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Press information

## **Astra Tech World Congress Attracts Top Dental Experts**

Thousands of delegates from 23 countries are expected to attend the second Astra Tech World Congress, held June 4-7 at the newly opened Gaylord National Resort & Conference Center in Washington, DC.

“We are delighted that this year’s event will enable more than 130 of the world’s most respected dental professionals and researchers to present their latest findings in the field of implant dentistry,” says Peter Selley, President & CEO of Astra Tech AB.

Highlights of the scientific program will include the use of digital technology and CAD/CAM techniques in support of implant therapy, a focus on the prevention and management of complications, and the value of long-term follow-up research.

“The Scientific Committee has developed a highly interesting and diverse program for both scientists and dental professionals. Clinical research is very much about making new observations. It is important that new information and experiences are shared with colleagues,” says Jan Lindhe, Professor of Periodontology at The Sahlgrenska Academy, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, and chairman of the Scientific Committee.

A new feature at this year’s conference will be a session for the auxiliary team members. Leading educators and clinicians will examine the various roles required in the growth of a successful implant practice that delivers the best patient outcomes.

Astra Tech has developed and scientifically documented its dental implant system for over 20 years. To further support research, Astra Tech has also established The Astra Tech Scientific Award for Applied Research in Osseointegration.

A \$15,000 prize will be presented at the congress to the candidate selected by the independent Scientific Award Committee led by Tomas Albrektsson, Professor of Biomaterial Research at The Sahlgrenska Academy, University of Gothenburg, Sweden.

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*Astra Tech AB, a subsidiary of the AstraZeneca group, develops, manufactures, markets dental implants and advanced disposable products for use within healthcare. The company develops products that enhance treatment results, simplify work for healthcare professionals and help cut healthcare costs.*

*In 2007, Astra Tech acquired the US company Atlantis Components, Inc. The acquisition gave Astra Tech access to the latest CAD/CAM technology for individually fabricated abutments based on each patient's individual needs.*

*Astra Tech's headquarters and production facilities are located in Mölndal, near Gothenburg, Sweden. The company operates globally through 16 subsidiaries and selected local partners. In North America, it is represented by Astra Tech Inc., 890 Winter Street, Waltham, MA 02451. Phone: 781-890-6800.*