

DGAO Research Award

The German Society for Aligner Orthodontics e.V. (DGAO) awards a research award every two years to the amount of 30,000 Euros in total for scientific studies/research projects in the field of aligner orthodontics. The award winners will be announced during the scientific congress of the DGAO. Wherever male nouns are used in the following, the content applies equally to the female gender.

1. The DGAO research award is awarded for unpublished scientific research projects in the field of aligner orthodontics.
2. The research project must be the intellectual property of the applicant(s).
3. Approval of the responsible ethics committee must be substantiated for each research project.
4. If a research group receives the research award, it is awarded in equal amounts to all group members, and all group members receive a sponsorship certificate. The group decides which individual is responsible for the use of the sponsorship funds.
5. The sponsorship funds are to be used exclusively for the submitted research project.
6. All award winners are obliged to publish the results of their research project. This can take the form of a poster, scientific paper or lecture, but must be proven in every case. The DGAO is to be mentioned as sponsor without exception. A reference to the respective publication will appear on the Internet website.
7. Patent or design protection rights remain with the award winner/award winner group in any case.
8. All applications must be submitted strictly anonymously in German or English, but with a code, to the DGAO offices (German Association for Aligner Orthodontics e.V., Lindenspürstr. 29C, 70176 Stuttgart). Each application must be accompanied by a sealed envelope with the code containing the applicant's contact details.
9. The form of the application should correspond to that of a scientific publication and should not be longer than 5 DIN-A 4 pages, 1 ½ line space, font size 12 points.
10. The closing date for applications is 30 March of the year in which a scientific congress for Aligner Orthodontics takes place.
11. The award committee consists of three external specialists, who irrefutably make their decisions to the best of their knowledge and belief.
12. Should none of the submitted research projects meet the general usual scientific quality criteria, then no award will be made.