## **The Departmental Research Presentations**

The Department of Periodontology, Community and Preventive Dentistry held their first departmental research presentation in the year 2014.

This is a forum that brings together all the graduate students in the department and academic staff. It presents opportunities for constructive criticism for the graduate research to improve the final thesis. The presentation session was chaired by the Chair of the Department, Dr. R. Mutave.

Further to this meeting, the students received contributions from senior members of staff and specialists in periodontology including Prof. E. Wagaiyu, Dr. A. Wetende ó a consultant periodontist at KNH, and Dr. E. Riro ó currently working at Nakuru Level V Hospital. Dr. H. Alumera recorded the proceedings during this meeting.

Proposed research topics include cutting edge research in saliva as a biomarker for periodontal disease.