

We are pleased to announce this year's Dentsply Sirona Bovendeert University Research Award sponsored by Dentsply Sirona Orthodontics - Europe. As part of the GCARE (GAC Clinical Alliance for Research and Education) initiative, this award is designed to promote and recognize excellence in clinical or translational research completed by orthodontic residents during the 2017/2018 academic year. Award winners will be recognized in June 2018 at the annual EPSOS meeting held in conjunction with the EOS in Edinburgh, Scotland.

Eligibility

The Orthodontic Department Chair or Program Director should select and recommend one research project completed by 2017/2018 resident for consideration. A signed submission form from the sponsoring Chair or Program director is required as part of the abstract submission using the format included with this announcement. Previously published research is not eligible.

Awards

Three award levels will be presented. Awardees will receive formal recognition and presentation at the EPSOS meeting.

	Educational Grant to Orthodontic Department	Cash Award to Resident
1st Place	4,000€	1,000€
2 nd Place	2,000€	750€
3 rd Place	1,000€	500€



How To Apply

1. All Abstracts should be submitted to: Susan Duval, CE Manager Dentsply Sirona Orthodontics - Europe (susan.duval@dentsplysirona.com) by the author using the appropriate GCARE form. (send form request to susan.duval@dentsplysirona.com)
2. Abstracts should contain the appropriate detailed information under the following subheadings: **Background, purpose, research design, results and conclusions.**
3. Abstracts will be limited to 300 words or 1000 characters. The document should be double spaced in 12 point font and preferably in PDF format.
4. All abstracts received by **Sunday, May 13, 2018** will be considered for participation in the competition.
5. Identifying information regarding the author(s), college and department name and research committee should be provided in the Chair/Program Directors award online submission form. The abstract itself should not contain any identifiers or it will be disqualified.

Judging and Notification

1. Abstracts will be reviewed to determine their eligibility by the Chair of the GCARE European University Advisory Board.
2. They will be judged by an independent panel of orthodontic educators who will blind review the abstracts and determine the winners. The review panel will not receive any information regarding the name of the program or applicant. The decision of the panel is final.
3. Abstracts will be judged on originality, innovation, relevance, validity of research design, results and conclusions.
4. Winners will be notified prior to the end of **May 2018** and are encouraged to attend the EPSOS.

Rules and Responsibilities

1. Participants must be a graduate of an accredited orthodontic program in Europe.
2. Winners will be notified following completion of the judging. Awards will be formally recognized by Dentsply Sirona Orthodontics (Europe) during the EPSOS meeting.
3. The Educational Grant to the Orthodontic Department is not a cash award, but consists in the funding or partial funding of a future or existing research project and is subject to local government legislation and laws.
4. Cash Award will be provided directly to the resident.
5. Only one research project per institution will be accepted.