RULES AND REGULATIONS
ONE SUBMISSION PER PERSON
DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION - Wednesday, January 31, 2024

PLEASE INDICATE “TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH” AS A HEADER if your work is to be considered for TR

*Translational Research (TR) is defined as “The process of turning observations in the laboratory, clinic and community into interventions that improve the health of individuals and the public – from diagnostics and therapeutics to medical procedures and behavioral changes.”

Oral Presentation submissions that fulfill the criteria of Translational Research will be considered.

A. Purpose of the Prizes
1. To promote an interest among the research trainees supervised by a faculty member in the Department of Surgery in creative and original investigation. Participants in the Surgeon Scientist Training Program [SSTP] (enrolled in the Gallie Course) are eligible for the Gallie Bateman prize. Research trainees who are not in the SSTP (e.g. graduate students, post-doc fellows, or other clinical trainees doing research) are eligible for the McMurrich Oral Presentation prize as well as the Translational Research prize.

2. To stimulate the preparation and presentation of both oral and written reports of such investigations in a clear and concise manner.

3. To foster collaboration of all branches of surgery and the diverse group of research trainees working with members of the Department of Surgery faculty.

B. Number and Value of the Prizes

PLEASE NOTE: A total of 12 high-scoring submissions will be chosen for oral presentations. The other submissions will be invited to present as e-poster presentations. The e-poster presentations and judging will be held as part of the main Gallie Day activities.

C. Conditions Governing the Prizes

1. Gallie Bateman eligible recipients must be enrolled in the Surgeon Scientist Training Program (SSTP) in the Department of Surgery at the University of Toronto. Individuals who were enrolled in the SSTP at any time during the twelve months preceding the competition may compete, provided they are still trainees. The work must have been performed while enrolled in SSTP. Persons other than winner(s) of the first prize may compete in subsequent years provided that they are still enrolled in Postgraduate Medical Education program and that the material submitted is NEW. An individual may submit ONLY ONE manuscript in a given year.

2. To reflect the diversity of research trainees working with our faculty members, any trainee working with our faculty members are eligible to give an oral presentation, not just members of the SSTP. McMurrich awards will be awarded to recognize the best oral presentation by any research trainee who is NOT a SSTP resident supervised by one of our faculty members (e.g. graduate students and post-doc fellows).

3. The manuscript must describe original investigation, which should be the work of an individual resident, his/her supervisor and technical assistants. The resident should be first author and should provide a letter of submission indicating where and when the work was performed, the supervisor and the contribution of the other authors.

4. Original manuscript (in WORD – not PDF, please) must be emailed to Renata Musa (renata.musa@utoronto.ca) by 11:59 p.m. on Wednesday, January 31, 2024.

5. The manuscript must be typed on 8 1/2" x 11" paper, single-spaced, with 2.5 cm (1 inch) margins on all sides. Please make sure figure and/or table submissions adhere to the margins specified above. Use type Arial 11-point font.
6. Manuscript shall consist of a maximum 3 page extended abstract. Title page (to include student and supervisor’s full names, affiliation, etc.), references and figures are not included in 3-page limit. A figure legend should be placed below each figure. Figure legend should be used to describe the figure and not provide detailed methodology. **MAXIMUM 3 FIGURES AND/OR TABLES TOTAL ALLOWED.**

7. Manuscripts not conforming to this regulation of spacing and margin rules will not be accepted.

8. Participants whose manuscripts are selected for an **oral presentation** will be asked to give a talk at **Gallie Day** that will be **10 minutes in length, with 5 minutes allowed for questions.**

D. **Judging - Criteria**

**Written Presentation:**
- i) Scientific merit, originality, significance, accuracy.
- ii) Literary merit, lucidity, organization, correct use of language, clarity and quality of figures.

**Oral Presentation:**
- i) Clarity, ability to field questions.
- ii) Overall knowledge of the field.

E. **Judges**
Department of Surgery **Research Committee members** will be responsible for judging the manuscripts submitted for oral presentation consideration. In judging, significant weighting will be given to the quality of the science and the magnitude of the scientific contribution.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL

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Michael G. Fehlings, Vice Chair Research
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