

## 2012 Frechette Awards

The winners of the 2012 Frechette Awards were recently presented at the International Association for Dental Research annual meeting in Iguacu Falls, Brazil. 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. Shinya Uraguchi, Osaka University, Osaka, Japan** for “**Enhanced Osteogenesis of iPS Cells by Id2 Gene Knockout**” and **Dr. D. Mota Moreira, University of Texas - San Antonio / Health Science Ctr, San Antonio, Texas** for “**Antibacterial Activity of a Novel Silver Nanoparticle-Loaded Orthodontic Band Cement**”.



The individuals pictured are (left-to-right) Dr. Keiichi Sasaki, Japan, President IADR Prosthodontics Group; Dr. Uraguchi, Frechette Award Winner; Dr. Moreira, Frechette Award Winner; Dr. Nadezda Bessudnova, Department of Nano- and Biomedical Technologies, Saratov State University, Saratov, Russia, Frechette Award Finalist; Dr. Amilcar Freitas Jr., Biomaterials and Biomimetics, New York University, New York, NY, Frechette Award Finalist; Dr. Tatsuhide Hayashi, Department of Dental Materials Science, Aichi Gakuin University, Nagoya, Japan, Frechette Award Finalist; and Dr. Stephen F. Rosenstiel, Frechette Coordinator IADR Prosthodontics Group. Not pictured, Dr. Yuya Kamano, Department of Fixed Prosthodontics, Osaka University, Suita-city, Osaka, Japan, Frechette Award Finalist. In addition to the plaques Drs. Uraguchi and Moreira each received a check for \$1000 thanks to the generous support of the Whip Mix Corporation.