

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2009 SMJ BEST RESEARCH PAPER AWARD WINNERS

On behalf of the Singapore Medical Association (SMA), the Singapore Medical Journal (SMJ) is pleased to announce the following recipients of the 2009 SMJ best research paper awards:

First Prize

Singapore's burden of disease and injury 2004

Authors: Phua HP, Chua A VL, Ma S, Heng D, Chew SK

Published in: Singapore Med J 2009; 50:468-478

Second Prize

Is noninvasive pressure support ventilation as effective and safe as continuous positive airway pressure in cardiogenic pulmonary oedema?

Authors: Agarwal R, Aggarwal AN, Gupta D

Published in: Singapore Med J 2009; 50:595-603

Third Prize

Technique and early results of ultrasound-guided foam sclerotherapy of the long saphenous vein for treatment of varicose veins

Authors: Tan VKM, Tan SG

Published in: Singapore Med J 2009; 50:284-287

The award winners received a cash prize, commemorative trophy and a certificate, which were presented at the SMA annual dinner held at The Shangri-La Hotel on May 8, 2010.

All 147 original articles published in the January to December 2009 issues (volume 50, issues 1–12) of the SMJ were eligible for consideration for this award. The following criteria were adopted by the judging panel in determining the winning articles:

- the paper with the most potential impact on clinical practice,
- the paper with the most rigorous study design/research methodologies,
- the paper with comprehensive data analysis and balanced discussion, and
- the quality of the data interpretation

We thank the distinguished panel of judges for their diligent and conscientious efforts:

Professor Chee Yam Cheng, Professor Wilfred Peh, Clinical Professor C Rajasoorya

The following Editorial Board members performed the initial evaluation of original articles:

January–June articles: Dr Ang Tiing Leong, Dr Tan Mann Hong, Dr Tan Puay Hoon

June–December articles: Dr Ho Gay Hui, A/Prof Poh Kian Keong, Dr Gervais Wansaicheong

Announcements for the 2010 SMJ best research paper award are published in the 2010 January to August issues of the journal. Please submit your best papers, as the journal depends on articles of high quality.

Associate Professor Teo Eng Kiong

Editor

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