

The winners of the 2007 Frechette Awards were presented at the International Association for Dental Research annual meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana. The Frechette is the annual research competition for new investigators sponsored by the Prosthodontics Research Group of the International Association for Dental Research and honoring the memory of Arthur R. Frechette who served as Secretary-Treasurer of the IADR from 1968 until 1977. The winners were **Dr. Hideki AITA**, University of Hokkaido, Sapporo, Japan, for his study entitled “**Accelerated osseointegration around light-induced super-amphiphilic titanium surface**” and **Dr. Yu ZHANG**, New York University, USA for his study entitled “**Gliding Contact Fatigue Damage Maps of Veneered Zirconia Structures**” The individuals pictured are (left-to-right) Dr. Weng-Kong Tam, Tzu Chi University, Hualien City, Taiwan, Frechette Award Finalist; Dr. Yu Zhang, Frechette Award Winner; Dr. Hugh Devlin, President IADR Prosthodontics Group, Dr. Hideki Aita, Frechette Award Winner, Ms. Lori Gottschlich, Whip Mix Corporation; Dr. Yohei Sato, Tsurumi University, Yokohama, Japan, Frechette Award Finalist; Mr. James Robinson, Whip Mix Corporation; Dr. Masahiro Yamada, University of California Los Angeles, USA, Frechette Award Finalist; Dr. Stephen F. Rosenstiel, Frechette Coordinator IADR Prosthodontics Group and Dr. Robert Berg, Montefiore Medical Center, Bronx, NY, USA, Frechette Award Finalist. In addition to the plaques Drs. Aita and Zhang each received a check for \$1000 thanks to the generous support of the Whip Mix Corporation.

Twenty-two new investigators in Prosthodontics applied for one of the two 2008 Arthur R. Frechette Research Awards in Prosthodontics. Eleven submitted for Prosthodontic research undertaken with a Materials Science or Bioengineering oriented protocol and eleven for Prosthodontic research undertaken with a Biological Sciences and Tissue Engineering oriented protocol. Each award carries a cash prize of \$1,000.

