



DENTSPLY
RESEARCH FUND

DENTSPLY Australia and New Zealand Research Fund

DENTSPLY has a long-standing record in supporting dental research throughout the world. This extends from an undergraduate level via the Student Clinician Program to providing support to the International Association for Dental Research.

The Student Clinician Program initially started with DENTSPLY International working with the American Dental Association and universities in 1959. This program has grown and extended to involve universities and dental associations across six continents. The Student Clinician Program began in Australia and New Zealand in 1982.

DENTSPLY Australia and New Zealand has set up a “Research Fund” to support research at a postgraduate level.

DENTSPLY recognises the importance of research and the impact that this has on clinical outcomes.

Aim

The DENTSPLY Research Fund is intended to support and stimulate dental research at the postgraduate level within Australia and New Zealand in order to:

- recognise outstanding and innovative research in clinical dentistry for the improvement of clinical outcomes
- recognise applied research achievements for improvement and development of oral care products for the prevention of oral diseases

Eligibility

The grant from the DENTSPLY Research Fund is open to:

- postgraduate students, including dentists and dental auxiliaries, enrolled in a higher degree
- university academics enrolled in a higher research degree
- visiting researchers

Application Process

Complete the application form that is available from the DENTSPLY website:

www.dentsply.com.au

Please submit three signed copies to the address below prior to the close of business on the last Friday of April. Late applications will not be considered.

DENTSPLY Research Fund
c/- Clinical Education Manager
11-21 Gilby Road
Mt Waverley
Victoria 3149

The grant could cover, but not be limited to, expenses such as:

- Materials and consumables
- Administration costs
- Travel for presentation to an agreed conference
- Poster development
- Imaging costs e.g. use of SEM
- Audiovisual materials
- Publishing costs

The applications will be judged by an Advisory Panel, appointed by DENTSPLY, and will be based on perceived merit, feasibility and relevance to clinical dentistry. The successful applicant will be notified by the end of May. Final decision of the successful applications is held with DENTSPLY Australia. Every effort will be made to manage any conflict of interest with members of the judging panel.

Each grant is available for a one year period and has a maximum value of \$3000 and/or product support up to the government retail value of \$1,000. Further funding for that same research will require another application. There is to be one grant application per person.

Ethics approval must be attained, if appropriate, as required by the applicant's University.

Review Guidelines

Each application will be reviewed by members of the Advisory Panel and will be judged on the following criteria:

- relevance to restorative/preventive dentistry
- originality and vision of the proposed study
- clarity and appropriateness of the stated hypothesis
- perceived feasibility of the objectives
- appropriateness of the proposed materials and methods
- appropriateness of the budget requested
- feasibility of the proposed time schedule
- relevance to DENTSPLY

All applications will be confidential to DENTSPLY and the Advisory Panel. Comments made by the judging panel may be released to the applicant on request.

Successful Applicant obligations

The recipient will be required to:

- speak/present a poster at an agreed conference.
- provide DENTSPLY with a copy of the final research report/publication.
- publish the research, if appropriate, with acknowledgement of DENTSPLY support.

Please go to the DENTSPLY website for the application form

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