Hennry Stonnington Award Guidelines Brain Injury

Brain Injury is pleased to announce that, commencing in 2007, annual awards will be given for the best Review Articles published in the Journal. In recognition of *Brain Injury*'s Founding Editor, The Henry Stonnington Awards—sponsored by Taylor & Francis—will provide a 1st prize of \$1,000 and a 2nd prize of \$500 to the lead author of winning Review Articles, as adjudicated by the Editorial Board.

Submissions Information

Some guidelines on the writing of high-quality Review Articles are listed below. Adherence to these will help authors meet the awards' criteria.

- 1. Should you wish, submit your idea to the Editors for their consideration and approval before writing the article.
- 2. Consider topics with broad clinical and/or research applications and keep in mind the scope of interest of the readership of the Journal.
- 3. Aim for a Review Article with clear conclusions and/or summation such as a metaanalysis.
- 4. Be willing to explore more controversial topics that may not have definitive consensus and/or evidence-based medicine as a foundation for determining conclusions.
- 5. Remember the primary criteria for good scientific writing includes good flow, clarity and accuracy which generally requires good organizational skills and a firm grasp of the English language.
- 6. Consider ending your Review Article by addressing issues that remain unanswered along with suggestions for the kind of research that would help to answer them and/or consider concluding with a major reiteration of the primary lesson learned by the review.
- 7. Remember that Review Articles including meta-analyses are critical evaluations of previously published literature.
- 8. Writing a good Review Article involves significant effort and time to synthesize, integrate, organize and evaluate the methodology and quality of previously published information with the intent of distilling this information for the readership of *Brain Injury*.
- 9. A good review defines and clarifies a particular problem, summarizes current knowledge based on a synopsis of prior studies, identifies gaps in the literature regarding the topic and suggests means of solving unanswered questions regarding the topic being reviewed.

In preparing manuscripts, please consult *Brain Injury*'s <u>Instructions for Authors</u> available from the Journal homepage. Review Articles to be considered for The Henry Stonnington Awards should be clearly indicated as such in the covering letter.