


CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2012 SMJ BEST RESEARCH PAPER AWARD WINNERS

First Prize

Efficacy of omega-3 fatty acid supplementation on serum levels of tumour necrosis factor- α , C-reactive protein and interleukin-2 in type 2 diabetes mellitus patients by *Malekshahi Moghadam A, Saedisomeolia A, Djalali M, Djazayeri A, Pooya S, Sojoudi F*
Singapore Med J 2012; 53(9): 615–619

Second Prize

Effectiveness of an algorithm in reducing the number of unnecessary ultrasound scans for deep vein thrombosis: an evaluation report by *H'ng M, Loh SS, Earnest A, Wansaicheong G*
Singapore Med J 2012; 53(9): 595–598

Third Prize

Risk scoring system for prediction of contrast-induced nephropathy in patients with pre-existing renal impairment undergoing percutaneous coronary intervention by *Chong E, Shen L, Poh KK, Tan HC*
Singapore Med J 2012; 53(3): 164–169

The award winners received a cash prize, commemorative trophy and certificate presented at the SMA annual dinner held at Sheraton Towers Singapore on May 11, 2013.

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 judging: Dr Chuah Khoon Leong, Dr Tan Cher Heng and Dr Lawrence Lee; A/Prof Poh Kian Keong, A/Prof Cuthbert Teo and Dr Chang Haw Chong **Final judging:** Prof Chee Yam Cheng, Prof Wilfred CG Peh and Prof Tan Eng King

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