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Dear Readers:

I am pleased to announce that Brian Clark, Stevan Walkowski, Robert Conatser, David Eland, and John Howell, at the Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, have been selected to receive the 2009 OMPC Article-of-the-Year Award for their publication entitled, “Muscle functional magnetic resonance imaging and acute low back pain: a pilot study to characterize lumbar muscle activity asymmetries and examine the effects of osteopathic manipulative treatment.”

Their research demonstrates the feasibility of muscle function magnetic resonance imaging for quantification and localization of muscle abnormalities in patients with low back pain and thereby provides insight on the mechanistic aspects of osteopathic manipulative treatment. Their work, supported by a grant from the Osteopathic Heritage Foundation, can be accessed at <http://www.om-pc.com/content/3/1/7>.

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Again, congratulations to Dr. Clark and his colleagues on this outstanding achievement.

Sincerely,

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