

International Awards and Honours received by the Residents of the Department of Surgery at the Digestive Disease Week (DDW) and the Society for Surgery of the Alimentary Tract (SSAT) Conference U.S.A.

The Residents of Department of Surgery received the following Awards and Honours at the Annual meeting of The Society for Surgery of the Alimentary Tract (SSAT) and the Digestive Disease Week (DDW) Conference U.S.A, held from 21st to 23rd May 2021 (VIRTUAL DDW 2021).

SSAT Presidential Plenary II Session

Dr. AR Pranavi presented the paper titled “*Comparison of adapted Enhanced Recovery After Surgery Pathway versus Standard care in patients undergoing emergency laparotomy for perforation peritonitis – A Randomized Controlled Trial*”. This paper was selected as one of the top 15 papers chosen by the SSAT for which the presenting author is either a resident or a fellow. SSAT Board & Program, Research, and Resident Education Committee members decide the award for the top presenter(s). *This paper received the Residents & Fellows Research Conference Plenary Presentation Prize and was categorized among the top three papers.*

This is the first time an Asian paper has received this Prize in the last fourteen years.

This paper was co-authored by Vikram Kate, Sureshkumar Sathasivam, Mahalakshmy Thulasingham, Pankaj Kundra.

Poster of Distinction

Dr. Gurushankari Balakrishnan presented the paper titled “*Hunger based versus conventional oral feeding in moderate and severe acute pancreatitis: A randomized controlled trial*”. This was awarded the *Poster of Distinction* in pancreatic disorders.

This paper was co-authored by Ashwin Rai, Anandhi Amaranathan, Sureshkumar Sathasivam, Vikram Kate.

Quick Shot Oral Presentation

Dr. Sinduja Ramanan presented the paper titled “*Role of sarcopenia in predicting the postoperative morbidity and peri-operative mortality in patients undergoing elective surgery for gastric cancer*”. This was selected for Quick Shot Oral Presentation in the “Esophagus, Gastric, Bariatric & Metabolic Session”.

This paper was co-authored by Vikram Kate, Anandhi Amaranathan, Deepak Barathi, Mahalakshmy Thulasingham.