



Media Release:

Melbourne Scientist receives international award for research into gum disease

Professor Eric Reynolds has received a prestigious award for his research into gum disease.

Periodontal disease, known as gum disease, affects one in three adults during their lives. If left untreated, periodontal disease destroys the bone and tissue of the gum, and can result in loss of teeth.

Professor Reynolds leads research into this debilitating disease in his roles as the CEO of the Oral Health CRC and head of the Dental School at the University of Melbourne.

Professor Reynolds has been recognised for his significant contribution to the field of dental research by the International Association for Dental Research (IADR) at their San Diego Conference.

Professor Reynolds has been a leading figure in oral health science, with more than 30 years in dental research, management and commercialisation of innovations.

The developer of the remineralisation technology Recaldent™, Professor Reynolds' research into periodontal disease has focused on early detection and management of the disease.

Current research projects include the development of a chairside diagnostic for periodontal disease and potential treatment of chronic periodontitis through vaccination.

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