



## News Release

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### **Dr. M. Anthony Pogrel Receives 2009 Gies Foundation Award**



**[Rosemont, Ill]** M. Anthony Pogrel DMD, MD, received the 2009 William J. Gies Foundation Award in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, October 14, during the opening ceremony of the 91st Annual Meeting, Scientific Sessions and Exhibition of the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The Gies Award is presented to educators in recognition of distinguished achievements in the specialty of oral and maxillofacial surgery.

Dr. Pogrel is professor and chair of the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery with a joint appointment in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at the University of California-San Francisco School of Dentistry. He was appointed associate dean for hospital affairs in March 2009. He specializes in head and neck pathologies, temporomandibular joint surgery, orthognathic surgery and the use of lasers in surgery. In addition to treating patients at UCSF Medical Center, he conducts research on new treatments for oral and maxillofacial conditions including problems with facial nerves and salivary gland tumors. Dr. Pogrel has published more than 250 articles in peer-reviewed journals and textbooks and is a diplomate of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

Dr. Pogrel is a fellow of the AAOMS, the American College of Surgeons and the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh. He is certified by the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. Dr. Pogrel earned his dental degree at Liverpool University in England and a medical degree at Aberdeen University in Scotland. He completed general surgery training in Great Britain and oral and maxillofacial surgery training in Great Britain, Holland and Miami, Fla.

*More than 5,000 registrants, including oral and maxillofacial surgeons from around the world, attended the AAOMS Annual Meeting where they conducted association business, discussed surgical procedures, earned continuing education credits and met with dental industry suppliers.*

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