D.S. (Oral Pathology and Microbiology) in the Clinical Establishment (Central Government) Rules, 2020, and in the eligibility criteria for recruitment in government and private pathology laboratories, cancer centers, and research institutions.

As the President of the Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association, I represent the collective voice of professionals advocating for the rightful acknowledgment of the qualifications and expertise of Oral Pathologists. We earnestly request the Dental Council of India (DCI) to recommend the following to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) and the National Council for Clinical Establishments (NCCCE):

1. Recognition of M.D.S. (Oral Pathology and Microbiology) professionals as authorized signatories for diagnostic reports under the Clinical Establishment Rules, 2020.
2. Inclusion of M.D.S. (Oral Pathology and Microbiology) in recruitment eligibility criteria for pathology laboratories, cancer centers, and research institutions.

Justifications and Legal Precedents

1. **Precedent of MDS Qualification Approval:** As per discussions held in meetings under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in 2017 & 2018 regarding authorized signatory for laboratory reports, the MDS qualification in Oral Pathology has already been approved as an authorized signatory for laboratory reports. This reinforces the advanced competencies of Oral Pathologists in diagnostics and aligns with our request for recognition under the Clinical Establishment Rules.
2. **Recognition of Dentistry as Modern Scientific Medicine:** The National Medical Commission (NMC) and Medical Council of India (MCI) have long recognized dentistry as a branch of modern scientific medicine. This status was further affirmed by the Madurai Bench of the Honorable Madras High Court in its judgment dated 23rd March 2023, highlighting the critical role of dental professionals in healthcare.
3. **Extensive Training and Competency:** Under the Dental Council of India's M.D.S. Course Regulations (2007 and 2017), Oral Pathologists are rigorously trained in diagnostic disciplines such as histopathology, cytology, hematology,

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microbiology, immunology, and biochemistry, among others. Their qualifications and competencies are equivalent to those of related medical specialties.

4. **DCI BDS and Internship Regulations:** The Dental Council of India's BDS Regulations (2007) and Internship Regulations (2011) mandate that dental graduates be well-equipped to perform laboratory investigations, including the study of anemias, leukemias, biopsy reporting, and cytology smears. These competencies, ingrained during undergraduate and postgraduate training, further affirm the capability of Oral Pathologists to contribute meaningfully to diagnostic services.

5. **Disparity in Current Rules:** Non-medical professionals with qualifications like M.Sc. and Ph.D. in Biochemistry or Microbiology, without registration with any medical or dental council, are recognized as authorized signatories. Meanwhile, MBBS graduates without specialization can assume such roles after just one year of laboratory experience. This disparity undermines the advanced training and expertise of Oral Pathologists.

6. **Critical Need for Inclusion:** Oral Pathology bridges dentistry and pathology, providing essential diagnostic expertise for systemic diseases and oral cancers. The prevalence of oral cancer, one of India's top three cancers, underscores the importance of Oral Pathologists in early detection and diagnosis.

Recognizing M.D.S. (Oral Pathology and Microbiology) professionals as authorized signatories and including them in recruitment eligibility criteria will:

- **Enhance Healthcare Delivery:** Enable Oral Pathologists to play a pivotal role in early diagnosis and disease management, especially for oral cancer.
- **Strengthen Public Health Efforts:** Foster interdisciplinary collaboration and improve patient outcomes.
- **Acknowledge Expertise:** Align regulations with the advanced training and competencies of Oral Pathologists.

In light of the above, we humbly and firmly request the Dental Council of India to recommend to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and the National Council for Clinical Establishments (NCCIE):

1. The recognition of M.D.S. (Oral Pathology and Microbiology) professionals as authorized signatories for diagnostic reports under the Clinical Establishment Rules, 2020.
2. The inclusion of this qualification in recruitment eligibility criteria across government and private healthcare and research institutions.

We are confident in the Dental Council of India's commitment to the advancement of the dental profession and equitable recognition of all dental specialties. Your support in this matter will empower Oral Pathologists to contribute meaningfully to India's healthcare ecosystem.

