

The final contest of 2015 Chinese Young Surgeon Contest—surgery for gastric cancer

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The final contest of 2015 Chinese Young Surgeon Contest—surgery for gastric cancer was successfully held in Beijing International Conference Center on 27th June, 2015. After the exciting contest among the 12 finalists, the first prize, Theodor Billroth Prize, was taken by Xian Shen from the First Affiliated Hospital of Wenzhou Medical University in Open Group, and Jian Zhang from Hangzhou First People's Hospital in Endoscope Group.

This contest was co-hosted by Chinese Anti-Cancer Association, Editorial Board of *Chinese Journal of Cancer Research* and *Translational Gastrointestinal Cancer*, AME Publishing Company and DXY.CN. The aim of this contest is to share the successful experience of standardized surgical technique in gastric cancer, facilitate the technical exchange among Chinese young surgeons and cultivate academic talents in this field (Figures 1,2).

This surgical contest adopted anonymous voting. Each audience and judge has only one vote respectively in Open Group and Endoscope Group. During the contest, all the

12 surgical videos were numbered and played randomly. When the videos were finished playing, participators could vote for the most excellent one using voting machine. According to the votes from most to least, the awards were set up as Cheodor Billroth Prize, Cesar Roux Prize and Heinrich Braun Prize (Figure 3).

The Contest Organizing Committee has attracted many applicants since the invitation was sent out in early April of this year. On the first round of selection, the method of anonymous scoring online was adopted. The six videos with highest scores were selected in Open Group as well as Endoscope Group. Total 12 contestants stood out and were invited to participate in the final contest. The contest was honored to invite Prof. Han Liang, Yingwei Xue, Yinhua Liu, Yanbing Zhou, Min Yan, Leping Li, Yihong Sun, Zhongtao Zhang, Xiangdong Cheng, Qingsi He, Zekuan Xu, Fei Li and Xuedong Fang to be the contest judges and made brilliant comments on the surgical videos. The judges spoke highly of the videos, considered that the methods of



Figure 1 Prof. Jiafu Ji, President of this Chinese Gastric Cancer Congress is making an address at the opening of the contest.



Figure 2 Prof. Zhaode Bu from Beijing Cancer Hospital is introducing the judging rules and attending judges to the audience.



Figure 3 The judges and audiences are watching the surgical videos attentively.



Figure 4 The judges are making comments on the surgical videos.

surgery should not be only stick to one pattern and gave several professional and valuable suggestions to the finalists varied from patient selection, intraoperative hemostasis to ways of video demonstration (Figure 4).

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Contest result:

Open Group

Theodor Billroth Prize: Xian Shen

Cesar Roux Prize: Yi'an Du, Xin Ji, Xinxin Ji

Heinrich Braun Prize: Litao Yang, Feng Wang

Endoscope Group

Theodor Billroth Prize: Jian Zhang

Cesar Roux Prize: Kai Ye, Wu Song

Heinrich Braun Prize: Guoshan Yang, Zhengrong Li, Jiadi Xing

The award ceremony was held together with closing ceremony of the 10th Chinese Gastric Cancer Congress on 28th, June. The Chinese Young Surgeon Contest—Surgery for Gastric Cancer, as one of the critical series activities in gastrointestinal field, provides an exchange and learning platform for the young surgeons and helps to develop Chinese clinical diagnosis and treatment.

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