



SOCIETY OF
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**SOCIETY OF CARDIOVASCULAR COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY (SCCT) IS NOW
ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR THE SIEMENS OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC
RESEARCH (SOAR) AWARDS**

Vienna, VA (March 1, 2011) – The Society of Cardiovascular Computed Tomography (SCCT) is now accepting nominations for the Siemens Outstanding Academic Research (SOAR) award. Sponsored by an educational grant from SIEMENS Healthcare, the SOAR award supports the professional and clinical development of top radiology residents and cardiology fellows.

Exceptional radiology and cardiology fellows and trainees in their 2nd year of training or beyond, who hold an interest in cardiovascular CT imaging, are nominated by their department chairmen or program heads. Based on the nominations, a maximum of five (5) trainees will be selected by an independent advisory panel to participate in this competitive program by submitting a manuscript to be reviewed by an independent panel. Trainees, with the guidance of their mentors, will write a focused review article of approximately 3,000 words on an assigned topic in cardiovascular CT, and present it at the 6th Annual Scientific Meeting in Denver, Colorado.

The trainee whose presentation and paper best meets the review criteria will receive the SOAR Award, a \$500 prize, and be published in an issue of the *Journal of Cardiovascular CT (JCCT)*. All finalists will receive a \$1000 travel stipend and complimentary registration to the 6th Annual Scientific Meeting. All finalists must be present at the meeting as well as at the Concluding Session for the final award announcement in order to receive their travel stipend and prize.

The program is intended to promote the research and writing skills of the trainees, as well as their oral presentation skills, and may very well provide the catalyst for some trainees to become future thought leaders in the field of cardiovascular imaging. For more information please visit <http://www.scct.org/annualmeeting/2011/abstracts.cfm>.

About the Society of Cardiovascular Computed Tomography

(SCCT) is the professional society devoted exclusively to cardiovascular computed tomography (CCT). With a membership of approximately 3,500, it is acknowledged and recognized as the representative and advocate for research, education, and clinical excellence in the use of cardiovascular computed tomography. For more information on the Society's Mission and Goals, please see the SCCT Website at: www.SCCT.org.

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