



## 2016 SCAD VITA Awards for Excellence in Research Related to Color and Appearance in Esthetic Dentistry

Boston, NC October 10, 2015

Dear Colleagues:

The Society for Color and Appearance in Dentistry (SCAD, [www.scadent.org](http://www.scadent.org)) has established the VITA Award for Excellence in Research Related to Color and Appearance in Esthetic Dentistry (SCAD VITA Award) to acknowledge the successful professional collaboration with and the long-term support of VITA Zahnfabrik. The purpose of the SCAD VITA Award is to promote meaningful research related to color and appearance in esthetic dentistry.

**Application Process:** Applicants are required to submit an application and abstract following the instructions provided at the SCAD website by August 5, 2016. SCAD VITA Award Committee will review the applications based on perceived merit, feasibility, and relevance, and send acceptance/rejection notice to all applicants. All applicants must preregister and attend the annual meeting. The awardees will be announced at the meeting.

**Award:** Each recipient will receive a \$1,500 stipend at the annual meeting.

**Eligibility:** Three categories of applicants are eligible for the awards: pre-doctoral students, graduate students, and non-tenured junior faculty (< 5 years) at the instructor or assistant professor levels. Only one award per category will be given annually, and only one award per recipient can be received (previous recipients are not eligible).

**Scope of Research:** The focus of the research must be within the scope of color and appearance esthetic dentistry. The SCAD Executive Board has the right and responsibility of verifying the appropriateness of the submitted abstracts.

**Awardees' Obligation:** In return for having been awarded an SCAD VITA Award, recipients must agree to present their research in a poster session of the SCAD annual meeting. Any manuscript generated from this research must be submitted to the Journal of Esthetic Dentistry issues on color and appearance, to be considered for publication. Proper acknowledgment of the support provided from the Society for Color and Appearance in Dentistry VITA Award must be cited in the presentation and subsequent publication/s.

**Review Guidelines:** Each abstract will be reviewed by members of the Executive Board (or approved *ad hoc* reviewers, depending on subject) and will be judged and scored based on the following criteria:

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| 1. Relevance to color and appearance in esthetic dentistry | 25 points        |
| 2. Appropriateness of materials and methods used           | 25 points        |
| 3. Originality and vision                                  | 25 points        |
| 4. Potential for generating new information or concepts    | <u>25 points</u> |

**Total Possible Score: 100 points**

Every effort will be made to avoid conflicts of interest. Members of the Executive Board will not be allowed to review or vote on applications submitted by faculty or students from their institution (employee or graduate thereof).

Regarding confidentiality, all materials distributed to the Executive Board members (or *ad hoc* reviewers) will be held in strict confidence. Moreover, all deliberations, comments, recommendations, or results of the selection process will be held in confidence by the reviewers until the official announcement has been made and the award recipients have been notified.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

**Dan Nathanson, DMD, MSD**

President, Society for Color and Appearance in Dentistry

**Important Dates:**

Abstract Submission Deadline (via Email)	Aug 5, 2016
Abstract Notifications Emailed to Presenters	Aug 12, 2016
All applicants, mandatory preregistration for the annual meeting	Aug 20, 2016
SCAD annual meeting	Sep 15-17, 2016

Please provide the following information and submit this page with your abstract:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School of Dentistry: \_\_\_\_\_

Campus Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No.: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-doctoral Student (please circle): **Yes** **No**

Year in Pre-doctoral Program (please circle): 1 2 3 4 5 6

Graduate Student (please circle): **Yes** **No**

Year in Graduate Program (please circle): 1 2 3 4 5 Post-doc

Faculty Member (please circle): **Yes** **No**

Department: \_\_\_\_\_ Academic Rank/Tenure: \_\_\_\_\_

Year as faculty (please circle): 1 2 3 4 5

Will this study involve the use of human subjects? **Yes** **No**

If yes, please provide documentation of approval from the appropriate *Institutional Review Board (IRB)* or *Human Subjects Committee* with the application.

Will this study involve the use of animal subjects? **Yes** **No**

If yes, please provide documentation of approval from the appropriate *Institutional Review Board (IRB)* or *Animal Subjects Committee* with the application.

Will this study involve the use of hazardous materials? **Yes** **No**

If yes, please provide documentation of approval from the appropriate *Human Safety and Environmental Health Committee (or equivalent)* with the application.

By my signature, I affirm that I understand the provisions and obligations of the SCAD VITA Award for Excellence in Research Related to Color and Appearance in Esthetic Dentistry and hereby acknowledge that the study described herein will be conducted by me.

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Signature of Applicant

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Date