

The Journal of the Canadian Chiropractic Association (JCCA) has established an Award of Excellence with respect to manuscripts published in the Journal in order to acknowledge and more fully recognize the contributions of authors, clinicians and researchers to advancing the scholarly literature of the profession. The relevant time period for this cycle includes the years 1996, 1997 and 1998. This is the second three-year cycle of awards presented.

Awards to authors may be given in each of the three categories. In each category the award is presented to the author(s) of the paper “making a significant contribution to the knowledge base on which chiropractic rests”. The editor selected a subcommittee of editorial board members (Dr. A. Grice, Dr. R. Gitelman and Dr. P. Côté) to serve as an independent panel of raters. The panel was instructed to apply the test of “significant contribution” to the 48 papers and to nominate 2 papers in each category.

The Award recipients in their respective categories are:

Original Designed Research (experimental/observational)

- 1 Erfanian P, Hagino C, Guerriero R. A preliminary study assessing adverse effects of a semi-customized cervical pillow on asymptomatic adults. *JCCA* 1998; 42(3):156–162.
- 2 Perossa DR, Dziak M, Vernon HT, Hayashita K. The intra-examiner reliability of manual muscle testing of the hip and shoulder with a modified sphygmomanometer: a preliminary study of normal subjects. *JCCA* 1998; 42(2):73–82.

Literature Reviews, Historical Reviews, Surveys

- 1 Biggs L, Hay D, Mierau D. Canadian chiropractors’ attitudes towards chiropractic philosophy and scope of practice: implications for the implementation of clinical practice guidelines. *JCCA* 1997; 41(3):145–154.
- 2 Morgan LG. Pertussis immunization: an update. *JCCA* 1997; 41(2):86–90.

Case Studies/ Reports

- 1 Hadida C, Lemire JJ. Missed upper cervical spine fracture: clinical and radiological considerations. *JCCA* 1997; 41(2):77–85.
- 2 Crawford JP, Gotlib AC, Injeyan HS. Pertinent case studies illustrating the need for laboratory accessibility for Doctors of Chiropractic: a clinical conundrum. *JCCA* 1997; 41(4):231–236.

The presentation of the awards will be made at the CCA semi-annual meetings in November in Toronto. On behalf of the profession, I would like to congratulate the award recipients and also sincerely thank Dr. Adrian Grice, Dr. Ron Gitelman and Dr. Pierre Côté for their meritorious service to the profession.

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