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As the Section Editor-in-Chief of *Applied Sciences*, I am pleased to announce the winners of the *Applied Sciences* 2020 Best Paper Award in Materials Science and Engineering.

The awards have been granted to:

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Low-Cost Biochar Adsorbents for Water Purification Including Microplastics Removal

By Virpi Siipola et al.

Appl. Sci. **2020**, *10*(3), 788; doi:10.3390/app10030788

One review:

Microstructure and Mechanical Properties of AISI 316L Produced by Directed Energy Deposition-Based Additive Manufacturing: A Review

By Abdollah Saboori et al.

Appl. Sci. **2020**, *10*(9), 3310; doi:10.3390/app10093310

Each winner (corresponding author) will receive CHF 400 and a certificate.

On behalf of the Assessment Committee, I congratulate the winners on their accomplishments. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the nominated research groups of the above exceptional papers for their contributions to *Applied Sciences*, and thank the Awards Committee for voting and helping with these awards.

Prof. Dr. Philippe Lambin

Section Editor-in-Chief, *Applied Sciences*