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Dear David:

The Student Research Committee has met and reviewed the abstracts submitted for the Dean's Prize in Research competition. On behalf of the Committee, we are very pleased to inform you that you have been selected as a finalist. The next stage in the competition is the oral presentation. You will be notified once the date and time have been determined, but it will likely take place in January.

You will be allowed **eight (8)** minutes for the presentation and an additional **two (2)** minutes for questions from the Committee. Make sure you plan your talk very carefully, as we are quite rigorous about the time limit. Please feel free to bring any materials or visual displays you wish for the purpose of illustrating your talk. An LCD projector and laptop running PowerPoint will be provided. It will be your responsibility to assure that the visuals run smoothly (i.e., comparable LCD/PowerPoint).

When you plan your talk, you should remember that the Committee has representatives from different disciplines and it is important that all members of the Committee be able to understand your methods and results. The Committee is also interested in knowing what specific parts of the research project you carried out and what parts were done by others. Your talk will be judged both on the quality of the research and the clarity of the presentation. You should work closely with your sponsor in preparing your talk, but your sponsor may not attend the oral presentation. Presentations should be organized in the following way:

Introduction/Background
Hypothesis/Research Question
Methods/ Study Design
Results
Conclusions
Acknowledgements

In general, slides should contain no more than 6-8 lines of text, a single table or too many figures. Remember that if people can't read or follow your information, they may be unable to evaluate the work. Text and data slides usually take about one minute each to present, so structure your talk accordingly.

Congratulations once again - and we look forward to hearing about your research!

Sincerely,

Dan Lowenstein, M.D.
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