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2023 BEST PHD THESIS AWARD

Dear Colleagues,

Animals is inviting applications for the 2023 Best PhD Thesis Award. This prize will be awarded to one PhD student or recently qualified PhD who has produced highly anticipated theses with great academic potential. Applications will be assessed by an evaluation committee led by the Editor-in-Chief, Clive J. C. Phillips.

Eligibility and Requirements
- The candidate must be a PhD student or recently qualified PhD who has produced a highly anticipated thesis with great academic potential;
- The PhD thesis must be their original work;
- The PhD thesis must be or have been defended in 2023.

Required Application Documents
- An executive summary of the PhD thesis in English of around 3000 words;
- A letter from the PhD supervisor recommending the candidate for consideration for this award;
- The candidate's CV, including a list of publications connected with the thesis;
- An electronic copy of the PhD thesis;
- A scanned copy of the PhD diploma (or certificate of studying at a school or research institute as a PhD student due to graduate or participate in graduation thesis defenses).

Selection Criteria
- Quality of resume and publications;
- Relevance of the candidate and research description;
- Novelty of the candidate's PhD thesis;
- Strength of the recommendation letter;
- Anticipated academic potential;
- Originality and impact of the research.

Prizes
- Bonus (CHF 1000);
- An electronic certificate;
- Offer to publish one paper free of charge in *Animals* after peer review before the end of 2024.

The award application deadline is 31 December 2023. The winner will be announced on the *Animals* website at the end of March 2024.