





Dear colleagues,

We are pleased to announce the "Gels 2021 Best Paper Award", which will be awarded to research and review articles published in Gels from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021. One review and one research article will receive an award each. The papers will be selected after thorough evaluation by the journal award committee, which is led by David Díaz Díaz, and the winners will be announced in January 2023.

2021 BEST PAPER AWARD FOR PAPERS PUBLISHED

Eligibility for the award:

- Papers published in *Gels* from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 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 journal's 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:

- One review award: CHF 500 and a chance to publish a paper in Gels in 2023;
- One research article award: CHF 500 and a chance to publish a paper in Gels in 2023.
- Each winner will also receive a certificate.

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



