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Dear Colleagues,

To acknowledge the authors' support and recognize their outstanding scientific accomplishment, the Editorial Board is proud to announce the *Crystals* 2021 Best Paper Award. We hope this award will encourage the publishing of high-quality papers in the journal.

All papers published in 2021 are eligible for the award. The award committee, which is composed of *Crystals* Editorial Board Members, will carefully evaluate the papers according to the scientific rigor, the contribution to the field, and the originality of the work. Two articles will be selected for the award.

## 2021 BEST PAPER AWARD

### Eligibility for the Award:

- Papers published in *Crystals* in 2021;
- Open to all career levels;
- Both regular and Special Issue submissions will be considered.

### Selection Criteria:

The papers will be selected by the journal Award Committee according to the following criteria (data source: Web of Science (Clarivate Analytics)):

- Scientific merit and broad impact;
- Relevance to the field;
- Originality of the research objectives and/or the ideas presented;
- Creativity of the study design or uniqueness of the approaches and concepts;
- Clarity of presentation;
- Citation and download rates in 2022.

### Prizes:

Two final winners will be selected for the *Crystals* 2021 Best Paper Award. Each winner will receive:

- A cash award of 500 CHF and an opportunity to publish a paper in *Crystals* free of charge;
- Each winner will receive a certificate.

The winners will be announced on the journal website in January 2023.

