AMERICAN UROLOGICAL ASSOCIATION EDUCATION AND RESEARCH, INC.

2011 AUA/Olympus
Clinical and Laboratory Research
Prize Essay Contests

The American Urological Association Education and Research, Inc., through the generosity of Olympus, offers annual awards for essays on the results of research in urology. Prizes are awarded in both **Clinical and Laboratory Research** categories. The first, second and third place winners in each category will be awarded $1,500, $1,000, and $500, respectively.

DEADLINE:

Essays MUST BE RECEIVED in the AUA Convention and Meetings Department, 1000 Corporate Blvd., Linthicum, MD 21090, Attn: AUA Convention & Meetings Specialist, on or before **November 5, 2010**.

ELIGIBILITY:

Contestants must be current urology residents or have graduated not more than ten years ago from a residency program. Entries winning first prize in AUA Section essay contests may be submitted to the national contest by the respective Section's Secretary. Contestants must submit a copy of their 2011 Abstract with their essay manuscript to the AUA Headquarters Office (see contest rules).

AWARDS (SUPPORTED BY OLYMPUS):

Prizes awarded in both clinical and laboratory research categories are as follows:

FIRST PRIZE	$1,500
SECOND PRIZE	$1,000
THIRD PRIZE	$500

RECOGNITION:

Winning essays will be presented during the 2011 AUA Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., subject to approval of the AUA Program Committee.

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1. **Eligibility.** Contestants are limited to those who have graduated not more than ten years from a residency program exclusive of time served in Armed Forces, and hospital interns or residents doing research in urology whose work shall be sponsored by their mentors, an Active or Senior member of the American Urological Association Education and Research, Inc. Foreign (non-member) physicians are eligible, provided they are sponsored by an Active or Senior member of the American Urological Association Education and Research, Inc.

2. **Content.** The entry is to represent the individual work of the essayist or, if done by a group, the candidate shall state the percentage of the work he/she has personally done and the names of those who have directed or taken part in the study. The subject matter of the essay shall be the result of some clinical or laboratory research, not necessarily animal, in urology.

3. **Format.** The submitted manuscript shall be in proper form for publication in the *Journal of Urology*; detailed case reports, extra pictures and explanations may be included in an appendix. It is recommended that the manuscript be in the form of a paper and not in the form of a doctoral thesis.

4. **Ownership.** Contestants agree that their essays have not been published or submitted for publication to any organization other than the American Urological Association Education and Research, Inc. Winning essays become the property of the American Urological Association Education and Research, Inc., however, publication in the *Journal of Urology* is subject to the decision of its Editorial Board.

5. **Submission Requirements.** The ORIGINAL and FIVE copies of ALL materials (including photographs, charts and drawings, as well as manuscript, bibliography, and tabulated data), and six complete sets of original illustrations (glossy prints) shall be submitted WITH NO INDICATION AS TO THE IDENTITY OF THE AUTHOR OR INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATION on the manuscript or accompanying materials. In the case of an artist's drawings, photographic copies may be submitted instead of the originals. With each copy, the author must affix relevant photographs, charts and drawings. No copies of the manuscript or photos will be returned. Collating will not be carried out by the receiving office. Essays not properly collated will not be considered. **Essays submitted electronically or by facsimile will not be considered.**

   The essayist must also include the following information as a separate item:
   (a) Name of medical school from which he/she graduated, and date when he/she received his/her medical degree.
   (b) Urological training: in what clinic or with what urologist and for how long? (Be specific as to dates, positions held, whether in a hospital or in an outpatient department, etc., name of hospital and location.)
   (c) Length of time in private urological practice. (Please be specific as to dates and location.)
   (d) Social Security number.

6. **Abstract Submission.** All contestants must submit an official abstract via the AUA's on-line abstract submission process and include a copy of the submitted abstract with the Prize Essay manuscript. Please refer to the AUA's website, www.auanet.org, for instructions on submitting an abstract. *Please note: Essays that do not include a copy of the submitted abstract will not be considered.*

7. **Conflict of Interest and Disclosure Statement.** A copy of each author's disclosure **must** be included for **all authors** whose names appear on the manuscript. Essay entries submitted without these forms will be disqualified. Please submit each author's disclosures within the AUA Abstract Submitter site then print a copy of each to accompany your entry. (e.g., if there are five authors listed on the abstract, five printed copies should accompany your entry.) Abstract Submitter Site - http://submissions.miracd.com/aua2011/login.asp

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9. **Selection.** The Prize Essay Committee shall recommend which of the essays shall receive the prizes. The Committee is also privileged to recommend omission of any or all awards if, in its opinion, the essays submitted are not deemed worthy.

10. **Program Placement.** At the discretion of the Program Committee, the winners shall have a place, with special designation, during the concurrent scientific sessions of the Annual Meeting to be held at Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Washington, D.C., May 14-19, 2011.

CONTEST RULES PRINTED HEREIN ARE FINAL.

PLEASE ADDRESS FURTHER INQUIRIES TO:
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Did you remember to include the following?

- State the percentage of work essayist has personally done and the names and percentages of those who have contributed to the paper
- Original and five copies of manuscripts and photos
- Printed copy of abstract from AUA's abstract submitter
- Printed copy of each author's disclosure from AUA website
- Essayist background information (see above)
- Specify which category – **clinical or laboratory** research?