Thank you for your attention and consideration. We look forward to your favorable response.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal

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Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/15
Date: 28th November 2024

To
Dr. Ashok Dhoble
The Honorary Secretary General,
Indian Dental Association (IDA)
HO: Mumbai

Subject: Request for Support in Promoting Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology and Diagnostics

Respected Sir,

The Indian Dental Association (IDA) has made commendable strides in raising public awareness about oral health and advancing the dental profession as a whole. However, it is observed that recognition of dental specialties beyond general dentistry remains limited. Among these, oral pathology—a vital diagnostic specialty—has been gradually losing its prominence despite its critical role in comprehensive diagnosis and patient care.

To address this challenge and elevate the quality and recognition of oral pathology, Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association (POPMA) has been established. Our mission is to enhance the standard of oral pathology in India and to support postgraduate specialists in this field. However, to achieve our goals effectively, we require the esteemed support of the IDA in promoting the significance of oral diagnostics in everyday dental practice.

On reviewing the IDA website, we noted that the certificate/fellowship/comprehensive clinical programs currently lack training modules dedicated to oral pathology. This omission further underscores the need for greater inclusion of oral diagnostics as a core component of professional development initiatives.

We earnestly request the IDA to support our efforts in uplifting oral pathology by creating new opportunities for its application in clinical practice, research, and beyond academic settings. Together, we can strengthen the foundation of oral healthcare by emphasizing the pivotal role of accurate diagnosis in dental practice.

Thank you for your consideration, and we look forward to your support in advancing oral pathology in our nation.

Yours sincerely,

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Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/16
Date: 28th November 2024

To
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HO: Mumbai

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Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/17
Date: 28th November 2024

To
The Honorary General Secretary
Association of Maxillofacial Surgeons of India (AOMSI)

Subject: Request for Support in Promoting Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology

Respected Sir,

With deep respect and admiration, we extend our heartfelt congratulations to all the surgeons of this esteemed association for transforming the recognition and outlook of oral and maxillofacial surgery. Your dedication, passion, and unparalleled competence have established this specialty as a vital component of the medical fraternity, showcasing expertise in trauma care, oncology, aesthetics, and craniofacial anomalies.

Once struggling to secure a place in hospitals, oral and maxillofacial surgeons are now an indispensable part of medical teams in both small and large healthcare facilities. This incredible progress stands as a testament to your collective efforts.

Inspired by this success, we urge your support in championing a similar recognition for oral and maxillofacial pathologists. These specialists are uniquely equipped to diagnose oral conditions at the primary level and can provide unparalleled insights into oral diseases. While general pathologists excel in their domain, oral pathologists possess a deeper and more specialized exposure to oral & maxillofacial cases, which makes them invaluable in the diagnostic process.

We believe that fostering trust in oral pathologists, alongside leveraging their expertise in clinical settings, can significantly uplift this specialty. While it is true that some oral pathologists choose to practice as general dentists, there is a passionate group of specialists dedicated to advancing oral & maxillofacial diagnostics and improving patient care. Your encouragement and support can prevent these professionals from feeling demotivated and ensure that their specialized skills are utilized to their fullest potential.

As an association, we seek your wholehearted support to help the field of oral pathology grow and thrive. A small shift in trust and recognition can lead to monumental progress for this specialty. Together, we can enhance the standards of oral healthcare and diagnostics across the nation.

Thank you for your consideration, and we look forward to your support in promoting oral pathology in our nation.

Yours sincerely,


Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal



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Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/18
Date: 28th November 2024

To
Directorate General of Health Services
National Council for Clinical Establishments
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
Government of India, Nirman Bhawan
New Delhi - 110011

Subject: Request to incorporate M.D.S. (Oral Pathology and Microbiology) professionals as authorized signatories in legal notifications under the Clinical Establishment Rules, 2020

Honorable Sir,

I am writing on behalf of the Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association to bring to your esteemed attention the urgent need for incorporating M.D.S. (Oral Pathology and Microbiology) professionals as authorized signatories in the legal framework of the Clinical Establishment (Central Government) Rules, 2020.

