

In early 1994, the AAO Foundation received a gift from the estate of the late Dr. Earl Shepard, thanks to the efforts of Dr. William Schwartz, an AAO member, and his brother, Mr. Robert Schwartz, members of the family and co-executors of Dr. Shepard's estate. The Foundation Board honored the family's request that there be established in perpetuity, the Willie and Earl Shepard Memorial Fellowship Award. The funds necessary for this include the bequest noted above, a gift received previously from the American Board of Orthodontics and a gift from Dr. Shepard's family so that the total exceeded \$125,000. In addition to the Shepard Fellowship, the Board determined that one more Fellowship Award and eight Biomedical Research Awards might also be named by having one or more persons pledging at the Regent level (\$25,000) or higher, combine their pledges to create an aggregate of a minimum of \$125,000. Drs. Eugene Blair, William DeKock, James Gjerset, T. M. Graber and George Kottemann combined their pledges and named the first Biomedical Research Award, B. F. Dewel Memorial Research Award.

More recently, the Board revised the policy as follows: To name an award, pledge an aggregate of \$250,000 for the Biomedical Research Award (BRA).

Named Awards Listing

Biomedical Research Awards

B.F. Dewel Memorial Biomedical Research Award*
Robert L. Boyd Biomedical Research Award
Robert James Bray Biomedical Research Award
Burstone-Indiana Biomechanics Award**
The Fred and Dianne Garrett Biomedical Research Award
Graber Family Biomedical Research and Teaching Award***
Fred F. Schudy Memorial Research Award
Five naming opportunities available

Orthodontic Faculty Development Fellowship Awards

Willie and Earl Shepard Fellowship Award*
Robert E. Binder Teaching Fellowship Award
Robert E. Gaylord Teaching Fellowship Award
Anthony A. Gianelly Teaching Fellowship Award
Graber Family Teaching and Research Award
T.M. Graber Teaching Fellowship Award
Michael Matlof Memorial Teaching Fellowship Award
Robert M. Ricketts Sunflower Orthodontics Fellowship Award
Subtelny, Baker, Eastman Teaching Fellowship Award
Orhan C. Tuncay Teaching Fellowship Award
Eugene E. West Memorial Fellowship Award
Albert P. Westfall Memorial Teaching Fellowship Award
James A. McNamara Orthodontic Faculty Fellowship Award
James L. Vaden Teaching Fellowship Award

Post-doctoral Fellowship Award

Martin "Bud" Schulman Post-doctoral Fellowship Award

Center Awards

3M Unitek Corporate Center Award
Align Technologies, Inc. Corporate Center Award
American Orthodontics Corporate Center Award
GAC International Corporate Center Award
Ormco/ "A" Company Corporate Center Award
TP Orthodontics Corporate Center Award

Closed

Research Aid Award

Charles J. Burstone Research Aid Award

***Awarded to the most outstanding application within the category**

**** Successful applicant of the award each year designated as a Burstone Fellow in Biomechanics**

*****A preference for Junior Faculty**