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## **Personal Information**

Jordanian

Birth date: May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1983

Education		Location
2010-2014	Ph.D./ Eric Everett Lab	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill UNC-CH
2001 – 2006	Bachelor Degree in Dental Surgery <u>Percentage grade</u> : 87.4, Excellent <u>Rank</u> : First Among 112 Students	Jordan University of Science an Technology, Jordan
August 2001	High School Percentage Grade: 95.6	Jordan

Professional Experience		Organization
September 2015-present	Assistant Dean	Jordan University of Science an Technology
March 2015- present	Assistant Professor of Oral Biology	Jordan University of Science an Technology
August 2010- 2014	Research assistant/ Eric Everett lab	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
July 2009 –July 2010	Teaching Assistant in Oral Medicine Clinic	Jordan University of Science & Technology
Jan 2007 – July 2009 July 2006 – Jan 2007	General Dental Practice Internship Practice	Private Sector Queen Alia's Military Hospital

# **Teaching Experience**

Updated: 7/2016

February/2015-present Dental Anatomy and Occlusion February /2015-present Oral Histology and Embryology

February /2016-present Oral Physiology
June /2016-present Research Project

June /2015-present Introduction to dentistry

### **Research Interests:**

Oral Clefting, Genetics of Oral Clefting, Oral Cancer, Oral and Dental Diseases, Odontogenesis.

## **Research Skills**

Conventional and qRT-PCR, Designing Custom Primers for Conventional and qRT-PCR, DNA Extraction, RNA Extraction, Western Blot, Northern Blot, Cell Culture, Plasmid DNA Transfection, Skeletal Staining and Clearing, Histological Sectioning and Staining, Micro-Ct (Image acquisition and analysis), Small Animal Handling, Mouse Husbandry.

## **Publications and Accepted Abstracts**

#### Abstract

M. ALAZZAM, E. BOUKAS, K. RYAN, C. MAY, P.A. OVERBEEK, E.T. EVERETT.

"Mutation of *Runx1t1*: Growth Delay, Cleft Palate and Rib Anomalies." Abstract # 1390 (2014).43rd Annual Meeting & Exhibition of the AADR. Charlotte, NC, USA.

### **Abstract**

E. Boukas, H. Zimmerman, M. Alazzam, K. Ryan, E. Everett. "QTL Mapping and Shh Gene Expression During Interfrontal Bone Formation". Abstract # 1053 (2014).43rd Annual Meeting & Exhibition of the AADR. Charlotte, NC, USA.

<b>Scholarships and Awards</b>		Organization
<b>August 2010-July2014</b>	PhD/Dissertation Scholarship	Jordan University of Science &
		Technology
February 2014	Turner award winner (1 <sup>st</sup> place)	University of North Carolina at
		Chapel Hill
March 2014	University research day award (1st	University of North Carolina at
	place)	Chapel Hill

# Competitions and Awards (Participation) March 2014 Hatton

March 2014 Hatton award finalist AADR meeting 2014

Certificates		Credit Hours
•	TIBBS Teaching Certificate Series.  Multitype Implant System Educational Program.  Management of Class III Malocclusion Course.	- 16 6

<b>Social/Voluntary Activities</b>	Details
August 2016	Career Day at Jordan University of Science and Technology.
December 2006	Participated in a free medical and dental day in Al Mafraq /Jordan
December 2005	2 – day Oral and Dental Health educational program for SOS Children and their guardians

# Languages

- Arabic as Mother Tongue
- Excellecnt Written and Spoken English