

Congratulations to the 2016 SMJ Best Research Paper Award Winners

On behalf of the Singapore Medical Association (SMA), I am pleased to announce the following recipients of the 2016 SMJ Best Research Paper Award:

First Prize

Can venous base excess replace arterial base excess as a marker of early shock and a predictor of survival in trauma?

Wijaya R, Ng JH, Ong L, Wong AS

Singapore Med J 2016; 57(2): 73-76

Second Prize

Limited benefit of hepatitis B immunoglobulin prophylaxis in children of hepatitis B e antigen-negative mothers

Lee LY, Aw MM, Saw S, Rauff M, Tong PY, Lee GH

Singapore Med J 2016; 57(10): 566-569

Third Prize

The effect of chlorhexidine in reducing oral colonisation in geriatric patients: a randomised controlled trial

Sharif-Abdullah SS, Chong MC, Surindar-Kaur SS, Kamaruzzaman SB, Ng KH

Singapore Med J 2016; 57(5): 262-266

The award winners received a commemorative trophy and certificate, which were presented at the SMA Annual Dinner held at The Regent Singapore on May 6, 2017.

The following criteria were adopted by the judging panel in determining the winning articles:

- (1) the paper with the most potential impact on clinical practice;
- (2) the paper with the most rigorous study design/research methodologies;
- (3) the paper with comprehensive data analysis and balanced discussion; and
- (4) the quality of the data interpretation.

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

Initial evaluation:

January to June papers: Dr Chang Haw Chong, A/Prof Samuel Tay Sam Wah, A/Prof Cuthbert Eng Swee Teo

July to December papers: Dr Tan Cher Heng, Dr Tan Li Hoon, Prof Tan Puay Hoon

Final judging:

Prof Wilfred CG Peh, Prof Tan Huay Cheem, Prof Teo Eng Kiong

A/Prof Poh Kian Keong

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