



IADR Heraeus Kulzer Travel Award: Sponsorship for young scientists

Hanau/ 18.07.2017 – Young scientists investigate new or innovative testing methods of dental materials and search for new ways to improve and develop dental materials. As acknowledgment for their research work, five scientists have been awarded with the IADR Heraeus Kulzer Travel Award.

From Australia to Sudan – more than 50 young scientists from 20 countries had applied for the 8th IADR Heraeus Kulzer Award. The rising number of applications shows that the reputation of this award has remarkably increased over the past few years. The award is granted to respectively one researcher from each of the following regions: North America, Latin America, Europe, Africa/Middle East and Asia/Pacific. With its financial support covering the travel expenses Kulzer enables the award winners to attend the IADR General Session & Exhibition, which this year took place in San Francisco.

The award was granted to Ken Irari Moi from University School of Dentistry in Kenya, Shuping Zhao from University of Hong-Kong (China), Yvette Alania from Faculdade de Odontologia USP in Brazil, Dina Moussa from University of Minnesota (USA) and Michael Wendler from Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nuremberg (Germany).

By means of the Award, Kulzer wants to encourage the development of new products and promising innovations. Who would be better suited for undertaking this than young researchers with an unbiased attitude? The young researchers' potential, once again, is reflected in the research topics of 2017: Ken Irari Moi worked on an in-vitro evaluation of repair protocols of resin-based composite restorations. Shuping Zhao examined the secondary caries prevention by using silver-diamine-fluoride treatment and CPP-ACP-modified glass-ionomer cements. Yvette Alania tested the remineralisation potential of resin-based composites containing TEGDMA-functionalised calcium phosphate particles. Dina Moussa investigated hydrophobic peptide-coated dentine for the prevention of the degradation of composite restorations. Michael Wendler worked on a new tailored test to investigate the mechanical performance of chairside CAD/CAM blocks.

Next year's IADR Meeting will take place in London from July 25 to 28. Kulzer will also support the IADR Kulzer Travel Award in 2018. Here you will find more details on the award and the application procedure as well as information on the selection process:

<http://www.iadr.org/IADR/Awards/Grants-Awards/Kulzer>.



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The winner of the Heraeus Kulzer Award (from left to right): Dina Moussa, Shuping Zhao, Yvette Alania, Michael Wendler and Ken Irari with Dr. Janine Schweppe from Kulzer.



About Kulzer

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Kulzer is part of the Mitsui Chemicals Group. The Japanese Mitsui Chemicals Inc. (MCI) based in Tokyo owns 131 affiliates with more than 13,400 employees in 27 countries. Its innovative and functional chemical products are as much in demand in the automotive, electronics and packaging industries as in environmental protection and healthcare.

Up to July 2017, Kulzer operated under the name of Heraeus Kulzer. By changing the name, Kulzer will focus on its strengths that have made it successful: loyal partnerships with users, distributors and universities, and, above all, highest quality materials, innovations and a spectrum of services that is unique in the market.

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