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#### MESSAGE FROM THE RESEARCH COMMITTEE CHAIR AND EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

In 2017, the Research Committee and Residency Training Council held a joint activity during the Pre-congress of the 2017 PCR Annual Convention at the Henry Sy Auditorium, Saint Luke's Medical Center, Global City on the 15th of February, 2010n this day, eight research papers from diplomates and residents and 8 interesting cases from the residents-in-training were presented. The judges were for the interesting cases were Dr. Eric Stern and Dr. Jennifer Uyeda, our esteemed faculty from University of Washington and Boston University School of Medicine, Dr. Christopher Joy Aromin and yours truly. The judges for the Research Paper Contest were Dr. Leizl B. Valerio, Dr. Michael Rico Mesina and the Chair of the Board of Judges was Dr. Maureen Emily S. Salarda. It was a very fruitful academic event attended by close to 500 diplomates and residents.

The research poster contest was held at Manila Marriott Grand Ballroom where the 21 poster plus the 8 posters of the oral presenters were viewed for 3 days. The poster judges were Drs. Ronald J. De Castro, Michael Mesina, Maria Theresa Sanchez, Louisea Marie Deomampo Bonoan and Anatole Garcia.

The winners for the oral research presentation are as follows:

FIRST PLACE: Dr. Danlen C. Masangya "The Factors Behind the Increasing Trend in the use of Diagnostic Imaging in the Philippine General Hospital from the Radiologists' Point of View".

SECOND PLACE: Dr. Victor Erwin D. Jocson, "Novel Classification of patterns of Steroid Distribution within the Epidural Space during CT –Guided L5 and S1 Transforaminal Steroid injection for Chronic Back Pain"

THIRD PLACE: Dr. Dyan Christine Flores "A Retrospective Cross-sectional Study in the Aberrant Anterior Tibial Artery in Makati Medical Center Adult Patients from June 2010 to February 2016: Correlation with Traumatic and Non-traumatic Conditions, MR Appearance, Prevalence and Comparison with Previous Studies".

The following oral presenters received consolation prizes were Dr. JC Kenneth Jacinto, Dr. Rochell Ann B. Bautista, Maria Rosela B. Espinar, Bianca Nikkola N. Olonan and Neil Kristoffer P. Gamboa.

The top 6 poster presenters were as follows:

- ALMAZAR, Maria Algeria R., MD "Evaluation of Mammographic Density: Reproducibility and Concordance between Two Classification Scales at De La Salle University Medical Center"
- 2. CAÑERO, Julian M., MD "T2-weighted MR imaging of the upper abdomen: comparison SPACE and HASTE sequences"
- 3. MARTE, Alfredo T., MD "Size-Specific Dose Estimates of Adult Head, Chest And Abdominal Multidetector Computed Tomography (MDCT) In A Tertiary Hospital In The Philippines"
- 4. DOMACENA, Roy Angelo G., MD "Lateral Patellar dislocations: A comparative MRI study of quantitative and morphological risk factors of patellofemoral regions in St. Luke's Medical Center, Global City Setting"
- 5. ARAGON, Frederick P., MD "Prognostic utility of DWI-Aspects in predicting in-hospital outcomes in Patients with Acute Middle Cerebral Artery Ischemic Stroke"
- 6. GARCIA, Diana Jane B., MD "Role of Multi-voxel MR Spectroscopy in the Evaluation of White Matter Hyperintensities or Leukoaraiosis or White Matter Hyperintensities in the Adult Brain: Our Preliminary Experience"

The winning papers of both contests (research and interesting cases) and the abstracts of the poster presenters were collated in this journal to showcase the diplomates and residents' hard work in the preparation of their research and interesting case papers. This collection of papers will be worth your time to read as you will learn and gain knowledge on to prepare your own paper or derive new information to enhance your own diagnostic skills.

We would also like to thank the researchers for their contribution to PCR and as well as their research advisers, the reviewers, the contest judges, and the editors who are also took part in the preparation of this journal.

Congratulations! To God be the glory, great things He has done!