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Dear Colleagues,

As the Editor-in-Chief of *Plants*, it is my great pleasure to announce the winners of the *Plants* 2022 Best PhD Thesis Award. This award is for three PhD students or recently qualified PhDs who have produced a highly anticipated thesis with great academic potential.

2022 BEST PHD THESIS AWARD
WINNERS

The award has been granted to:
"Selenium Enrichment of Tomato Plants: Effects on Fruit Quality, Ripening Physiology and Postharvest Behaviour"
By Anton Shiriaev, Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Italy

"Agronomic Biofortification of Grain Crops with Zinc in Association with Plant Growth-Promoting Bacteria"
By Arshad Jalal, Sao Paulo State University, Brazil

"Mitigating Glyphosate Effects on Crop Plants and Soil Functions – Strategies to Minimise Its Potential Non-target Toxicity"
By Cristiano Soares, University of Porto, Portugal

Each winner will receive CHF 500, a certificate and a chance to publish a paper free of charge after peer review in *Plants* before 31 December 2023.

On behalf of the evaluation committee, I congratulate the winners on their accomplishments. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the applicants for submitting their exceptional theses, and thank the Award Committee for voting and helping with this award.

Prof. Dr. Dilantha Fernando
Editor-in-Chief, *Plants*