

Ralph Kirsch Golden Pen Award

Professor Mike Machaba Sathekge, Head of the Department of Nuclear Medicine, University of Pretoria, and Steve Biko Academic Hospital was the inaugural recipient of the Ralph Kirsch Golden Pen Award created to recognise the most cited paper* in the Google Scholar Database published in the *SAMJ* in 2010.

This prize is associated with three institutions – Groote Schuur Hospital and the University of Cape Town through the Department of Medicine, and the South African Medical Association through the *SAMJ* – to which Ralph Kirsch dedicated his life.

The article has been cited in Russian and Chinese medical journals and research aggregator sites.

*Sathekge MM, Maes A, Pottel H, Stoltz A, van de Wiele C. Dual time-point FDG PET-CT for differentiating benign from malignant solitary pulmonary nodules in a TB endemic area. *S Afr Med J* 2010;100(9):598-601.



The Ralph Kirsch Golden Pen Award was presented at a special dinner by Dr Nkosazana Dhalmini Zuma (who provided an editorial for this month's SAMJ), seen here with Prof. Mike Sathekge and Prof. Janet Seggie, SAMJ Editor-in-Chief.