Context and Justifications:

- Precedent of MDS Qualification Approval:** As per discussions held in meetings under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in 2017 & 2018 regarding authorized signatory for laboratory reports, the MDS qualification in Oral Pathology has already been approved as an authorized signatory for laboratory reports. This reinforces the advanced competencies of Oral Pathologists in diagnostics and aligns with our request for recognition under the Clinical Establishment Rules.
- Recognition of Dentistry as Modern Scientific Medicine:** The National Medical Commission (NMC) and Medical Council of India (MCI) have long recognized dentistry as a branch of modern scientific medicine. This status was further affirmed by the Madurai Bench of the Honorable Madras High Court in its judgment dated 23rd March 2023, highlighting the critical role of dental professionals in healthcare.
- Extensive Regulatory Training and Expertise:** Under the Dental Council of India's M.D.S. Course Regulations (2007 and 2017), Oral Pathologists are rigorously trained in diagnostic disciplines such as histopathology, cytology, hematology, microbiology, immunology, and biochemistry, among others. Their qualifications and competencies are equivalent to those of related medical specialties.

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4. D.C.I. BDS and Internship Regulations: The Dental Council of India's BDS Regulations (2007) and Internship Regulations (2011) mandate that dental graduates be well-equipped to perform laboratory investigations, including the study of anemias, leukemias, biopsy reporting, and cytology smears. These competencies, ingrained during undergraduate and postgraduate training, further affirm the capability of Oral Pathologists to contribute meaningfully to diagnostic services.

5. Disparity in Current Rules: Non-medical professionals with qualifications like M.Sc. and Ph.D. in Biochemistry or Microbiology, without registration with any medical or dental council, are recognized as authorized signatories. Meanwhile, MBBS graduates without specialization can assume such roles after just one year of laboratory experience. This disparity undermines the advanced training and expertise of Oral Pathologists.

6. Public Health Impact and Critical Need for Inclusion: Oral Pathology bridges dentistry and pathology, providing essential diagnostic expertise for systemic diseases and oral cancers. The prevalence of oral cancer, one of India's top three cancers, requires early detection and diagnostic expertise. Incorporating Oral Pathologists into legal notifications will strengthen early diagnosis and interdisciplinary collaboration.

We respectfully urge the National Council for Clinical Establishments to recommend and incorporate M.D.S. (Oral Pathology and Microbiology) as an authorized qualification in the Clinical Establishment Rules and relevant legal notifications. This step will ensure fair representation and optimize healthcare delivery through advanced diagnostics.

We remain confident in your commitment to upholding professional standards and addressing disparities in healthcare regulations. Your action on this matter will have a profound impact on improving diagnostic services and public health outcomes in India.

Thank you for your attention to this critical matter.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal



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Proposal for Collaboration and Advertisement in the Official Publication of POPMA

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POPMA <popma01797@gmail.com>
To: mayank.gupta@mindray.com

Fri, Dec 6, 2024 at 3:38 PM

Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/20
Date: 6th December 2024To:
Mr. Mayank Gupta
Dy-Marketing Manager
Mindray Medical India Pvt. Ltd.
Corporate Office: Gurugram**Subject: Proposal for Collaboration and Advertisement in the Official Publication of POPMA**

Dear Mr. Mayank Gupta,

I trust this message finds you well. It was a pleasure meeting you at HAPPCON 2024 and gaining deeper insights into the innovative solutions offered by Mindray Medical India Pvt. Ltd., especially in hematology, biochemistry, and immunoassay technologies.

On behalf of POPMA (Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association), I wish to explore opportunities for collaboration with your esteemed organization. I am proud to share that at our facility, we have been successfully using the Mindray BS240 Fully Automatic Biochemistry Analyzer and two Mindray BC-20S three-part hematology analyzers since 2016. These instruments have consistently delivered excellent performance and reliability, making them an integral part of our diagnostic practice.

As the Founder President of POPMA and an international speaker at hematology conferences, I have always endorsed Mindray's products for their cutting-edge technology and precision. It is my belief that your solutions resonate strongly with the needs of oral pathologists and microbiologists, making Mindray an ideal partner for collaboration with POPMA.

