

# 2010 Frechette Awards

The winners of the 2010 Frechette Awards were recently presented at the International Association for Dental Research annual meeting in Barcelona, Spain. The Frechette is the annual research competition for new investigators sponsored by the Prosthodontics 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. Robert L. Smith**, Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL, USA, for his study entitled “**Long-Term Microtensile Bond Strength of Surface Modified Zirconia**” and **Dr. Takao Watamoto**, Osaka University Graduate School of Dentistry, Suita, Japan for his study entitled “**Antifungal resistance gene expressions in various lifestyles of Candida albicans**”.



The individuals pictured are (left-to-right) Dr. Takeshi Ueno, University of California Los Angeles, Los Angeles, Calif, Frechette Award Finalist; Dr. Yung-Chung Chen, Minnesota Dental Research Center for Biomaterials & Biomechanics, Minneapolis, Minn, Frechette Award Finalist; Dr. Asbjørn Jokstad, President IADR Prosthodontics Group; Dr. Robert L. Smith, Frechette Award Winner; Sr. Alfonso Pérez, Dentalite SA, representing Whip Mix Corp; Dr. Takao Watamoto, Frechette Award Winner; Dr. Kei Tomoeda, Kyushu Dental College, Kitakyushu City, Japan, Frechette Award Finalist; and Dr. Stephen F. Rosenstiel, Frechette Coordinator IADR Prosthodontics Group. Not pictured, Dr. Leandro M. Martins, Bauru School of Dentistry - University of São Paulo, Bauru, Brazil, Frechette Award Finalist. In addition to the plaques Drs. Smith and Watamoto each received a check for \$1000 thanks to the generous support of the Whip Mix Corporation.