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In 2004, he was invited by the US National Institutes for Dental and Craniofacial Research and the World Health Organization's Oral Health Division to participate in the Eight Global Forum for Health Research. In 2005, he collaborated with the Pan-American Health Organization in drafting a hemispheric strategy to enable oral health providers to expand their involvement in the public health response to HIV. He participated in the expert panel convened by US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and National Association of Community Health Centers to explore ways to integrate rapid HIV testing into routine dental care.

He's a faculty member in HIVdent and he serves as a member of the International Editorial Board of the Journal of the American Dental Association. Since 1992, he has been a member of the Organization for Safety and Asepsis Procedures (OSAP) and served 1998-2008 on the OSAP Foundation's Board of Directors. He is the 2004 recipient of the Dr. James A. Cottone Award for Investigative Research in Dental Infection Control and Safety.

Since 1992, he has developed educational programs to train dental faculty, students, and professionals and has lectured on infection control to over 5,000 dentists working for Mexican Public Health Institutions in collaboration with the Mexican Ministry of Health. Since 1993, he has represented UNAM's Dental School at the committees drafting the *Mexican National Standards on Prevention and Control of Oral Diseases, Control and Eradication of Diseases Preventable through Immunization, and Medical Waste Management*. He currently serves as advisor to Mexico's "Consejo de Salubridad General" on infection control equipment and supplies for the federal public health services.

He has written review articles and editorials for Spanish-language dental journals. He conducts research on infection control and product evaluation. His research findings have been published in *Infection and Immunity, Journal of Infectious Diseases, Journal of Clinical Laboratory Analysis, British Journal of Dermatology, Oral Surgery Oral Medicine and Oral Pathology, Archives of Oral Biology, Infection Control and Hospital Epidemiology, American Journal of Infection Control, Journal of the American Dental Association, International Dental Journal, International Journal of Paediatric Dentistry, AIDS Research and Human Retroviruses, Journal of Dental Education, AIDS Pat Care and STD's*.

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