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## **IADR Research in Prosthodontics and Implants Award Presented to Lyndon Cooper**

**Alexandria, Va.** – Dr. Lyndon Cooper, from the University of North Carolina (UNC), Chapel Hill, USA, is the 2009 recipient of the Research in Prosthodontics and Implants Award, to be presented at the International Association for Dental Research (IADR) 87<sup>th</sup> General Session & Exhibition in Miami, Florida, USA, on April 1, 2009.

Dr. Cooper is professor and chair of the Department of Prosthodontics, UNC, School of Dentistry, and a member of the Department of Biochemistry and Biophysics in the UNC School of Medicine. He is the director of the UNC Bone Biology and Implant Therapy Laboratory, and director of the graduate prosthodontics program.

Dr. Cooper received his D.D.S. degree in 1983 from the New York University, USA, and his Ph.D. from the University of Rochester, New York, USA. In 1990, he received his prosthodontics certificate from Eastman Dental Center, Rochester, New York, USA. Afterward, he completed a two-year research fellowship at the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research in Bethesda, Maryland, USA.

The recipient of university, corporate and National Institutes of Health funding, Dr. Cooper and his colleagues continue to investigate the cellular basis of bone formation. His current clinical interests focus on the development of cell-based tissue engineering for clinical bone formation and the immediate loading of dental implants. He has made substantial contributions to the literature in the dental and craniofacial research field. In addition, Dr. Cooper has been a strong advocate of promoting scientific research education for prosthodontics residents in the USA.

The Research in Prosthodontics and Implants Award is generously supported by Astra Tech, Inc. and is one of the 16 IADR Distinguished Scientist Awards and one of the highest honors bestowed by IADR. This award consists of a monetary prize and plaque and gives recognition to outstanding research accomplishments in the field of Prosthodontics. It was expanded in 1990 to include Implantology.

### **About the International Association for Dental Research**

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