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Dear Colleagues,

As the Editor-in-Chief of *Agronomy*, it is my great pleasure to announce the winners of the *Agronomy* 2021 Best PhD Thesis Awards. This prize was for a Ph.D. student or a doctor who has produced a highly anticipated academic potential thesis.

The award has been granted to:

- “Kiwifruit Bacterial Canker: Exploring Tolerance Mechanisms and Novel Control Strategies” By Marta Nunes da Silva, University of Porto, Portugal
- “Understanding Vine Response to Mediterranean Summer Stress for the Development of Rationale Adaptation Strategies: The Kaolin Case” By Sara Bernardo, University of Trás-os-Montes and Alto Douro, Portugal
- “Quantitative Estimation of Vegetation Traits and Temporal Dynamics Using 3-D Radiative Transfer Models, High-Resolution Hyperspectral Images and Satellite Imagery” By Alberto Hornero, Swansea University, United Kingdom

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Each winner will receive CHF 500, a certificate, and a chance to publish a paper in *Agronomy* in 2022.

On behalf of the evaluation committee, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the winners on their accomplishments. We would also like to thank all the nominated research groups of the above exceptional thesis for their contributions to *Agronomy*, and the Award Committee for voting and helping with this award.

Prof. Dr. Peter Langridge
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