Align Technology Recognized for the Fifth Consecutive Year as a LexisNexis Top 100 Global Innovator, Earning “Five-Year Top 100 Global Innovator” Distinction

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TEMPE, Ariz.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Apr. 15, 2026-- Align Technology, Inc. (Nasdaq: ALGN), a leading global medical device company that designs, manufactures, and sells the Invisalign® System of clear aligners, iTero™ intraoral scanners, and exocad™ CAD/CAM software for digital orthodontics and restorative dentistry, today announced that Align has again been recognized, for the fifth consecutive year, as a Top 100 Global Innovator in the 2026 LexisNexis Innovation Momentum report.

Align’s continued investment in innovation is reflected in the growing strength and impact of its global patent portfolio, reinforcing its leadership in digital dentistry. This year, Align earned the distinction of being named a “Five-Year Top 100 Global Innovator,” placing it among an elite group of 41 companies worldwide with five consecutive years of recognition.

“Being recognized as a Top 100 Global Innovator in the LexisNexis Innovation Momentum 2026 report, and now as a five-year honoree, underscores the depth of Align’s innovation engine and the extraordinary work of our global R&D teams,” said Julie Coletti, Align Technology executive vice president, Chief Legal and Regulatory Officer. “This milestone reflects the strength of our technology pipeline and our purpose to transform smiles and change lives by empowering doctors with technologies that advance digital dentistry and elevate Invisalign treatment experiences for their patients.”

Align’s growing patent portfolio reflects its continued investments in research and development across key innovation areas including:

- AI-driven treatment planning, including dynamic real-time planning, and adaptive solutions for delivering more predictable outcomes.
- Advancements in direct 3D printing innovations, supported by proprietary fabrication processes that enhance device functionality, design flexibility, and scalability for next-generation orthodontic devices.
- Digital and multimodal diagnostics that enable earlier detection and support more integrated clinical workflows.
- AI-powered ortho-restorative design solutions that automate and streamline the scan-to-treatment pathway.

This recognition builds on the continued evolution of the Align™ Digital Platform, which integrates AI-driven diagnostic aids, real-time treatment planning, advanced imaging, and seamless lab collaboration. With a global portfolio of more than 3,000 active patents and patent applications, Align continues to invest in protecting and expanding the innovations that underpin the Invisalign System, iTero scanners, exocad CAD/CAM software, and the broader Align Digital Platform.

About the Methodology

The LexisNexis Innovation Momentum 2026 analysis evaluated more than 17 million global patent families to identify organizations driving global innovation. The ranking is based on the LexisNexis Patent Asset Index, which measures the strength, quality, and influence of a company’s patent portfolio. The report highlights companies with exceptional two-year momentum in patent portfolio performance, identifying the Top 100 Global Innovators shaping the future of technology and industry.

About Align Technology, Inc.

Align Technology designs and manufactures the Invisalign® System, the most advanced clear aligner system in the world, iTero™ intraoral scanners and services, and exocad™ CAD/CAM software. These technology building blocks enable enhanced digital orthodontic and restorative workflows to improve patient outcomes and practice efficiencies for approximately 295.6 thousand doctor customers and are key to accessing Align’s 600 million consumer market opportunity worldwide. Over the past 29 years, Align has helped doctors treat approximately 22.1 million patients with the Invisalign System and is driving the evolution in digital dentistry through the Align™ Digital Platform, our integrated suite of unique, proprietary technologies and services delivered as a seamless, end-to-end solution for patients and consumers, orthodontists and GP dentists, and lab/partners. Visit www.aligntech.com for more information.

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