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Third-year dental student with two years of clinical experience and a background as a clinical research assistant in Infectious Disease. Skilled in providing comprehensive, patient-centered care in multidisciplinary hospital settings. Seeking to contribute my clinical knowledge, communication skills, and teamwork to a patient focused dental practice.

EDUCATION

University of the Pacific, Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry | San Francisco, CA

DDS Candidate Class of 2026 | Anticipated Graduation June 2026

- Third-year GPA: 3.80
- INBDE Boards and ADEX Status: Passed

Wellesley College | Wellesley, Massachusetts

Bachelor of Arts in Biology | Graduated June 2021

Senior Year GPA: 3.87

- Senior Student Athlete Speaker



HONORS/AWARDS

Eddie Hayashida Student Government Endowment

\$5,800-Scholarship for Dugoni School student participating in Student Body Leadership

RESEARCH/LABORATORY/CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

Endodontic Cryotherapy Trial (Triple Blind RCT) | San Francisco, CA

Clinical Research Volunteer | August 2025-present

- Assist in a triple-blinded randomized clinical trial (300 participants) assessing the impact of cold saline irrigation \pm ibuprofen and OdneClean technology on postoperative endodontic pain
- Collaborate with Emergency clinic and research team to facilitate workflow, participant tracking, and data collection

American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Academic Dental Careers Fellowship Program
| San Francisco, CA

Fellow | March 2025-present

- Researched and developed a portfolio exploring academic dentistry career pathways

Full-Time Employee at Brigham and Women's Hospital | Boston, MA

Research Assistant | July 2021-June 2023

- Supported clinical research studies on Cytomegalovirus and COVID-19 within the Infectious Disease department
- Interacted with patients, coordinated study visits with physicians, and completed regulatory documentation for study monitors and IRB requirements

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Pacific Student Community Outreach for Public Education (SCOPE)

Event Development Coordinator | August 2025-Present

- Coordinate with SCOPE council and organize community service events like Give Kids a Smile, Chinatown Event, Give Veterans a Smile, etc.

Endodontic Study Club | San Francisco, CA

Vice President | July 2024-Present

- Work with the Endodontic Study Club council to mentor students considering endodontics as a future specialty

Associated Student Body (ASB) Class Council | San Francisco, CA

ASB Representative at Large | July 2024-June 2025

- Organized major ASB events, including the Club Fair and Bridge Builders.
- Collaborated with administration and contributed to decisions impacting the student body

DDS 2026 Class Council | San Francisco, CA

Vice President | July 2023-June 2024

- Led fundraising efforts and organized class events while contributing to class-wide initiatives
- Represented the class at ASB meetings and communicated updates to administration

Wellesley College Basketball Team | Wellesley, MA

Team Captain | September 2017-June 2021

- Committed 30+ hours per week competing in the NEWMAC Conference
- Developed and implemented revised team protocols and operations during COVID-19 disruptions

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

SCOPE Volunteer | October 2023-present

- Performed free oral health screenings and clinical exams for residents of the SF Chinatown community, children and seniors
- Educated attendees on oral hygiene, oral health topics, and demonstrated proper techniques

Jamaica Service Trip | October 2025

- Delivered free dental care to underserved populations in Montego Bay through a community clinic
- Performed a range of procedures like diagnostic x-rays, extractions, fillings, and cleanings

Student National Dental Association (SNDA) Impressions Day Volunteer | May 2024, May 2025

- Provided one-on-one mentorship to prospective minority students interested in dentistry
- Assisted participants in completing sim-lab procedures, including Class II fillings, alginate impressions, and stone model fabrication on typodonts

CONFERENCES

American Student Dental Association (ASDA) Lobby Day | Washington D.C.

Dental Conference | April 2024

- Engaged in policy discussions on national issues affecting oral health and dental care
- Met with lawmakers on Capitol Hill to advocate for patient access, workforce support, and key legislative priorities in dentistry

PUBLICATIONS

Gonzalez-Bocco, I. H., Beluch, K., Cho, A., Lahoud, C., Reyes, F. A., Moshovitis, D. G., Unger-Mochrie, G. M., Wang, W., Hammond, S. P., Manne-Goehler, J., & Koo, S. (2023). Safety and tolerability study of sotrovimab (VIR-7831) prophylaxis against COVID-19 infection in immunocompromised individuals with impaired SARS-CoV-2 humoral immunity. *Pilot and feasibility studies*, 9(1), 100. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s40814-023-01325-y>

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REFERENCES

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