Align Technology is a publicly traded medical device company engaged in the design, manufacture and marketing of the Invisalign® system, the world's leading invisible orthodontic product, and the iTero® Intraoral scanning systems and services. Align Technology went public on the NASDAQ market under the trading symbol ALGN in January 2001.

Align Technology Ongoing Support of Orthodontic and Dental Research

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2019 Grant Application Process Now Open for up to \$300,000 in Funding

SAN JOSE, Calif., Nov. 15, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Align Technology, Inc. (NASDAQ: ALGN) today announced the opening of its 2019 Research Award Program to support clinical and scientific dental research in universities across the globe. This year, up to \$300,000 will be awarded to university faculty for scientific and technological research initiatives to advance patient care in the fields of orthodontics and dentistry.

"Through our Research Award Program, Align Technology has funded approximately \$2 million in research awards since its inception in 2010 providing insights which include intra-oral scanning and patient experience, quality of life changes, as well as insights into the biochemical markers of bone metabolism during early orthodontic tooth movement with clear aligners. "We are committed to enabling research in orthodontics and dentistry with a goal to improve orthodontic and dental treatment for communities around the globe," said Zelko Relic, Align Technology vice president research and development.

Awards available for 2019 are four one-year awards of up to \$25,000 each for dental research at universities in the America's (includes Canada, Latin America and South America), four one-year awards of up to \$25,000 each for dental research at universities in EMEA, and four one-year awards of up to \$25,000 each for dental research at universities in APAC.

Eligible applicants for the dental research award component include full- and part-time faculty involved in dental or scientific research at universities at which Invisalign® treatment is available. All applications are reviewed by an independent academic committee that forwards its recommendations to Align Technology for final selection. Program details, instructions, and application forms for prospective applicants can be found at https://learn.invisalign.com/internationalresearch (for EMEA and APAC applicants). Research proposals and completed applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time on March 1, 2019. Award recipients will be notified by June 3, 2019.

About Align Technology, Inc.

Align Technology designs and manufactures the Invisalign® system, the most advanced clear aligner system in the world, and iTero® intraoral scanners and services. Align's products help dental professionals achieve the clinical results they expect and deliver effective, cutting-edge dental options to their patients. Visit www.aligntech.com for more information.

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