To further strengthen this association, I propose the following:

1. Establishing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to formalize a partnership that includes offering special discounts or discount agreements for POPMA members. Such a collaboration would enhance Mindray's visibility and engagement within the oral pathology and microbiology communities while providing added value to our members.
2. Featuring Mindray in the upcoming issue of our official publication, *The Oral Pathologist™*, which serves as a valuable resource for oral pathologists, microbiologists, and related professionals. Advertising in this journal will provide your brand with an excellent platform to showcase its offerings and establish a stronger presence in this niche market.

To proceed with these opportunities, I kindly request the following:

A formal quotation outlining the terms and benefits you can extend to POPMA members under the proposed MoU.

The advertisement details, including format, size, and any specific messages you wish to convey in *The Oral Pathologist™*.

We believe that these initiatives will foster a strong, long-term partnership, providing mutual benefits while advancing the fields of oral pathology and microbiology. Please feel free to reach out to me directly for further discussions or additional information.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Warm regards,

Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal (President)

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To: b.puri@transasia.co.in, r.bhatia@transasia.co.in, a.sharma@transasia.co.in

Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/19

Date: 6th December 2024

To,
Mr. Bhuvan Puri
Vice President
Transasia Biomedicals Ltd.
New Delhi

Subject: Proposal for Collaboration and Advertisement in the Official Publication of POPMA

Dear Mr. Puri,

I hope this message finds you well. It was a pleasure meeting you at HAPPCON 2024 and learning about the innovative products and services offered by Transasia Biomedicals Ltd., particularly in the domains of hematology, biochemistry, immunoassay, and HPLC.

On behalf of POPMA (Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association), I wish to explore opportunities for collaboration with your esteemed organization. Specifically, I propose establishing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) that could include offering special discounts or discount agreements for our POPMA members. Such a collaboration would mutually benefit our members and enhance Transasia Biomedicals' visibility and engagement within the oral pathology and microbiology communities.

Additionally, I would like to invite your organization to advertise in the upcoming issue of our official publication, The Oral Pathologist TM. This publication reaches a focused audience of oral pathologists, microbiologists, and related professionals, providing an excellent platform to showcase your offerings and strengthen your brand presence in the field.

To proceed with both these opportunities, I kindly request the following:

1. A formal quotation outlining the terms and benefits you can extend to POPMA members under the proposed MoU.
2. The details of the advertisement, including format, size, and any specific messages you wish to convey in The Oral Pathologist.

We believe that these initiatives will provide significant value to both parties and foster a strong, long-term partnership. Please feel free to reach out to me directly if you require further information or wish to discuss any aspect of these proposals.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to your positive response.

Warm regards,

Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal (Founder-President)
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Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/21
Date: 18th December 2024

To,
Dr. Ashok Dhoble (Hon. Secretary General, Indian Dental Association)
Dr. O. P. Kharbanda (Chief Patron, GCOIHR)
Dr. Rajiv Chugh (Conference Chairperson, GCOIHR)
Dr. Parvesh Mehra (HOD, OMFS – LHMC, New Delhi)

Subject: Acceptance of Invitation for the Global Conclave on Oral Health Innovation & Research

Dear Esteemed Organizing Team,

On behalf of the Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association (POPMA), I extend my heartfelt gratitude for the kind invitation to participate in the Global Conclave on Oral Health Innovation & Research, scheduled on the 15th and 16th of February 2025 at the Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, New Delhi.

We deeply appreciate this opportunity to contribute to such a significant event dedicated to advancing innovations, entrepreneurship, and research in oral healthcare. Events like these not only set benchmarks for academic and clinical excellence but also foster collaboration and dialogue across disciplines, paving the way for a brighter future in the field of dentistry.

It is with great pleasure that I confirm Dr. Abhishek Bhadranna, General Secretary of POPMA, will attend the conclave on behalf of our association. Dr. Bhadranna will deliver a presentation highlighting innovations in our specialty, share insights into the role of oral pathologists in contemporary dentistry, and introduce the audience to POPMA's initiatives and contributions.

We are confident that this event will be a resounding success, creating a platform for meaningful exchanges and impactful collaborations. Thank you once again for considering POPMA as part of this prestigious gathering.

