

Dentistry Top 50 – 2009

Welcome to the return of our biggest and most popular annual feature – the Dentistry Top 50. Once again this poll is sure to be a tightly-fought campaign as we ask our readers who they consider to be the most influential people in the UK dental sector. Will Kevin Lewis be overtaken as the number one this time? Read on to find out how to have your say . . .



Here we go again! The Dentistry Top 50 has attracted thousands of votes since its inception in 2006, and this issue marks the launch of its fourth running.

Each year we ask our readers to compile their own top 10 list of who they think are the most influential figures in the UK dental profession. People nominated can be big-name dentists, politicians, lecturers, association leaders, business experts, coaching gurus or media columnists – anyone who has acted as a prime influence in your professional career, either from afar or in relation to your day-to-day job.

As usual, we have provided a list of **suggested** names to help you on your way towards listing your own top 10. Votes can be cast by filling in and posting a voting form (see below), emailing top50@dentistry.co.uk or going online at www.dentistry.co.uk/top50.

This survey is open to all readers of *Dentistry* magazine and registered users of Dentistry.co.uk. Only forms with a completed list of 10 names will be counted.

At the end of the voting period all our readers' nominations will be collated and the 50 people who received the most votes will be revealed.

Kevin Lewis has dominated this poll in recent years and was named number one in 2008 after receiving more votes than

anyone else – can anyone beat him to the title of the dental profession's most influential figure this time around?

Although Kevin will once again be one of the favourites in 2009, there are many names within the sector that could challenge for the top spot. Birmingham orthodontist and Challenge DoH founder Eddie Crouch was the highest new entry last year and his stock will have risen further after winning the inaugural UK Outstanding Achievement Award at the Dentistry Awards in December. With the new-contract implications always in the news, the likes of Barry Cockcroft, Ann Keen, Peter Ward, Susie Sanderson, Derek Watson, Lester Ellman, Michael Watson, Mike Penning and Sandra Gidley may well figure highly in many people's thoughts.

There have also been a number of key appointments made over the last 12 months that may sway some people's opinion, such as Sue Gregory (new deputy chief dental officer at the Department of Health), Elaine Halley (president of the British Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry), Gordon Watkins (president of the British Dental Association), Stuart Johnston (chair of the BDA's Representative Body), and Teresa Witchell (chair of the British Dental Practice Managers' Association).

The closing date for all votes – and via all formats – is Friday 27 February 2009.



This is a list of people you may wish to vote for. As always, please note that these are only suggested names – readers are free to vote for whoever they see fit:

