

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2006 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 2006 SMJ best research paper awards:

First prize

Immunogenicity and reactogenicity of a reduced-antigen-content diphtheria-tetanus-acellular pertussis vaccine as a single-dose booster in Singaporean adults

Authors: Chan S H, Tan P T N, Han H H, Bock H L

Published in: Singapore Med J 2006; 47: 286-290

Second prize

Early experiences with diffusion tensor imaging and magnetic resonance tractography in stroke patients

Authors: Parmar H, Golay X, Lee K E, Hui F, Sitoh Y Y

Published in: Singapore Med J 2006; 47:198-203

Third prize

Predictors of failed closure of patent ductus arteriosus with indomethacin

Authors: Boo N Y, Dr Mohd-Amin I, Bilkis A A, Yong-Junina F

Published in: Singapore Med J 2006; 47:763-768

The award winners received a cash prize, commemorative trophy and a certificate, which were presented at the SMA annual dinner held at the Raffles Town Club on May 13, 2007.

All 113 original articles published in the January to December 2006 issues (volume 47, 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 Lee Eng Hin

Professor Ong Yong Yau

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

January–June articles: Dr Ho Gay Hui, Dr Kevin SW Tan, Dr Teo Eng Kiong

July–December articles: A/Prof Lynne HY Lim, Dr Kon Yin Chian, Dr Wong Moh Sim

Announcements for the 2007 SMJ best research paper award were published in the January to June issues of the journal. Please submit your best papers. Our journal depends on articles of high quality.

Professor Wilfred C G Peh

Editor

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