Wishing the organizing team the very best for the smooth execution of the conclave.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal



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Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/22
Date: 19th December 2024

To,
The President,
Dental Council of India
National Dental Commission Building,
Plot No.14, Sector-9,
R.K. Puram, New Delhi - 110022

Subject: Serious Concern over Violation of DCI Regulations and Neglect of Oral Pathology in Government Dental College, Patiala and Amritsar

Respected Sir,

On behalf of the Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association (POPMA) and as a concerned stakeholder in the field of dental education, I am writing to bring to your immediate attention a matter of grave concern. Recent responses to RTI applications filed by our association with Government Dental College and Hospital, Patiala and Punjab Government Dental College and Hospital, Amritsar have revealed that both institutions currently lack designated Oral Pathologists in their respective Departments of Oral Pathology and Microbiology.

This alarming situation constitutes a gross violation of the Dental Council of India (DCI) guidelines, which mandate the presence of a qualified Oral Pathologist to head such departments in dental colleges. The absence of these specialists not only devalues the core discipline of Oral Pathology but also jeopardizes the quality of education imparted to students and the diagnostic capabilities of these institutions.

Key Concerns:

- 1. Blatant Non-Compliance with DCI Regulations:** The lack of qualified Oral Pathologists in these institutions represents a direct contravention of DCI norms. This neglect erodes the foundational principles of dental education.
- 2. Compromised Education and Diagnostic Standards:** Oral Pathology is a cornerstone discipline in dental education, integrating clinical and diagnostic sciences. The absence of dedicated specialists deprives students of proper training in understanding oral diseases, biopsies, cytology, and advanced molecular studies, leaving a critical gap in their education.

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3. Disregard for the Discipline of Oral Pathology: The failure to appoint qualified Oral Pathologists demonstrates a concerning apathy toward this essential specialty. It not only undermines the contributions of Oral Pathology to dental education and diagnostics but also threatens its future as a distinct and respected discipline.

In light of these pressing issues, POPMA strongly urges the Dental Council of India to:

1. Conduct an urgent audit of all dental colleges across India to assess staffing and compliance in Oral Pathology departments.
2. Issue mandatory directives to institutions violating DCI guidelines to immediately appoint qualified Oral Pathologists.
3. Enforce strict penalties on institutions found in non-compliance to deter such violations in the future.
4. Strengthen monitoring frameworks to ensure consistent adherence to DCI standards.

We firmly believe that urgent action is necessary to restore the integrity of dental education and safeguard the role of Oral Pathology within academic and clinical contexts. POPMA remains fully committed to supporting your initiatives in this regard.

We kindly request a formal acknowledgment of this letter and a detailed update on the steps being taken to resolve this critical issue.

Thank you for your attention to this matter of utmost importance.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal



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Date: 19th December 2024

To,
The Secretary,
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare,
Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi - 110011

Subject: Urgent Intervention Requested: Violation of DCI Guidelines and Neglect of Oral Pathology in Government Dental Colleges at Patiala and Amritsar

Respected Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association (POPMA) and as a concerned stakeholder in the field of dental education, I am writing to bring to your attention a matter of critical national importance. Recent responses to RTI applications filed by our association with Government Dental College and Hospital, Patiala and Punjab Government Dental College and Hospital, Amritsar have revealed that both institutions lack designated Oral Pathologists in their respective Departments of Oral Pathology and Microbiology.

This situation represents a blatant violation of the Dental Council of India (DCI) guidelines, which mandate the appointment of qualified Oral Pathologists in dental institutions. The absence of these specialists severely compromises the quality of education imparted to students and diminishes the diagnostic capacity of these departments, directly impacting public health standards.

Key Concerns:

- 1. Grave Non-Compliance with DCI Regulations:** The absence of Oral Pathologists in these government dental colleges constitutes a breach of regulatory norms established by the DCI. Such disregard undermines the credibility of these institutions and reflects poorly on the overall management of dental education and services.
- 2. Degradation of Educational and Diagnostic Standards:** Oral Pathology is a foundational specialty in dental education, integrating clinical and diagnostic sciences. Without qualified specialists, students are deprived of essential training in the diagnosis of oral diseases, biopsies, cytology, and advanced molecular studies. This negatively affects both the competency of graduating dentists and the quality of oral healthcare services provided to the public.
- 3. Disregard for the Specialty of Oral Pathology:** The failure to recognize the importance of Oral Pathology diminishes its contribution to the broader healthcare system. This apathy jeopardizes the

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discipline's future and sends a message of neglect toward an essential aspect of dental and oral health services.

