

The 2024 *Metabolomics* publication awards

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Another year has passed, and we have another crop of excellent award winners. As you know in 2016 *Metabolomics* initiated a practice of recognizing our top authors with publication awards. We do this to showcase the outstanding work we have the privilege to publish. This annual event is a source of enjoyment for the whole editorial team, serving as a reminder of the honour it is for *Metabolomics* to feature your most impactful primary papers and reviews.

We have four award categories. The winners are determined by the highest number of downloads among articles published in 2023.

- *Best Paper Award* is awarded to the Primary Research Article with the highest total number of downloads during the previous year (Volume 19). The first author of the winning paper receives a complimentary ebook from Springer (value 200€). We also highlight the work on the front cover of *Metabolomics*. The paper will be made freely available for 30 days.
- *The runner-up paper* will also be made freely available for 30 days.
- *Best Review Award* is awarded to the Review Article with the highest total number of downloads also in Volume 19. The first author of the winning paper receives complimentary e-books from Springer (value 200€). Again, we highlight the review on the front cover of *Metabolomics*. The review will also be made freely available for 30 days.
- *The runner-up review* will also be made freely available for 30 days.

To qualify for these awards, an article published in *Metabolomics* must fall into one of two categories: Primary Research Paper (this can include metabolomics standards, best practice articles, short communications, or letters) or Review Article (we are inclusive of white papers). To be eligible these articles must have been published in their finalised versions in 2023 (that is to say, published in Volume 19).

Congratulations to our 2023 winners!!!

Best Paper Award published in 2023

Winner –

Bonelli, R., Ansell, B.R.E., Woods, S.M., Lockwood, S., Bishop, P.N., Khan, K.N., Bahlo, M. & Fruttiger, M. (2023) Spatial distribution of metabolites in the retina and its relevance to studies of metabolic retinal disorders. *Metabolomics* **19**: 10.

<https://doi.org/10.1007/S11306-022-01969-6>

Runner up –

Willemse, L., Terburgh, K. & Louw, R. (2023) A ketogenic diet alters mTOR activity, systemic metabolism and potentially prevents collagen degradation associated with chronic alcohol consumption in mice. *Metabolomics* **19**: 43.

<https://doi.org/10.1007/S11306-023-02006-W>

Best Review Award published in 2023

Winner –

Du, X., Dastmalchi, F., Ye, H., Garrett, T.J., Dillar, M.A., Liu, M., Hogan, W.R., Brochhausen, M. & Lemas, D.J. (2023) Evaluating LC-HRMS Metabolomics Data Processing Software using FAIR Principles for Research Software. *Metabolomics* **19**: 11.

<https://doi.org/10.1007/S11306-023-01974-3>

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Runner up –

Géhin, C., Tpkarska, J., Fowler, S.J., Barran, S.J. & Trivedi, D.K. (2023) No skin off your back: the sampling and extraction of sebum for metabolomics. *Metabolomics* **19**: 21.

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