

CONTACT: Carolyn Barth media@prosthodontics.org 312.573.1260, ext. 8791 GoToAPro.org



BALTIMORE—The American College of Prosthodontists will present the 2012 ACP President's Award to Dr. Roy T. Yanase. This award is presented to individuals contributing through outstanding vision and leadership to the welfare and advancement of the College or prosthodontics; with outstanding contributions to academic dentistry, the sciences, or health professions.

Dr. Yanase is a Diplomate and Past President of the American Board of Prosthodontics. Over the past 35 years, he has authored and lectured internationally on the long-term treatment of patients in the specialty and discipline of Prosthodontics and Implant Dentistry. Dr. Yanase has been an active member of the ACP and has served on the Board and committees beginning with the Peer Review Committee in California in 1981.

After earning Board Certification as a Prosthodontist in 1981, he was nominated as an examiner in 2001, and served as its president in 2009. He has appointments as a Clinical Professor of Continuing Professional Education, Advanced Prosthodontic Education, and Director of the Odontic Seminar at the Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC. He founded the Osseointegration Study Club of Southern California (1985) and the Osseointegration Study Club of Japan (2001). Dr. Yanase contributes to clinical dentistry, leads a private practice limited to prosthodontics, and recruits and mentors many dentists, hygienists, dental laboratory technicians, and dental specialists, including prosthodontists.

Dr. Yanase will accept his award at the Annual Awards & President's Dinner during the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Session held in Baltimore on Oct. 31 to Nov. 3. More than 1,000 ACP members are expected to attend, which include prosthodontists, dental technicians and other dental industry professionals and guests. Annual Session topics include: new developments in CAD/CAM technology and high-strength ceramics; creating affordable dental health opportunities; preventing disease in the preservation of peri-implant tissues, understanding the shift toward precision medicine in dentistry; the use of digital imaging; managing of sleep apnea; 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.

###

The American College of Prosthodontists is the professional association of dentists with advanced specialty training dedicated to optimal oral health both in function and appearance including dental implants, crowns, veneers, dentures, and teeth whitening. For more information or to find a prosthodontist near you, visit <u>GoToAPro.org</u>.