

Rose Excellence in Research Award

The Best Research Article of 2015 in Orthopaedic Physical Therapy

The Orthopaedic Section's Research Committee will consider all published research papers that examine issues related to orthopaedic physical therapy as being eligible for the award. The Committee will formally review the leading orthopaedic physical therapy journals for eligible papers and will choose the winner. The following journals will be screened for eligible papers:

American Journal of Sports Medicine Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery □ ***Journal of Orthopaedic and Sports Physical Therapy Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise Physical Therapy*** □ ***Spine***

Section members can notify the Research Committee if research papers in other journals should be considered for the award. The same eligibility and selection criteria that have been used previously for the award will continue to be used.

ELIGIBILITY

The recipient must:

- 1) be a physical therapist licensed or eligible for licensure in the United States of America;
- 2) be a member of the American Physical Therapy Association; and
- 3) be the primary (first) author of the published manuscript.

The article must be published in a reputable, refereed scientific journal between September 1, 2014 and August 31, 2015 to be considered for the award. E-pub, in press articles do not qualify. Should the journal containing an otherwise eligible article experience a delay in releasing its August 2015 issue, the article must be available to the general public no later than September 1, 2015 to be considered.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The article must have a significant impact (immediate or potential) upon the practice of orthopaedic physical therapy. The article must be a clinical research report that summarizes clinical research relevant to orthopaedic physical therapy. Reports of single clinical case studies or reviews of the literature will not be considered.

THE AWARD

The award will consist of a plaque and \$500 to be presented at the Combined Sections Meeting in Anaheim, CA, February 17-20, 2016. The author will also receive round-trip coach airfare, one day per diem at conference, and one-day conference registration.

If section members wish to notify the Research Committee of eligible research papers published in journals other than those listed above, please mail or e-mail by September 1, 2015 to:

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