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BALTIMORE –The American College of Prosthodontists presents the Dan Gordon Award to Dr. Harold Litvak during the ACP 42nd Annual Session in Baltimore, MD. This award recognizes lifetime achievement. Presented to individuals (ACP members) contributing at the highest level to the welfare and advancement of the College and Prosthodontics, Dr. Litvak is honored for his outstanding contributions to dentistry; his exceptional service to the College; and his advancements to the sciences or health professions.

In his career, Dr. Daniel F. Gordon was a private practitioner and educator at USC after serving in the U.S. Army during WWII in Europe and North Africa. Over his career he was President of the Orange County Dental Society, California Dental Association, American College of Prosthodontists and the Pacific Coast Society of Prosthodontists. Dr. Gordon was also a

Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, Fellow of the American College of Dentists, the International College of Dentists and the Academy of Denture Prosthetics.

This year's recipient, Dr. Litvak, received his D.M.D. from Tufts University in 1962, and his M.S.D. from New York University College of Dentistry in 1969. Dr. Litvak became a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics in 1972. He is a Life Fellow and Past President of the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics, Fellow and Past President of the Northeastern Gnathological Society, Fellow of the Academy of Prosthodontics and a Life Fellow of the American College of Prosthodontists and Omicron Kappa Upsilon. He is also a member of the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics, Academy of Osseointegration, and Life member of the American Equilibration Society. Dr. Litvak is a Clinical Professor with 40 years of service and former Director of the Occlusion section in Advanced Education in Prosthodontics at New York University.

Dr. Litvak will receive his award at this year's 42nd Annual Session being held on Oct. 31-Nov. 3 in Baltimore, MD. More than 1,000 dental professionals are expected to attend, which includes prosthodontists, dental technicians, other dental industry authorities and guests. Annual Session topics include: new developments in CAD/CAM technology and high-strength ceramics; creating affordable dental health opportunities; understanding the shift toward precision medicine in dentistry; the use of digital imaging; sleep apnea management; the role of clinical psychology in prosthodontic practice; recreating nature: the harmony of function and esthetics with digital technology; and a proactive team approach to avoid pitfalls with the cost-effective all-on-4 concept.

Prosthodontists are specialized dentists with advanced training in oral health issues, who are committed to improving patient results. From implants, crowns, veneers and tooth whitening, to full-mouth reconstruction, prosthodontists are specialists in digital dentistry and CAD/CAM solutions. The ACP is the only prosthodontic specialty organization whose membership is based solely on education credentials. ACP members must be in or have completed an ADA-accredited advanced education program in prosthodontics.

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implants, crowns, veneers, dentures, and teeth whitening. For more information or to find a prosthodontist near you, visit <u>GoToAPro.org</u>.