The International Team for Implantology (ITI), a leading academic organization dedicated to the promotion of evidence-based education and research in the field of implant dentistry, is inviting submissions for the highly regarded André Schroeder Research Prize as of February 1, 2012.

The André Schroeder Research Prize, which carries a cash endowment of CHF 20,000, is one of the most prestigious awards in implant dentistry today. It is awarded to independent researchers for their contribution to the advancement of research and development in implant dentistry. In this way the ITI promotes and supports the dissemination of new scientific findings in implant dentistry, oral tissue regeneration and related fields. The annual award is adjudicated by the ITI Research Committee that is made up of international specialists in implant dentistry and related fields. In 2012, it will be presented at the ITI Congress Canada which will take place from September 21–22 in Toronto.

The award was established 20 years ago and is dedicated to the late Professor André Schroeder (1918–2004), the founding ITI President, who pioneered implant dentistry and whose lifework contributed significantly to the course of modern implant dentistry. Last year’s winner was Dr Nikola Saulacic from the University of Bern, Switzerland, for his experimental study on "Bone Apposition to a Titanium-Zirconium Alloy Implant Surface".

Researchers who can demonstrate new findings in implant dentistry and related fields are invited to apply for the 2012 André Schroeder Research Prize. The application form can be downloaded from the ITI website as of February 1, 2012. The deadline for manuscript submission is April 15, 2012. More information about the André Schroeder Prize as well as the terms and conditions of participation are available at the ITI website www.iti.org.