

# UBCMJ Congratulates Mr. Michael Suen, Winner of the Pollock Clinics Distinguished Writing Award for Issue 1.2: Global Health

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*In this photo:* Mr. Michael Suen

The UBC Medical Journal is proud to recognize the first winner of the Pollock Clinics Distinguished Writing Award, Mr. Michael Suen, from UBC Medicine's class of 2011 for his article "Sorafenib, A New Treatment for Advanced Hepatocellular Carcinoma: The Preliminary British Columbia Experience."


Multiple nominations were received from UBCMJ Section Editors. We would like to thank our judges for their generous help: Dr. David Hardwick (Vancouver Fraser Medical Program), Dr. Oscar Casiro (Island Medical Program), and Dr. David Snadden (Northern Medical Program).

Mr. Suen has been recognized before for his excellent writing. In 2007, he was awarded the Physiology Prize for the best graduating thesis in his Bachelor of Sciences degree with Honours from UBC.

In the Spiti Valley of India, he gained further health care research experience. As a Global Health Initiative project in the summer of 2009, he was part of a team that prepared projects aimed at improving the health of students at a boarding school. Mr. Suen's research focused on treating anemia using a sustainable, community-directed approach. His findings have been presented with excellent reception at multiple research forums, including

the Yale University Unite for Sight conference, the MUS-UBCMJ Research Forum, and the Canadian National Medical Student Research Symposium.

His tip for other students interested in research? "Find a project that you actually enjoy learning about and researching. Otherwise, when you're collecting data at 3am you're going to hate yourself. And some of my best data was obtained from 3 to 4am!"

The UBCMJ is pleased to award the Pollock Clinics Distinguished Writing Award for each issue. Winners are recognized with a \$250 prize courtesy of the Pollock Clinics. 



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