

Brad K. Rodu, DDS

Profile:

Education/Training

Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, Pre-Dentistry, 1974-1974.

D.D.S., Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, Dentistry, 1974-1977.

Resident, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, Oral Pathology, 1977-1978.

Resident, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, Oral Pathology, 1978-1979.

Research and Professional Experience

1979-1981

NCI Clinical Associate in Oncology

ACS Clinical Fellowship

University of Alabama at Birmingham

1981-1985

Assistant Professor, Department of Pathology; Associate Scientist, Comprehensive Cancer Center

University of Alabama at Birmingham

1981-1996

Director, Dental Oncology Service, Comprehensive Cancer Center

University of Alabama at Birmingham

1982-2005

Medical and Dental Staff, Pathology Service

University of Alabama at Birmingham

1984-2005

Assistant Professor, Department of Radiation Oncology

University of Alabama at Birmingham

1985-1997

Associate Professor, Department of Pathology; Scientist, Comprehensive Cancer Center

University of Alabama at Birmingham

1990-1996

Director, Oral Pathology Graduate Program

University of Alabama at Birmingham

1991-2005

Professor of Dentistry, School of Dentistry

University of Alabama at Birmingham

1997-2005

Professor, Department of Pathology; Senior Scientist, Comprehensive Cancer Center

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2005-Present

Professor, Department of Medicine

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Senior Scientist, James Graham Brown Cancer Center

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Current Research Interests:

Dr. Rodu's research focus has been on tobacco harm reduction, involving the substitution of safer tobacco products for smokers who are unable or unwilling to quit smoking with conventional cessation methods. His published research includes epidemiologic models regarding life expectancy of tobacco users, prevalence studies of tobacco use and adverse health consequences in Sweden, and laboratory analyses of tobacco products.

Representative Publications:

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Vigneswaran N, Tilashalski K, **Rodu B**, Cole P: Tobacco use and cancer: A reappraisal. *Oral Surg* 80:178-182, 1995.

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Research Projects: