

3. **ROCHE YOUNG INVESTIGATORS AWARD**

- a. Sponsor: Roche Pharmaceuticals
- b. Amount: \$2,000 (2010, at discretion of Roche)

Eligibility

Gastroenterologists, Hepatologists, Gastroenterological medical or surgical Registrars and Surgeons or Scientists **who are members of the NZ Society of Gastroenterology** an award for the best Hepatology (Liver Disease related) presentation at the Scientific section at the Annual Meeting of the NZ Gastroenterology Society.

The value of the Award is at the discretion of Roche Pharmaceuticals and for 2010 will be \$2,000.

The Award is tenable for one year only.

The Award should assist the successful candidate to undertake a programme of further research, post-graduate training, and/or assist in participation at an overseas conference.

The following criteria will be used in making the Award:

1. Originality: How original or unique is the idea, observation or research.
2. Design and methods used in the investigation, research or presentation.
3. Results and conclusions: The criteria will look at whether the conclusion reached by the investigator logically follow from the methods and results. It will look at the importance and relevance of the presentation to gastroenterology.
4. Clinical usefulness: These criteria will look at how useful the observation or conclusions are for the clinical practitioner and for gastroenterology.
5. Audio-visual presentation: How clear are the slides? How clear was the presentation? How entertaining as well as enlightening was the presentation?

It will be expected that the recipient of the Award will present a report to the New Zealand Gastroenterology Society and Roche about the use of the Award. This could be a written and/or verbal presentation at the next Annual General Meeting of the Society about the research, training or conference(s) attended for which the Award was used.

Any publication arising from the presented material will contain acknowledgement of the support of the Society and Roche Pharmaceuticals

Each of the criteria will be rated by judges appointed by the President of the New Zealand Gastroenterology Society in conjunction and in consultation with Roche Pharmaceuticals. Any visiting speaker from overseas attending the New Zealand Gastroenterology Society Annual Scientific Meeting will be asked to participate in judging the Award. A member of Roche Pharmaceuticals will present the Award and Roche may choose to exhibit cases in their stand at the Society Conference.

This Award and this Agreement would be annually reviewed.

The Society has the discretion not to make the Award if there is no suitable candidate.