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Avijit is Professor of Cariology & Operative Dentistry / Hon. Consultant and Clinical Lead, Restorative Dentistry at the Faculty of Dentistry, Oral & Craniofacial Sciences, King's College London / Guy's & St. Thomas' Hospitals Foundation Trust, London, UK. He holds the positions of Chair / Head of Conservative & MI Dentistry and Programme Director of the innovative KCL blended-learning Masters in Advanced Minimum Intervention Restorative Dentistry (open to practising dentists and dental therapists globally: google "KCL AMID" for more info). He also leads the Cariology & Operative Dentistry research programme at the QS-ranked world's top 10 Faculty of Dentistry (as part of the Centre of Oral & Clinical Translational Science), researching, publishing and lecturing internationally about minimum intervention oral healthcare delivery and minimally invasive operative caries management, adhesive dental biomaterials and clinical trial delivery (>150 peer-reviewed publications, >£2.5 million research grant income, supervision of 5 post-doctorate, 20 doctorate and 25 masters students to date). He holds honorary / distinguished chairs in Hong Kong and Valencia (Spain).

In 2022, he was awarded the prestigious William H Bowen Caries Research Distinguished Scientist Award from the International Association of Dental Research (IADR) in recognition for his clinical research impact in this discipline over the last 25 yrs.

He has been appointed to the UK National Institute of Health Research (NIHR) Clinical Research Network, as Oral & Dental Health Speciality Lead for South London where he is responsible for the development of primary care clinical trials and their professional / participant recruitment programmes. He acts as an international R&D KOL for many international dental industry partners, including GC Europe / UK, 3M Oral Healthcare, Septodont France / UK, Dentsply Sirona, Pulpdent, Colgate and Oral B.

Avijit is primary author of Pickard's Guide to Minimally Invasive Operative Dentistry (9th & 10th editions; OUP, 2015), a definitive and globally respected text in its field, amongst other book editorships (Minimally Invasive Esthetics, Elsevier (2015), Odell's Problem Solving in Dentistry, 4th ed, Elsevier (2020)) and further chapter contributions (including, amongst others, caries management in The Principles of Endodontics 3rd ed, 2019). He is an editor-in-chief of Oral Health & Preventive Dentistry (Quintessence Ltd), Associate Editor of the British Dental Journal and an editorial board member of Dental Update. International Journal of Adhesion & Adhesives and the Primary Dental Journal.

He is a senior executive member of the British Dental Association (BDA) Health & Science Committee also, all whilst maintaining wet-fingered specialist clinical practice in Restorative Dentistry, Prosthodontics & Periodontics. He is a past-President of the BDA Metropolitan Branch London Section (2019-20) and currently holds an Hon. Consultant Advisor post to the Office of the Chief Dental Officer, England (2020 -). In this role he inputs into national NHS oral & dental care policy direction / advice to the UK government's department of health and social care. He also chairs the Career Pathways Programme Board at the new UK College of General Dentistry, helping to develop an integrated system for career development for all oral healthcare team members in primary care. He is the elected UK representative on the European Federation of Conservative Dentistry (EFCD) and co-chairs the UK chapter of the Alliance for a Cavity Free Future (ACFF), all these national / international roles aiming to help implement / translate his cariology & operative dentistry research into primary care clinical practice.

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