Tony Ahern	Gordon Christensen	Amarjit Gill	Alan Johnson	Hew Mathewson	Juliette Reeves	Joe Sullivan
Martyn Amsell	Barry Cockcroft	James Goolnik	Stuart Johnston	Roger Matthews	John Renshaw	Pam Swain
Steven Anderson	Anthony Colwyn	Andrew Gould	Steve Jones	Rob McAndrew	Joe Rich	Russell Tant
Mark Atkinson	John Cranham	Edgar Gordon	Stuart Orton-Jones	Ian McIntyre	Nigel Risner	Dennis Tarnow
Ruby Austin	Eddie Crouch	Ian Gordon	Dipak Joshi	Paul Mendlesohn	Ron Ritsco	Hilt Tatum
Brian Avery	Bridget Crump	Sally Goss	Krishan Joshi	Martin Mills	Shona Robison	Stuart Thompson
Graham Barnby	Bob Cummings	Mike Gow	Vinod Joshi	Sia Mirfendereski	Derry Rogers	John Tiernan
Nasser Barghi	Simon Cunningham	Ken Green	Sascha Jovanovic	Carl Misch	Simon Roland	Paul Tipton
Chris Barrow	Andrew Dawood	Sue Greening	Liz Kay	Basil Mizrahi	Larry Rosenthal	Bernard Touati
Paul Batchelor	Jennifer de St Georges	Linda Greenwall	Ann Keen	Donna Molavi	Margaret Ross	Skip Truitt
Raman Bedi	Clive Debenham	Sue Gregory	Chris Kettler	Steve Moulder	Clifford Ruddle	Andrea Ubhi
Meredith Bell	Robert Donald	Galip Gurel	Bob Khanna	Richard Mounce	Duncan Rudkin	Cemal Ucer
Nick Bengier	William Dorfman	Elaine Halley	Fazeela Khan-Osborne	Mike Mulcahy	Susie Sanderson	Manny Vasant
Ian Benington	Rahul Doshi	Stephen Hancocks	Tony Kilcoyne	Ross Nash	Jonathan Sandler	Luca Vanini
Phil Bennett	Mervyn Druian	Stuart Harding	George Kirtley	Ian Needleman	Nigel Saynor	Sunita Verma
Paul Beresford	Paul Dummer	Mark Haswell	David Klaff	Philip Newsome	Edwin Scher	Lynn Walters
John Besford	David Dunlop	Van Haywood	Nigel Knott	Tim Newton	Crispian Scully	Phil Wander
Anthony Blinkhorn	Andrew Eder	Mike Heads	Peter Kurer	Hien Ngo	Lloyd Searson	Peter Ward
David Bloom	Roderic Edwards	Roy Higson	Laurence Lando	Michael Norton	Derek Setchell	Gordon Watkins
Ed Bonner	Lester Ellman	John Hobkirk	John Langford	Christopher Orr	Ashok Sethi	Derek Watson
Tim Bradstock-Smith	Julian English	Simon Hocken	Payman Langroudi	Ashish Parmar	Margaret Seward	Jerry Watson
Ingvar Branemark	Newton Fahl	Caroline Holland	Nick Ledingham	Ellis Paul	Seema Sharma	Tim Watson
Peter Briggs	Martin Fallowfield	Rupert Hoppenbrouwers	Roger Levin	Ian Peace	Harry Shiers	Michael Watson
Gordon Brown	Abid Faqir	David Hornbrook	Kevin Lewis	Keith Pearson	Harris Sidelsky	Julian Webber
Stephen Buchanan	Koray Feran	David Houston	Alison Lockyer	Mike Penning	Amolak Singh	John Whitworth
Ian Buckle	Charles Ferber	David Hudaly	John Lowry	Julian Perry	Quentin Skinner	Mark Willings
Trevor Burke	Brian Franks	James Hull	Chris Lucas	David Phillips	Mabel Slater	Derrick Willmot
Steve Byfield	George Freedman	Ian Jackson	Paddi Lund	Barry Posner	Kish Soneji	David Wilson
Nigel Carter	Philip Friel	Tony Jacobs	Brian Lux	Chris Potts	Frank Spear	Doreen Wilson
Sally Chadwick	Peter Galgut	Ken James	Edward Lynch	Geoff Pullen	Howard Stean	Nairn Wilson
Wyman Chan	Simon Gambold	Cathy Jameson	Stanley Malamed	Raj Rattan	Chris Stock	Michael Wise
Gerard Chiche	Stephen Gates	Gareth Jenkins	Tidu Mankoo	Omer Reed	Paul Stone	Teresa Witchell
John Chope	Sandra Gidley	Tony Jenner	Mike Martin	Tony Reed	Nicola Sturgeon	Michael Zybutz

The 2008 Dentistry Top 50 poll captured the imagination of our readers. Names from a wide variety of sections within the dental profession were nominated, and to get you in the mood ahead of the 2009 campaign here's a reminder of where your votes went last year:

1. Kevin Lewis	11. Simon Hocken	21. Bob Khanna	31. Nairn Wilson	41. Ann Keen
2. Eddie Crouch	12. Roy Higson	22. Barry Cockcroft	32. Nasser Barghi	42. David Bloom
3. Paddi Lund	13. Crispian Scully	23. Gordon Broawn	33. Michael Watson	43. Mervyn Druian
4. Michael Wise	14. David Houston	24. Hew Mathewson	34. Wyman Chan	44. Julian English
5. Amarjit Gill	15. Ellis Paul	25. Manny Vasant	35. Abid Faqir	45. Larry Rosenthal
6. Edward Lynch	16. Trevor Burke	26. John Tiernan	36. Lester Ellman	46. Linda Greenwall
7. Raj Rattan	17. Ashok Sethi	27. Vinod Joshi	37. Peter Ward	47. Jennifer de St Georges
8. Christopher Orr	18. Paul Tipton	28. Tony Jacobs	38. Margaret Seward	48. Joe Rich
9. Chris Barrow	19. Stephen Hancocks	29. John Besford	39. Ruby Austin	49. William Dorfman
10. Bridget Crump	20. Gordon Christensen	30. Derek Watson	40. Per-Ingvar Branemark	50. Mike Martin



1st place _____
 2nd _____
 3rd _____
 4th _____
 5th _____
 6th _____
 7th _____
 8th _____
 9th _____
 10th _____

To register your votes, please complete this form, cut it out and send to: Dentistry Top 50, 1 Hertford House, Farm Close, Shenley, Hertfordshire, WD7 9AB. You can also vote by email (top50@dentistry.co.uk) or online at www.dentistry.co.uk/top50.

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