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Professor of Oral Pathology, Faculty of Dentistry,
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Brief Introduction

WM Tilakaratne BDS, MS, FDSRCS, FRCPath, PhD is currently the Professor of Oral Pathology and Senior Consultant attached to the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Clinical Sciences and Associate Dean Faculty of Dentistry, University of Malaya. He has held many academic and professional positions in the past three and half decades including Professor of Oral Pathology at the Queen Mary University of London and visiting Professor to universities in many countries around the world including University of Western Australia, University of Otago New Zealand, University of Chulalongkorn Thailand, Ramachandra, Saveetha and Manipal universities in India, Universiti Malaya Malaysia and Queen Mary UK. He is the former Dean, Faculty of Dental Sciences, University of Peradeniya Sri Lanka, and past president of the International Association of Oral Pathologists. He is a researcher of high repute and listed in the best 2% of world Scientists by Stanford University and the first Dentist practising in Sri Lanka to achieve that. He was the recipient of the CVCD award for best researcher in Medical, Dental and veterinary Sciences in Sri Lanka and the recipient of the Presidential research award many years. His main

research areas are oral cancer and oral potentially malignant disorders. He is the first Dental Surgeon to be awarded the fellow of National academy of Science Sri Lanka. He has published over 180 papers with an H-index of 47, written two internationally renowned textbooks, and contributed to 44 chapters in internationally recognized books. He is an Editor for the latest WHO classification on Head and neck tumours, and IARC handbook on Oral cancer prevention.

Education

- BDS, MS, FDSRCS, FRCPath, PhD

Professional Experiences

- Practicing as an Oral Pathologist for more than 30 years and as Professor of Oral Pathology for 23 years.

Research Interests and Areas of Expertise

Oral Cancer, Oral Potentially Malignant disorders and Odontogenic tumours.