

Annual Resident Staff Research Award

As part of its encouragement to residents performing research at AUBMC, The RSO organizes yearly a resident research award contest following which three awards are granted to three housestaff residents (meaning fellows, residents, or interns) with the best research publications performed over that same academic year. This is a resident award, and not a publication award, so it is given primarily to residents who have worked most in research over that year and published articles, and not to a single excellent publication. The rules that guide this award contest are the following:

- I- Publications have to be related to the medical field, and published/accepted in a local or international medical journal
- II- Every participant must present his/her publications to RSO before the deadline set by RSO for that year.
- III- Each participant must submit an original copy of the article to RSO as well as 3 copies of it with the authors' names erased. The reviewers therefore will be blinded to the authors of the articles.
- IV- Every participant can present as many personal publications as he/she wants from what they had already published or got accepted within the last academic year. The acceptance letter for the accepted non-published articles must be provided.
- V- The participant has to have sufficient contribution to the published article, i.e. be one of the first three authors cited, the corresponding author, or the last author.
- VI- The grading is done by a committee of three AUBMC staff attending physicians. Each article is graded separately by each of the reviewers, and then given a grade over 100. An average is therefore obtained for each article. The impact factor of the journal is taken into account, as well as the type of publication: original vs case report vs review.
- VII- In case one article was co-authored by two or more residents, the resident who submitted the article to RSO for participation in the research award will get the credit.
- VIII- As previously said, each applicant may submit as many papers as he/she wants if the papers fit participation criteria. However, only the 3 articles with the highest grades will be counted for that resident, and their grades added up.
- IX- The coefficient in grading is attributed as follows:
Case report: 0.5
Original article: 1
Review article: 2
- X- The award will be presented during the RSO Graduation party. The best award that can be offered to a resident working on research is the published work itself. In addition, a small monetary sign of appreciation is also offered by RSO to the first three winners of the award.

Good luck, and keep the good work...