

## APOG/SERONO RESIDENT RESEARCH AWARDS

**T**he Association of Professors of Obstetrics and Gynaecology is pleased to announce the results of the second 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 three members of the APOG Research Committee. Five awards were made. Each award consists of \$5,000.00 for operating funds and \$1,000.00 for travel to present the results of the research.

### THE AWARDS WINNERS AND THE TITLES OF THEIR PROJECTS ARE:

**Dr. Ayman Al-Hendy, University of Saskatchewan**  
“Adeno-virus mediated gene therapy of epithelial ovarian cancer;”

**Dr. Victoria Allen, Dalhousie University**  
“The effect of childbirth on incontinence;”

**Dr. Deborah Penava, University of Western Ontario**  
“Implantation in preeclampsia—the expression of gelatinases and tissue inhibitors of metalloproteinases in human placentas;”

**Dr. Richard Pittini, University of Toronto**  
“The laparoscopy skills index: a pilot study;”

**Dr. Kimberly Butt, Memorial University**  
“Randomized controlled trials comparing oral misoprostol and IV oxytocin for induction of labour in patients at >37 weeks with prelabour rupture of membranes.”

The Research Committee congratulates the recipients and thanks all those who applied. Applications for the next competition will be sent to each university's APOG Research Committee member during the early summer for submission by October 1, 1997. All residents in obstetrics and gynaecology in Canada are encouraged to plan their research projects now and to submit their proposals for the next competition.

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