Given the gravity of the matter, POPMA urges the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to:

1. Take immediate cognizance of this issue and initiate an urgent review of staffing and compliance in Oral Pathology departments across all dental colleges in India.
2. Direct the concerned state governments and institutions to adhere strictly to DCI guidelines and appoint qualified Oral Pathologists without further delay.
3. Ensure accountability mechanisms are in place for institutions found in non-compliance, including imposing penalties or revoking accreditation, if necessary.
4. Work in collaboration with the Dental Council of India to strengthen monitoring frameworks and ensure strict adherence to regulatory standards for dental education.

The absence of qualified Oral Pathologists in government institutions is a matter of national concern, as it not only impacts the education of future dentists but also has broader implications for public healthcare standards. Prompt and decisive action is required to address this serious lapse and to uphold the integrity of dental education in India.

We kindly request a formal acknowledgment of this letter and a detailed report on the steps being initiated to resolve this matter.

Thank you for your attention and anticipated cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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Date: 19th December 2024

To,
The National President
Indian Dental Association, HQ: Mumbai

Secretary General
Indian Dental Association, HQ: Mumbai

Subject: Advocacy for the Role of Oral Pathologists and Request for Support and Endorsement

Respected Sir,

We hope this communication finds you in good health and high spirits. The Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association (POPMA), the representative voice of oral pathologists across India, is reaching out to your esteemed organisation to advocate for the greater inclusion and recognition of oral pathologists in the broader dental and healthcare ecosystem.

Oral pathology is a unique and indispensable specialty that bridges dentistry and medicine. Oral pathologists are experts in diagnosing and interpreting diseases affecting the oral and maxillofacial regions. Their contributions extend beyond routine dental practice, providing critical insights into systemic conditions with oral manifestations and playing a pivotal role in early diagnosis and management of oral cancer and other pathologies.

Roles and Expertise of Oral Pathologists

- 1. Oral Cancer Diagnostics:** Oral pathologists are integral to identifying and diagnosing precancerous lesions and oral cancers through biopsies and cytology, aiding in early detection and improving treatment outcomes.
- 2. Histopathological Analysis:** They interpret complex biopsy samples, offering conclusive diagnoses essential for treatment planning in dental and medical cases.
- 3. Systemic Insights through Oral Manifestations:** By correlating systemic diseases with oral symptoms, oral pathologists aid in holistic patient care and interdisciplinary collaboration.
- 4. Laboratory Expertise:** Oral pathologists also excel in microbiology, hematology, clinical biochemistry and immunohistochemistry, contributing significantly to diagnostic laboratories and cancer centers.

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5. Forensic Contributions: Oral pathologists contribute to forensic investigations, including bite mark analysis, age estimation, and identification in medico-legal cases.

POPMA: The Unified Voice for Oral Pathologists

POPMA has been actively advocating for the inclusion of oral pathologists in multidisciplinary teams, cancer center recruitments, and diagnostic laboratories, alongside creating opportunities for research and education. We represent the collective voice of oral pathologists and strive to strengthen the specialty's role in advancing patient care.

Call for Support and Endorsement

We humbly request your esteemed organization to extend support and endorse the initiatives and objectives of POPMA within your region. Your backing will help:

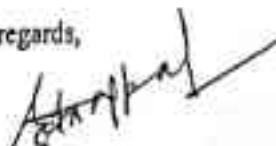
- Raise awareness about the role and expertise of oral pathologists among dental and medical professionals.
- Advocate for the inclusion of oral pathologists in cancer centers, research institutions, and diagnostic labs.
- Promote oral pathology as a vital specialty in dental education and practice.

Together, we can elevate the recognition and contributions of oral pathologists, ensuring they are given the platform and opportunities to enhance healthcare outcomes.

We would be delighted to provide further information or organize a session to highlight the importance of oral pathology. Please feel free to reach out to us directly for any queries or collaborations.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to your support in this endeavor.

