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Dear Colleagues,

As Editor-in-Chief of *Viruses*, I am pleased to announce the recipients of the **2017 *Viruses* Young Investigator in Virology Prize** and the two ***Viruses* Travel Awards**:

The **2017 *Viruses* Young Investigator in Virology Prize** has been awarded to **Dr. Andrew B. Ward**, The Scripps Research Institute, La Jolla, CA, USA. Dr. Ward's research combines electron microscopy and x-ray crystallography with biophysical approaches and computational analyses to elucidate the structure of viral membrane proteins. This work has led to significant advances in our understanding of the structure and function of the HIV-1, Ebola, and coronavirus glycoproteins, and mechanisms of antibody-mediated neutralization.

***Viruses* Travel Awards** were granted to **Mr. Gabriel J. Starrett**, Ph.D. student at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, MN, USA and **Dr. Valerie Cortez**, postdoctoral research associate at the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, TN, USA.

We would like to thank the Selection Committee members Drs. Craig Cameron, Karyn Johnson, Margaret C. Kielian, Rob Lavigne and Ian M. Mackay for their evaluation of candidates

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