

**Awards received by the Residents of Department of surgery at the XXXth
Annual Conference of the *Indian Association of Surgical Gastroenterology*
(IASGCON 2020-Virtual).**

The following awards were received by the Residents of the Department of Surgery, JIPMER at the 30th Annual Conference of the *Indian Association of Surgical Gastroenterology* (IASGCON 2020-Virtual), held on 20th and 21st February 2021.

1. **Dr. Gurushankari Balakrishnan**, Junior Resident, Department of Surgery received the best paper award for the paper titled '*Hunger-based versus conventional oral feeding in moderate and severe acute pancreatitis: A randomised controlled trial*'. The paper received the Best Oral Paper Award of the Conference with a medal, certificate, and cash prize of Rs. 10,000/-. The paper was co-authored by- Dr. Ashwin Rai, Dr. Anandhi Amaranathan, Dr. Sureshkumar Sathasivam, Dr. Vikram Kate. This was adjudged as the Best Paper of the Conference in the Award Oral Paper Session in which all the best paper awardees from the Free Oral Paper Sessions presented.

2. **Dr. Sinduja Ramanan**, Junior Resident, Department of Surgery received the best paper award in the free Oral Paper Category for the paper titled "*The role of sarcopenia in predicting the post-operative morbidity and peri-operative mortality in patients undergoing elective surgery for gastric cancer*". The paper received the Best Paper Award in the Free Oral Paper Session I with a certificate and cash prize of Rs. 5000/-. The paper was co-authored by- Dr. Anandhi Amaranathan, Dr. Deepak Barathi S, Dr. Mahalakshmy Thulasingham, Prof. Vikram Kate.

3. **Dr. Gurushankari Balakrishnan**, Junior Resident, Department of Surgery received the best paper award in the free Oral Paper Category for the paper titled "*Hunger-based versus conventional oral feeding in moderate and severe acute pancreatitis: A randomised controlled trial*". The paper received the Best Paper Award in the Free Oral Paper Session IV with a certificate and cash prize of Rs. 5000/-. The paper was co-authored by- Dr. Ashwin Rai, Dr. Anandhi Amaranathan, Dr. Sureshkumar Sathasivam, Dr. Vikram Kate.
