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Zrinka Tarle, born on 28th August 1969, is the Dean of School of Dental Medicine, University of Zagreb.

Since 2011 she has been a full tenured professor in the field of restorative dentistry and endodontics. Her field of expertise focuses on the investigation of properties and possible improvements of materials and procedures in restorative dental medicine. She was awarded her PhD degree in 1995 with a thesis on "The evaluation of polymerization effect of pulsed laser light source in the composite resin sample".

She was a Vice-dean for Science and Research between 2007-2018, as well as head of Postgraduate Doctoral Study Dental Medicine.

She is head of Restorative dental medicine. She authored more than 200 publications, lectured at numerous national and international meetings and organized different courses, symposia and congresses.

She is a Board member of CED IADR (2008-2016, President 2013-2014), PER IADR (2014-; Treasurer 2016-), AODES (2015-) and a member of IADR Nominating Committee (2014-2018) as well as a member of many national scientific associations, such as boards and committees of University, Ministry of Science, Ministry of Health, Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts and Croatian Science Foundation.

She has obtained many national and international awards for her scientific work but the most important one was the National Award for Science in 2012. Her greatest achievement has been her election as a member of the Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts. She is married and the mother of two sons.