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Baishideng Distinguished Award for Baishideng Journals' Published Articles

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SELECTION METHODS

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AWARD AMOUNTS

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First Prize: Article scientific quality is given triple-A rating by peer-reviewers prior to publication, and after publication the article is given three First Prize recommendations by the editorial board members when they track the scientific quality of the article, or the number of citations reaches more than 30 in the year, excluding self-citations.

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