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Dear Dr. Haas,

I received a one time faculty development award in 1999 and I will always be grateful to the AAOF for that support as I transitioned to an academic career in orthodontics.

My project was entitled:
Does Malocclusion affect Masticatory Performance and is being published by the Angle Orthodontists in 2002?

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This project was completed during my stay at Baylor College of Dentistry's Department of Orthodontics.

Summary: The study evaluated the largely untested assumption that malocclusion negatively affects masticatory performance. We clearly demonstrated that malocclusion negatively affects subject's ability to process and break down foods. Class III malocclusion has the most difficulty in mastication followed by Class II, Class I and normal occlusion groups.

Thank you again for your support,

Sincerely,

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