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Assoc. Prof. Dr. G. Padmanabha Kumar is a distinguished Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon with extensive experience in clinical practice, academia, and research. He currently serves as the Deputy Dean (Clinical Services & Lab Operations) at the Faculty of Dentistry, MAHSA University, Malaysia. Previously, he held key positions as Head of the Division of Oral and Maxillofacial Sciences(Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, Oral Pathology, Oral Medicine and Dental Radiology) and Head of the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at MAHSA University.

He completed his undergraduate and postgraduate training in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at The Tamil Nadu Govt Dr. M.G.R. Medical University, India. He also holds the FDSRCPs from the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow and the FDSRCS from the Royal College of Surgeons of England. His expertise in Implantology includes training in Basic Implantology and a Master's in Advanced Surgical Implantology from Bangalore, India.

With nearly 26 years of experience in general dental practice and over 16 years in specialized oral and maxillofacial surgery, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Kumar has been actively involved in academia since 1999. He has served as a Lecturer at Ragas Dental College and Hospital, India, for seven years, followed by four years as a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at Thai Moogambigai Dental College and Hospital, India. He later joined MAHSA University and is also a visiting faculty member at the University of Puthisastra, Phnom Penh, Cambodia. He is also a visiting Professor to RVS Dental College & Hospital, Coimbatore, India.

His clinical and research interests include Orthognathic Surgery, Maxillofacial Oncology, and Advanced Surgical Implantology. He has conducted studies on autologous bone grafts for implants in resorbed alveolar ridges and is currently leading research on oral oncology and artificial intelligence in oral and maxillofacial surgery. As an active researcher, he has presented at national and international conferences and has numerous publications in indexed journals. He has few patents on dental equipment's and instruments. He also serves as a peer reviewer for several international dentistry and medical journals.

At MAHSA University, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Kumar plays a pivotal role in organizing workshops on Implantology, Oral Biopsy, Oral Cancer Detection, and Minor Oral Surgical Procedures. He is a member of multiple academic and administrative boards, including the Faculty Academic Board, Faculty Human Capital Management Board, Faculty Business Operations Board, and the Central Vetting Committee. Additionally, he serves as an evaluator and international examiner for PhD candidates at various universities worldwide.