

## 2010 Award Winners

Thank you to all for a great Research Day program on Wednesday. It was especially gratifying to see a high level of participation by both attendees and presenters. In all we had 49 abstracts submitted (19 oral presentations and 30 poster presentations) this year. That commitment to research was evident in the quality of the work presented and the skill and professionalism of those making presentations. Join me in congratulating our winners:

### W. James Mezger, Jr., MD Award-

**Sunil Sharma, MD** ( Pulmonary and Critical Care) for oral presentation entitled:  
“**OBSTRUCTIVE SLEEP APNEA(OSA) CAUSES LUNG INFLAMMATION**”

### Young Trainee – Oral Presentation

**Reid Castellone** , (graduate student with Dr Lee Yang, Hem/Onc ) for:  
“**ACTIVATION OF GPR4 BY ACIDOSIS INHIBITS TUMOR CELL MIGRATION AND METASTASIS**”

### Young Trainee – Poster Vignette

**Alexa Meara** ( fellow, mentor Dr Moahad Dar, Endocrinology) for:  
“ **A HOT RED NECK**” : AN ATYPICAL CASE OF PAPILLARY CARCINOMA”

### Young Trainee – Research Poster

**Ryan Overcash** (graduate student of Dr Maria Ruiz-Eschevarria, Biochemistry/HemOnc) for:  
“**TMEFF2 IS A TUMOR SUPPRESSOR GENE THAT IS REGULATED AT THE LEVEL OF TRANSLATION**”