

ATTN: DEPARTMENT CHAIRMEN, TRAINING OFFICERS, CHIEF AND SENIOR RESIDENTS

RE: 23rd RESIDENTS' RESEARCH PAPER CONTEST 2009 and the 4th PAO RESEARCH IDOL CONTEST

Dear Colleague:

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Warmest greetings! This year marks the **23rd anniversary of the Residents' Research Paper Contest (RRPC) and 4th PAO Research Idol Contest**. The PAO Research Committee in its continued endeavor to make the RRPC more interesting and lively will continue to adopt last year's format of "PAO Research Idol" followed format of the popular American show, "American Idol".

General Guidelines

This contest is open to all bonafide residents-in-training of any ophthalmology residency training program duly accredited by the Philippine Board of Ophthalmology. The research paper must have been done during the author's residency in Ophthalmology. The primary (presenting) author must be a resident at the time of presentation, or a recent graduate (not more than 12 months after completion of residency). Papers done by post-residency fellows-in-training, when done as part of the fellowship are not acceptable.

There will be two parts in this years contest:

1. The research paper contest proper.
2. PAO Research Idol contest.

Residents Research Paper Contest:

Qualifying entries will be presented on **2009 PAO Annual Meeting, (Day Zero) November 25, 2009 (Wednesday) from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM at Function Room 1 SMX Convention Center, Pasay City, Metro Manila.**

Deadline for submission of final manuscripts:

- **Basic, Clinical, and Technical/Poster Categories – Final full manuscripts should be submitted on September 26, 2009, Saturday, 12:00 NN at the PAO office.**

There will be no extension of deadlines. As in the past, all the entries will be evaluated by the RRPC judges. The highest ranked papers will be selected for oral presentation on November 25, 2009. The papers that do not qualify will present their study in the free paper session during the PAO Annual Meeting.

Nine (9) copies of the **manuscript** plus one (1) CD of the full manuscript should be submitted. Four (4) copies should bear the names of the authors and institutions; five (5) copies should **NOT** bear the names of the authors & institutions. Six (6) copies of the **abstract** should be submitted. Three (3) copies of the Abstract should bear the names of authors and institutions. Three (3) copies of the Abstract should **NOT** bear the names of authors & institutions. Signed Copyright Transfer to Philippine Journal of Ophthalmology (PJO) should be provided, otherwise advised through writing.

A hard copy CD will be submitted to the Philippine Journal of Ophthalmology for possible submission for publication. These may be returned for revision. The PJO will also screen the papers for possible

publication after the contest has concluded. If the paper is chosen for publication, the author will be notified.

As before, for technical papers describing a technique or procedure, a 5-minute video presentation of the technique will be allowed. **NO** text must appear during the video. Laptops or DVD/VCD players may be used. Please bring your own equipment. Please disseminate all these information to all those concerned.

PAO Research Idol Contest:

The PAO RESEARCH IDOL contest is open to all PAO members and members in training or simply to all residents and consultants. A maximum of fifteen (15) entries will be accepted for the IDOL portion. The PAO secretariat will accept the first fifteen contestants who will give their intent to join the PAO IDOL contest. The intent to participate may be given to the PAO secretariat anytime before the contest to ensure a slot.

The PAO IDOL portion is a video or picture collage of a talent or talents not lasting more than three minutes (range of a few seconds to three minutes). For example, if you can sing or dance then a three minute presentation or less will be shown of the song or dance number. If you are good at golf or badminton then you can show a video of your swing and your trophies. Be creative and just add humor to your video.

There will be a separate set of judges for the "PAO Idol" portion who will give a critique of each presentation ala "American Idol" all in fun. The audience will then vote with their keypads the score for each contestant. There will only be **ONE** winner/Idol for the PAO Research Idol contest which is separate from the prizes of the Residents Research contest proper.

Thank you very much and good luck to all!

Yours truly,



LEE VERZOSA, M.D.

Chair, Residents' Research Paper Contest
Committee on Research

Noted By:



JOSEPH ANTHONY J. TUMBOCON, M.D.

Councilor, Executive Council
Chair, Committee on Research

ABSTRACT
FORM: *Resident's*
Research Paper Contest

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and 4th PAO Idol Contest

November 25, 2009, Wednesday, 1:00-5:00 PM
Function Room 1, SMX Convention Center Pasay City Metro Manila

TITLE

AUTHOR

INSTITUTION

TEXT

KEYWORDS

Please check your choice

PAPER CATEGORY

- BASIC
 CLINICAL
 TECHNICAL

SUBSPECIALTY CATEGORY

- Optics, Refraction and Contact Lens
 Pathology and Intraocular Tumors
 Neuro-Ophthalmology
 Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus
 Orbit, Eyelids, Lacrimal and Plastic
 External Disease and Cornea
 Uveitis and Intraocular Inflammation
 Glaucoma
 Lens and Cataract Surgery
 Trauma
 Retina and Vitreous
 Systemic Ophthalmology
 Preventive Ophthalmology

PAO Idol Contest

- Participating
 NOT Participating

**NOTE: PAO Idol Contest Videos may
be submitted on Nov. 26, 2009**

PRESENTING AUTHOR: _____

INSTITUTION: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TEL #/CELL #: _____ **FAX NUMBER:** _____ **EMAIL:** _____

DEADLINES: Submission of **Final Manuscripts for RRPC Entries - September 25, 2009 (FRIDAY) 12:00 NN**

REMINDEES: *Provide a **Structured Abstract of 300 words or less** with the following four headings: Purpose, Methods, Results and Conclusions
**Provide a minimum of 6 keywords