

*Announcement*

## UEDA Heart Awards for 2024

We are pleased to announce that the following 4 articles have been selected for the UEDA Heart Awards for the Year 2024.

### **FIRST PLACE**

#### **Frequency and Distribution of Sheet and Nodular Calcification in Coronary Arteries in Japanese Patients: An Autopsy Study**

*Kenta Hashimoto, Kenichi Fujii, Rika Kawakami, Hiroki Shibutani, Takahiro Imanaka, Kenji Kawai, Munemitsu Otagaki, Shun Morishita, Takato Hirose, Hiroyuki Hao, Seiichi Hirota, Ichiro Shiojima*

Int Heart J 2023; 64(5): 894-900.

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### **SECOND PLACE**

#### **Optimal Timing of Serial <sup>18</sup>F-Fluoro-2-Deoxyglucose Positron Emission Tomography after Prednisolone Treatment Introduction for Cardiac Sarcoidosis**

*Mitsuo Ishizuka, Takeshi Kashimura, Mitsuhiro Watanabe, Mayumi Kase, Ryohei Sakai, Takeshi Okubo, Shinya Fujiki, Tsugumi Takayama, Shiro Ishihara, Kazuyuki Ozaki, Takayuki Inomata*

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### **THIRD PLACE**

#### **Temporal Trends and Regional Variations in Cardiovascular Care in Japan, 2010-2019**

*Koshiro Kanaoka, Yoshitaka Iwanaga, Michikazu Nakai, Yoko Sumita, Yoshihiko Saito, Yoshihiro Miyamoto*

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#### **Patterns of Circulating Microbiota during the Acute Phase Following ST-Segment Elevation Myocardial Infarction Predict Long-Term Cardiovascular Events: A Prospective Cohort Study**

*Zhaogui Wu, Shan Zeng, Xuezhu Wang, Hangkuan Liu, Haonan Sun, Xin Zhou, Qing Yang*

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