

Dear Colleagues,

As the Editors-in-Chief of *Cells*, it is our great pleasure to announce the winner of the *Cells* 2021 PhD Thesis Award. This prize was aimed to be awarded to a PhD student who is about to graduate or participate in their graduation defense.

2021 PHD THESIS AWARD

The award has been granted to:

"Microbial Activators of the Inflammasome"
By Anukriti Mathur, Australian National University, Australia.

The winner will receive CHF 800 and a certificate.

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

Dr. Alexander E. Kalyuzhny Prof. Dr. Cord Brakebusch Editors-in-Chief, *Cells*

