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As the Editor-in-Chief of *Ceramics*, it is my great pleasure to announce the winner of the *Ceramics* 2021 PhD Thesis Award. The prize has been granted to a doctor who has produced a highly anticipated academic potential thesis:

## 2021 PHD THESIS AWARD

"Understanding the Effectiveness of Plutonium Surrogates for Waste and Stockpile Immobilisation" by Lewis Blackburn, Immobilisation Science Laboratory, Department of Materials Science and Engineering, University of Sheffield, Sheffield S1 3JD, UK

The winner will receive 500 CHF and a certificate.

On behalf of the evaluation committee, I would like to congratulate the winner on his accomplishment. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the nominated research groups of the abovementioned exceptional thesis for their contributions to *Ceramics*, and the award committee for voting and helping with this award.

Prof. Dr. Gilbert Fantozzi Editor-in-Chief, *Ceramics* 

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