
2005 Ralph R. Tompsett Writing Award winner



Figure. Stefan Riedel, MD, PhD.

Dr. William C. Roberts, editor in chief, awarded the fifth Ralph R. Tompsett Writing Award to Stefan Riedel, MD, PhD (*Figure*). During his pathology residency, Dr. Riedel published five articles in the journal:

- Biological warfare and bioterrorism: a historical review (October 2004)
- Smallpox and biological warfare: a disease revisited (January 2005)
- Edward Jenner and the history of smallpox and vaccination (January 2005)
- Plague: from natural disease to bioterrorism (April 2005)
- Anthrax: a continuous concern in an era of bioterrorism (July 2005)

Feedback on these articles has been very positive. Dr. Riedel has now moved on to a fellowship in medical microbiology and infectious disease epidemiology at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics but has promised to continue submitting manuscripts to *BUMC Proceedings*.

The Ralph R. Tompsett Writing Award is ongoing. As announced in 2003, the award is no longer limited to residents and fellows; all authors who publish in a given year are eligible. However, when residents or fellows receive the award, it is accompanied by a \$1000 cash prize.