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ESICM Research Awards

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The European Society of Intensive Care Medicine (ESICM) has launched a programme to fund European research initiatives led by young investigators. Thanks to a genuine partnership with industrial leaders, 6 Industry Research Awards ranging from 5,000 to 80,000 } are available:

The "Alain Harf Award on Applied Respiratory Physiology", supported by Hamilton Medical, aims to fund research related to respiratory physiology and its applications to the field of mechanical ventilation.

The "Eli Lilly - ESICM Sepsis Elite Award" is a 2- year award to fund a PhD thesis or a post doctoral fellowship on sepsis.

The "Spacelabs Intelligent Monitoring Award" aims to fund research focused on patient monitoring in intensive care and emergency medicine.

The "iMDSoft Patient Safety Award" is a 10,000 } award to fund a research project focused on patient safety.

The "Edwards Minimally Invasive Haemodynamic Monitoring Award" and the "Edwards Nursing Science Award" are supported by Edwards Lifesciences to advance knowledge respectively related to minimally invasive haemodynamics and nursing skills and procedures.

In addition, investigators can also apply to one of the prestigious 20,000 } ECCRN awards funded by the ESICM. Details (including eligibility criteria such as ESICM membership) and application materials for the ESICM Young Investigator Award, the ECCRN Clinical Research Award, the ECCRN Basic Science Award or each of the 6 Industry Research Awards are available on the ESICM website www.esicm.org.

SCCM Release iCriticalCare Podcasts

www.sccm.org/podcast

The Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM) became the first medical and only critical care society to provide podcasts, with the release of its iCriticalCare Podcasts in July 2005. Since then, the breadth and depth of the podcasts continues to grow, as was evident at the Society's Critical Care Congress in January 2006. A podcast delivers information in audio format, which can be downloaded from the Internet to a computer, an iPod, or another MP3 player. SCCM podcasts are available at http://podcasts. yahoo.com and www.sccm.org/ podcast, free of charge. The iCritical Care Podcasts include news releases, interviews, and article summaries from the SCCM publications *Critical Care Medicine*, *Paediatric Critical Care Medicine* and *Critical Connections*. SCCM have also released a vodcast (video podcast), with content on SCCM's Right Care, Right NowTM philosophy. According to SCCM's President, Charles G. Durbin, "this launch was a major achievement for SCCM, as it was timely, strategic and ahead of the curve." See also Professor Durbin's article on page 54 of this issue of **ICU Management**.

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