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2011 George C Paffenbarger Student Research Award Request for Applications – Deadline Jan 13, 2011

The ADA Foundation announces that it is accepting applications for the George C Paffenbarger Student Research Award, available in collaboration with the Academy of Operative Dentistry for 2011. This student research award honors George C Paffenbarger, an internationally recognized authority on dental materials and a pioneer in the development of specifications and standards for testing materials. The ADA Foundation's Paffenbarger Research Center is named in his honor.

The Award is open to dental students at all levels who wish to undertake novel research relevant to contemporary operative dentistry.

The application should take the form of a **protocol** outlining the background, aims and hypothesis of the proposed research, the methodology to be employed, and the anticipated work on the clinical practice of operative dentistry. The protocol should not exceed 3 typewritten pages and a **budget** sheet, including details for payment of the award. The budget for the proposed research may not exceed \$6,000.

The recipient of the award will be required to present a table clinic reporting the findings of the research supported by the Award at the 2012 annual meeting of the Academy of Operative Dentistry, which will be held in Chicago, 26-28 February, 2012. Additional funds not to exceed \$1,000 will be made available to offset the cost of attending the meeting.

A research mentor, who is a member of the Academy of Operative Dentistry, should be named and serve as a co-signatory to the application. If the research supported by the Award leads to a research report intended for publication, it is expected that the report will be first submitted to Operative Dentistry.

Applications for the award must be submitted electronically to Dr Tilly Peters (mcpete@umich.edu), chair of the Research Committee of the Academy of Operative Dentistry, **no later than January 13, 2011**. Final selection of the award will be made by the Scientific Research Committee of the ADA Foundation.

The application packet should consist of the following documents (font Arial, 11 pt, 1.5 lines-spaced), all combined into **ONE pdf-file**, containing:

- cover letter (applicant)
- support letter (research mentor)
- research protocol (max 3 pages, including abstract (max 250 words), introduction and hypothesis, specific aims and workplan)
- budget sheet (max 1 page, including payment details)
- references (max 1/2 page),
- CV of applicant (max 1 page)

Applications not strictly following the requested format will be returned without consideration.

The Award recipient will be notified in early April 2011, and announced in the Journal of Operative Dentistry and on the websites of the ADA Foundation and the Academy of Operative Dentistry.