

Malaysian medical student published in prestigious medical journal

A prize-winning essay by University of Melbourne fourth-year Medical student Lee Yung Wong is being published in the prestigious UK medical journal, *The Lancet*.

The essay tells of his experience working in Myanmar with people infected with the HIV virus.

Lee Yung Wong, from Kuching, Malaysia, worked with World Vision in Myanmar during his Advanced Medical Science year with the University's Australian International Health Institute.

The essay was one of one of five international essays selected from a short list of 40 in the 2007 research for health competition, based on the theme: **Equitable access: research challenges for health in developing countries.**

The competition, co-sponsored by the Global Forum for Health Research and *The Lancet*, is aimed at recognising emerging future global health researchers. It attracted a total of 280 entries from 60 different countries.

Lee Yung Wong's prize will see him travel to Beijing at the invitation of the Ministry of Health of the People's Republic of China to take part in Forum 11, a global Health Research Forum to be held late October this year.

The winning essays will be published in an anthology to be launched at the Forum, after which all short listed essays will be available on line.

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