



## THE ITALIAN SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF HEADACHES

### ANNOUNCES

## THE INTERNATIONAL GREPPI – SICUTERI AWARD 2006

The Italian Society for the Study of Headaches (SISC) announces the competition of the biennial International Greppi – Sicuteri Award 2006. The award will be granted to the best unpublished original paper, written in English by researchers of any nationality, dealing with the epidemiological, genetic, pathophysiological or therapeutic aspects of headache. Each prize amounts to 2500 euro. Authors of all ages are eligible for the award. The papers must be submitted in electronic format, in accordance with the editorial instructions of *The Journal of Headache and Pain*. The winning article will be published in *The Journal of Headache and Pain* within twelve months of the presentation of the award. Since the award is under the auspice of the European Headache Federation, the recipient is also invited to present the paper at the 8th European Headache Federation Congress, to be held in Valencia, Spain 26–29 April 2006.

Manuscripts should be sent by e-mail to [sisc@sisc.it](mailto:sisc@sisc.it) no later than 28 February 2006.

### Rules for the International Greppi – Sicuteri Award

1. The Italian Society for the Study of Headaches - Viale Pieraccini 18, I-50139 Florence, Italy, sponsors an international prize in memory of Enrico Greppi, pioneer and expert in the study of headache and Federico Sicuteri, recently deceased, who greatly contributed to the understanding of headache pathogenesis at an international level.
2. The prize is awarded every two years to an unpublished paper dealing with clinical, pathophysiological and therapeutic aspects of headache. Competing papers must be written in English and should not exceed 20 pages including the abstract, bibliography, tables and figures.
3. There is no age limit for participating in the International Greppi – Sicuteri Award.
4. All researchers in the headache field, regardless of nationality, may compete for the award. Members of the Boards of Directors of the Italian Society for the Study of Headaches (SISC) or European Headache Federation (EHF) may also participate, providing that they are not serving on the selection committee and did not participate in the nomination of the selection committee.
5. The award recipient is invited to present the winning paper as the International Greppi – Sicuteri Award Lecture at the European Headache Federation Congress.
6. The prize is 2500 euro, which will be received at the time of the congress along with a certificate signed by all members of the selection committee. If the winner is not present at the congress, the prize money will be forwarded to the recipient by bank transfer.
7. The competition will be announced in *The Journal of Headache and Pain* and possibly in other scientific journals. The *Journal of Headache and Pain* will then publish *ex officio* the winning manuscript with the list of members of the selection committee. The article will be published by *The Journal of Headache and Pain* within one year of the presentation of the award.
8. The selection committee will be composed of the President pro tempore of SISC who will preside, the EHF representative, the Editor-in-Chief of *The Journal of Headache and Pain*, or his chosen delegate, 1 member of the SISC Board of Directors and 2 members chosen from among Italian and/or foreign experts in the headache field and nominated by the SISC Board of Directors. In the event that the President of SISC cannot preside, the oldest member of the committee will assume the presiding role. The SISC Board of Directors will also nominate 5 other members who will serve as substitutes should one or more committee members decide to resign. The papers will be judged by each committee member individually on a scale of 0 - 10. Each committee member is responsible for sending his scores to the President of the committee. The scores of at least 4 committee members are necessary to determine a winner. The winning paper must receive an average score of not less than 6. In the case of a tie, the President's vote will have a double value. Should a tie persist, there will be a random drawing in the presence of a notary. No prize will be awarded if less than 4 judges send their scores or if no paper receives a score of at least 6. In this case the award money will then be deposited in the prize funds.
9. The competing works must be e-mailed to the President of SISC no later than 28 February 2006.