

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2003 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 2003 SMJ best research paper awards:

First prize

Treatment of heart failure – role of biventricular pacing for heart failure not responding well to drug therapy.

Authors: Teo Wee Siong, Ruth Kam, Hsu Li Fern

Published in: Singapore Med J 2003; 44:114-22.

Second prize

Comparison of four point-of-care HbA1c analytical systems against central laboratory analysis.

Author: Robert C Hawkins

Published in: Singapore Med J 2003; 44:8-11.

Third prize

Minimally invasive unicondylar versus total condylar knee arthroplasty – early results of a matched-pair comparison.

Authors: Yang Kuang Ying, Wang Ming Chun, Yeo Seng Jin, Lo Ngai Nung

Published in: Singapore Med J 2003; 44:559-62.

The award winners will receive a cash prize, commemorative trophy and a certificate, to be presented at the SMA annual dinner to be held at the Grand Copthorne Waterfront hotel on 8 May 2004.

All 58 original articles published in the January to December 2003 issues (volume 44, nos. 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 healthcare,
- most rigorous study design/research methodologies,
- comprehensive data analysis and balanced discussion, and
- data interpretation

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

1. Dr Chen Ai Ju
2. Professor Feng Pao Hsii
3. Professor Raj Mohan Nambiar

The first announcement for the 2004 SMJ best research paper award was published in the January 2004 issue 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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