

Regulations Anesthesia Research Award granted by MSD

About the Anesthesia Research Award

The objective of the **Anesthesia Research Award** is to stimulate investigations and medical improvements in clinical practice on the use of neuromuscular blocking agents and their reversal.

Participants are asked to write an in-depth article about their scientific findings, aimed for publication in the Acta Anaesthesiologica Belgica.

At the SARB (Society for Anesthesia and Resuscitation of Belgium) Annual Meeting 2013, a poster about the winning article will be presented. The article will also be published on the SARB website.

The award includes a symbolic piece of art and a prize of € **2.500** in cash.

Participation and assessment

All candidates meeting the following criteria are welcome to participate :

- hold a medical degree ;
- be actively involved in anesthesia ;
- practise medicine in Belgium or in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.

Possible topics for articles include :

- an interesting clinical experience ;
- an improvement or adaptation of an established technique.

Participants can submit a new manuscript or a manuscript that was published less than 12 months before submission for the Anesthesia Research Award.

A jury of leading experts in the domain of anesthesiology will select the most innovative manuscript.

The jury will judge each entry on the following criteria :

- practicality
- originality
- content
- methodology

For each of these criteria, the members of the jury will give a score from 1 to 5 (1 = bad, 2 = moderate, 3 = good, 4 = very good, 5 = excellent).

The sum of the scores granted by all the members of the jury will determine the winner of the Anesthesia Research Award.

Each member of the jury involved or partially involved in one of the submitted papers will be excluded in the assessment of the article in question.

If the jury finds that none of the submitted works is sufficiently innovative, they may decide not to assign the award that year.

Manuscript requirements

All submitted manuscripts should be written in English and should consist of an introduction, a discussion, a conclusion and the appropriate references.

Manuscripts should be signed by each author. A manuscript should count approximately 3 pages (max. 300 words per page). For larger manuscripts, a summary of 3 pages should be submitted, excluding the references (max. 20 references).

Measurements should all be in international metric units. No abbreviations should be used in the title or in the keywords.

The first abbreviation will always be accompanied by the full text, with the exception of measurements.

Only standard abbreviations will be used. The manuscript should preferably be submitted as a text file.

The winning manuscript may be edited by the editorial staff of the Acta Anaesthesiologica Belgica, in close consultation with the author. The author will always remain responsible for the final content of the manuscript.

The deadline for submission for the year **2015: May 15th**

Entries should be sent to (by e-mail):

SARB Secretariat BVAR

UZ Gent 2K12 IC

Dienst Anesthesie

De Pintelaan 185

9000 Gent

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The secretariat will ensure that the members of the jury receive copies of all manuscripts.

The jury for the Anesthesia Research Award

MSD, proudly presents the jury, consisting of the following experts :

The **president** of the jury : Dr Luc Foubert (OLV Ziekenhuis Aalst)

The **members** of the jury :

Prof. Dr J. Poelaert (University Hospital VUBrussels)

Prof. Dr M. De Kock (University Hospital St.Luc Brussels)

Prof. Dr J.F. Brichant (University Hospital CHU Liege)

Prof. Dr M. Van De Velde (University Hospital KULeuven)

Prof. Dr P. Wouters (University Hospital Ghent)

Prof. Dr M. Vercauteren (University Hospital Antwerp)

Prof. Dr L. Barvais (University Hospital ULBrussels)

The members of the jury may only be replaced if agreed by both the president of the jury and MSD.

Announcement of the winning manuscript

The public announcement of the winner and the presentation of the prize will take place during the Annual Meeting of the Society for Anesthesia and Resuscitation of Belgium.

The winning author will be invited to be present to receive the award.

A representative of MSD, will hand over the award.

The winning manuscript will be published in the Acta Anaesthetica Belgica issue dedicated to the Annual Meeting, and at the same time on the website of The Society for Anesthesia and Resuscitation of Belgium.

MSD, together with the president of the jury, reserves the right to modify the regulations. These regulations and all modifications will be published in the Acta Anaesthesiologica Belgica.

