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IADR and AADOCR Announce Recipients of the 2026 IADR/AADOCR William J. Gies Award

Alexandria, VA, USA – The International Association for Dental, Oral, and Craniofacial Research (IADR) and the American Association for Dental, Oral, and Craniofacial Research (AADOCR) have announced the 2026 recipients of the IADR/AADOCR William J. Gies Award. The recipients were recognized during the Opening Ceremonies of the 104th General Session of the IADR, which was held in conjunction with the 55th Annual Meeting of the AADOCR and the 50th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Association for Dental Research on March 25-28, 2026 in San Diego, CA, USA.

The recipients are:

- **Biological Research Category**
Aggregatibacteraphrophilus T6SS Effectors in Host–Bacterial Interactions
K. Bao, J. Oscarsson, P. Gehring, J. Grossmann, G.N. Belibasakis, N. Bostanci.
J Dent Res 104(13):1487-1494
- **Biomaterials & Bioengineering Category**
Engineered 3D Periodontal Ligament Model with Magnetic Tensile Loading
P. Mulimani, N.A. Mazzawi, A.J. Goldstein, et al.
J Dent Res 103(10):1008-1016
- **Clinical Research Category**
Distinctive Amelogenesis Imperfecta in Loeys–Dietz Syndrome Type II
O. Duverger, S.K. Wang, Q.N. Liu, et al.
J Dent Res 104(8):840-850

The award is named after William J. Gies, the founder of the *Journal of Dental Research*. It is given for the best paper published in the *Journal of Dental Research* during the preceding year. Supported by J. Morita Corporation, the award consists of a \$1,000 prize and a commemorative plaque.

About IADR/AADOCR

The International Association for Dental, Oral, and Craniofacial Research (IADR) is a nonprofit organization with a mission to drive dental, oral, and craniofacial research for health and well-being worldwide. IADR represents the individual scientists, clinician-

scientists, dental professionals, and students based in academic, government, non-profit, and private-sector institutions who share our mission. The American Association for Dental, Oral, and Craniofacial Research (AADOCR) is the largest division of IADR. Learn more at www.iadr.org.