Warm regards,


Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal



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Ref. No. POPMA/EXT/LTR/2024/25
Date: 19th December 2024

To:
The National President
Indian Dental Association, HO: Mumbai

Secretary General
Indian Dental Association, HO: Mumbai

Subject: Request for Recognition of POPMA as the National-Level Specialty Organization for Oral Pathologists and Advocacy for Correct Representation of Oral Pathology

Respected Sir,

On behalf of the Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association (POPMA), I extend my sincere regards to your esteemed association for its continued efforts in advancing dentistry and dental specialties in India. POPMA represents the unified voice of practicing oral pathologists across the country and actively works to promote the applicability and significance of Oral Pathology in both clinical and diagnostic domains.

Through this letter, we respectfully submit the following key requests for your kind consideration:

1. **Inclusion of POPMA as a Recognized Specialty Dental Organization on the IDA Website:** POPMA has emerged as a national-level organization dedicated to advancing the interests of Oral Pathologists. Our association actively supports practicing oral pathologists in:

- Clinical diagnostics and research.
- Public health programs focused on oral cancer screening and diagnosis.
- Education and awareness about oral diseases and their systemic connections.

Given our active role and contributions, we humbly request the inclusion of POPMA as a recognized specialty dental organization under the IDA's directories on your website. This will provide oral pathologists a much-needed platform for visibility and will help strengthen their presence within the professional dental community.

2. **Correct Representation of Oral Pathology under "Careers in Dentistry":** We would like to address an important concern regarding the categorization of Oral Pathology as a "non-clinical branch" under the Careers in Dentistry section on the IDA website. This characterization is factually incorrect and diminishes the critical clinical role oral pathologists play in patient care.

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Clarification on Oral Pathology's Clinical Role:

- Oral Pathology forms the diagnostic backbone of dentistry and medicine, focusing on the interpretation of biopsies, cytological samples, and oral lesions, which directly influence clinical outcomes and treatment planning.
- Diagnosis is inherently clinical; every histopathological finding, cytological report, or biopsy interpretation provided by an oral pathologist directly determines the patient's clinical management. Without accurate diagnostic support, clinical decisions would remain incomplete or inaccurate.

Why Oral Pathology Must Be Recognized as Clinical:

1. **Impact on Patient Care:** Oral pathologists diagnose precancerous lesions, cancers, and systemic diseases, which directly influence treatment and survival outcomes.
2. **Clinical Integration:** Many oral pathologists work in direct collaboration with clinicians, surgeons, and oncologists, making oral pathology a crucial part of multidisciplinary healthcare.
3. **Diagnostic Sciences are Clinical:** Any diagnosis—be it a biopsy, histopathology, cytology, or molecular test—is an integral part of patient care, thus firmly classifying oral pathology as a clinical specialty.

We, therefore, request the Indian Dental Association to rectify this representation on the website and categorize Oral Pathology appropriately as a clinical branch under Careers in Dentistry.

POPMA remains committed to advancing the role of oral pathologists in India and ensuring their rightful place in healthcare systems, academic institutions, and multidisciplinary clinical teams. We strongly believe that IDA's support and recognition will pave the way for better visibility, opportunities, and contributions by oral pathologists to the healthcare landscape.

We request a formal acknowledgment of this letter and an opportunity to discuss these matters further with your esteemed office. POPMA is willing to provide any additional information or clarification required for the same.

Thank you for your time, understanding, and support in strengthening the role of Oral Pathology in Indian dentistry.

Warm regards,

Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal



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Date: 19th December 2024

To,
The Director
National Tobacco Control Cell (NTCC)
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Government of India
Nirman Bhawan, Maulana Azad Road
New Delhi - 110011

Subject: Proposal for Strategic Collaboration with NTCC for Policy Advocacy and Implementation of the National Tobacco Control Program (NTCP)

Respected Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association (POPMA), I extend our greetings and express our earnest intent to collaborate with the National Tobacco Control Cell (NTCC) to strengthen the implementation of the National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP) and contribute to policy development addressing tobacco-related oral cancer in India.

