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I am a third year PhD student in the School of Immunity and Infection and I’m sponsored by the NINA (Marie Curie Research Fellowship). The aims of my project are to identify the phenotype of thymic epithelial progenitor cells and to recapitulate thymic function by generating thyimic tisseus in vitro and vivo. I use flow cytometry and immunofluorescence. I am originally from South Korea and studied as an undergraduate at the University of Michigan, USA.

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I am a second year PhD student in public health, funded by an NIHR doctoral fellowship. I am conducting a systematic review on case finding for COPD in primary care and developing a risk stratification tool to help screen for COPD. I have some experience of writing a systematic review protocol, linear and logistic regression modelling, and primary care data extraction. I studied medicine in Birmingham and recently completed an MPH while training in public health. I currently chair the public health specialty registrars for the West Midlands. Socially I play badminton.

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I am currently a Clinical Lecturer in Restorative Dentistry (Periodontology).

I qualified in 2004 and then spent 2 years in General Dental Practice before gaining additional hospital training as Senior House Officer in Prosthetics, Oral Surgery, Paediatrics, Orthodontics, Oral Medicine and Periodontology at the Birmingham Dental Hospital. I was then appointed Clinical Lecturer in Restorative Dentistry (Periodontology) in 2008. My time is divided between teaching undergraduate dental students, treatment sessions and undertaking research on the host response in chronic periodontitis and further investigating the links between periodontal and systemic health leading towards my PhD.

I have an active interest in periodontal research, and obtained successful grant funding and also had the opportunity to present my work both nationally and internationally.

I enjoy teaching undergraduate dental students throughout all stages of the BDS course. I have also completed my qualification in Learning and Teaching in Higher Education leading to the award of Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy.

I am also actively involved in postgraduate dental education and am an Examiner for the Membership of the Joint Dental Faculties (MJDF) examination at the Royal College of Surgeons of England.

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I am a third year cross-discplinary PhD student studying in Dentistry, Chemical Engineering and Computer Science, sponsored by the EPRSC. I use image understanding and analysis to investigate how the internal anatomy of a tooth can be disinfected. I studied at undergraduate level in Birmingham. I Play badminton socially.  I also Help out on beach teams during the summer.

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I am a second (administrative)/third (chronological) year PhD student in Public Health. I am in a Clinical Research Fellow post funded by West Midlands NHS Deanery. I use predominantly qualitative methods to explore the roles and experience of lay workers in health promotion. I also studied MBChB, BMedSc and MPH at Birmingham and have worked in a variety of clinical roles in medicine and public health, and recently completed higher specialist training in public health while on a research fellowship. I am experienced in designing and delivering teaching and supervision for under- and postgraduates.  I am currently working part time, having taken maternity leave during doctoral study.  I am chair of PHEB Club, the group set up to support PG students in Public Health, Epidemiology and Biostatistics.