

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2005 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 2005 SMJ best research paper awards:

**First prize**

Knowledge, attitude and practices of childhood injuries and their prevention by primary caregivers in Singapore

*Authors: Thein M M, Lee B W, Bun P Y*

*Published in: Singapore Med J 2005; 46: 122-126.*

**Second prize**

Causes of isolated prolonged activated partial thromboplastin time in an acute general hospital

*Authors: Chng W J, Sum C, Kuperan P*

*Published in: Singapore Med J 2005; 46:450-456.*

**Third prize**

Use of polymerase chain reaction on pooled cervical swabs to detect Chlamydia trachomatis infections in female sex workers in Singapore

*Authors: Tan H H, Chan R K W*

*Published in: Singapore Med J 2005; 46:215-218.*

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 Regent Singapore on May 27, 2006.

All 61 original articles published in the January to December 2005 issues (volume 46, 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 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. Professor Chee Yam Cheng
2. Professor Lee Eng Hin
3. Professor Wilfred CG Peh

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

1. Associate Professor Chow Wan Cheng
2. Associate Professor Ho Nai Kiong
3. Dr Pwee Keng Ho

Announcements for the 2006 SMJ best research paper award were published in the January to April 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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