About POPMA: POPMA is a national level professional body of oral pathologists and microbiologists, established with the core objective of promoting the applicability and recognition of Oral Pathology and Microbiology in clinical practice, education, and public health initiatives. Our members include specialists with extensive expertise in diagnosing, managing, and researching oral cancer and precancerous lesions.

As an organization, we actively strive to:

- Enhance the understanding of oral diseases, particularly those linked to tobacco usage.
- Advocate for the inclusion of oral pathology expertise in health policies.
- Facilitate the integration of advanced diagnostic techniques and services into mainstream healthcare.

Our association's mission aligns closely with NTCC's goals of reducing tobacco-related health burdens, particularly oral cancer. Through collaborative efforts, we believe we can contribute significantly to the success of NTCP.

We propose a strategic partnership with NTCC, where POPMA can serve as a resourceful collaborator in addressing tobacco-related oral cancer challenges through the following initiatives:

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1. Policy Advocacy:

- Assisting NTCC in developing and advocating for policy frameworks that prioritize oral cancer prevention and the inclusion of oral pathology expertise in public health programs.
- Promoting stricter regulations on tobacco sales and usage, especially in rural and semi-urban areas, where awareness and resources are limited.

2. Awareness and Education

- Developing educational campaigns and resources to raise awareness about the links between tobacco consumption and oral cancer.
- Conducting workshops and training sessions for healthcare professionals, educators, and community leaders to enhance early detection and prevention efforts.

3. Screening and Early Detection

- Organizing community-level screening programs for oral cancer and precancerous conditions, particularly in high-risk populations.
- Establishing partnerships for mobile diagnostic units and training primary healthcare workers to recognize and refer oral lesions promptly.

4. Research and Data Collaboration

- Contributing to the collection and analysis of epidemiological data on tobacco-related oral diseases.
- Publishing evidence-based research to support data-driven policy recommendations for NTCCP.

5. Oral Cancer Case Management

- Collaborating with NTCC to develop standardized guidelines for the management of oral cancer and precancer cases, ensuring better patient outcomes.
- Assisting in creating referral systems and pathways for patients diagnosed during community screenings.

POPMA is committed to supporting NTCC's mission to reduce tobacco-related oral diseases through our clinical and academic expertise, diagnostic capabilities, and dedication to public health. By collaborating with NTCC, we aim to establish a strong framework for combating oral cancer, improving early detection, and integrating oral pathology into national healthcare policies. We would appreciate the opportunity to discuss this proposal further and explore how POPMA's resources can be aligned with the NTCCP framework. Please let us know a convenient time for a meeting to advance this collaboration.

Warm regards,

Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal



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Wed, Dec 18, 2024 at 12:24 PM

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To: piyushsharma43043@gmail.com

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Date: 18th December 2024

To:
Dr. Piyush Sharma
Director,
Ansh Digi Infoways, Sirsa - 125055

Subject: Appreciation for Your Generous Support

Dear Dr. Piyush Sharma,

On behalf of the Practicing Oral Pathologists and Microbiologists Association (POPMA), I would like to express our sincere appreciation to Ansh Digi Infoways for your generous contribution and unwavering support. Your complimentary services, including website maintenance, SEO optimization, social media marketing, and video editing, are invaluable to enhancing POPMA's digital outreach and operational efficiency.

We also extend our gratitude for the additional commitments in financial discounts and cybersecurity assistance, which reflect your dedication to our mission. These initiatives not only fortify our technical infrastructure but also empower us to focus on advancing oral pathology, fostering public health awareness, and achieving greater milestones in oral healthcare.

Your belief in our vision and commitment to collaboration serve as a catalyst for growth, innovation, and meaningful progress. We deeply value this partnership and assure you that your contributions will play a significant role in our ongoing success.

Once again, we extend our heartfelt thanks to you and your team for your generosity and professional excellence. We look forward to a long and fruitful collaboration that will drive impactful outcomes for oral health and beyond.

Warm regards,

Dr. Bhuvan Nagpal (President)
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Date: 19th December 2024

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For PRACTICING ORAL PATHOLOGISTS AND MICROBIOLOGISTS ASSOCIATION

(Authorized Signatory)

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