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# **2010 Prize for Best Original Research by Trainees**

### Introduction

The Prize for Original Research by Trainees of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine recognizes excellence in research done by doctors who are in specialist training. It is proposed that the prize be awarded annually. However, the Academy shall only award the prize if it considers the research merits such recognition and thus reserves the right not to award the prize in any given year.

## **Category of Prize**

Three categories are proposed: Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals. If a trainee submits more than one paper and obtains more than one prize, he will be awarded the higher prize only. In such an event, the candidate with the next highest score will obtain the "vacated" prize.

## Eligibility

Applicants must be trainees of an Academy College at the time of application. Only the principal investigator of the research can apply. The application must be accompanied by a declaration that the applicant is the principal investigator of the research.

#### **Conditions for Submission**

- 1. The Academy will only accept original researches, which have been approved by an institutional ethics committee where appropriate.
- 2. The Panel of Judges reserves the right to reject any application on grounds that the research was unethical.
- 3. At the time of submission, the research must not already have been published. However, the applicant retains the right to offer it for publication in any domain subsequently.
- 4. The applicant should state the role he/she played in conceptualizing the research, and in the data acquisition and analysis processes.
- 5. Applications in abstract form shall be vetted initially. For shortlisted finalists, a full report on the research will be required. Applicants should notify the Academy if their research has been published at this juncture.
- 6. The abstract must not exceed *300 words* and preferably be in the format of a structured abstract.

#### **Instruction for Submission of Abstracts**

Completed Abstract Form with the abstract must be submitted to the *Hong Kong Academy of* <u>Medicine, 10/F, HKAM Jockey Club Building, 99 Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen, Hong</u> <u>Kong by **31 July 2010** (postmark). Only abstract in English shall be considered.</u>