

Press Release

Nomination of SmartTech Laser for the Berthold Leibinger Innovationspreis 2012

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The new SmartTech laser from SCHWIND eye-tech-solutions was recently nominated for the Berthold Leibinger Innovationspreis 2012. Die jurors named the innovative laser system, which creates LASIK flaps on the basis of nanosecond technology, as prize-deserving development work in applied laser technology. The UV microchip laser technology was developed by SCHWIND in close cooperation with the Institute for Biomedical Optics in Lübeck, Germany. „We are proud that the jurors have recognized the high innovative power of our new technology with this distinction“, says Rolf SCHWIND, CEO.

The Berthold Leibinger Innovationspreis honors scientists and developers who make advancements in the field of laser technology. Since 2000, the Berthold Leibinger Stiftung has presented the award every two years for excellent research and development work on the application or generation of laser light. It is one of the highest remunerated international innovation prizes for laser technology. The jury is made up of respected experts from science and industry. In 2012, the jury nominated the best and most deserving work in the field among 20 applications and recommendations from Europe, Asia and North America.

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From left to right: Prof. Dr. Alfred Vogel, Director Institute of Biomedical Optics, Prof. Dr.-Ing Berthold Leibinger, founder of the Berthold Leibinger Stiftung as well as chairman of the advisory board of the Trumpf group, and Rolf Schwind, CEO of SCHWIND eye-tech-solutions GmbH & Co.KG at the presentation of the nomination distinction.