

APOG/SERONO RESIDENT RESEARCH AWARDS

1997/98 COMPETITION

The Association of Professors of Obstetrics and Gynaecology (APOG) is pleased to announce the results of the third annual APOG/SERONO Resident Research Award competition. The goal of this endeavour, the first of its kind for APOG, is to increase research quality and productivity by residents in obstetrics and gynaecology. This opportunity is made possible through the sponsorship of Serono Canada.

The research proposals received from residents in obstetrics and gynaecology programmes across Canada were each reviewed by members of the APOG Research Committee. Six awards were made, with each award consisting of operating funds (to a maximum of \$5,000.00) plus an additional \$1,000.00 for travel, to present the results of the research. The total amount awarded for the 1997/98 competition was \$31,842.00.

THE AWARDS WINNERS AND THE TITLES OF THEIR PROJECTS ARE:

Dr. Sujata Chandra, Memorial University.

"The accuracy of transvaginal ultrasound in the prediction of successful labour induction in the postterm pregnancy."

Dr. Fred Doucette, University of Western Ontario.

"The effect of nuchal cord with variable heart rate decelerations during labour on computerized FHR assessment, umbilical cord CRH and nitrate levels, and placental CRH and eNOS expression."

Dr. Carolyne Johnson, University of Montreal.

"Study of exhaled nitric oxide concentration with gestational age in women with normal pregnancy."

Dr. Nathalie LeRoux, University of Montreal.

"Evaluation of the incidence of gestational diabetes in multiparas with a normal glucose screen test in their first pregnancy."

Dr. Debra Ravasia, University of Calgary.

"The effect of corticosteroids prior to Caesarean section on the incidence of transient tachypnea of the newborn."

Dr. Wendy Whittle, University of Toronto.

"Regulation of prostaglandin synthesis, metabolism and action in pregnancy and parturition."

The Research Committee congratulates the recipients and thanks all those who applied. Funding is being sought for the 1998/99 competition. It is expected that applications for the 1998/99 competition will be sent to each university's APOG Research Committee member during the early summer for submission by October 1, 1998. All residents in obstetrics and gynaecology in Canada are encouraged to plan their research projects now and to submit their proposals for the expected competition.

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