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As the Editor-in-Chief of *Metals*, it is my great pleasure to announce the winner of the *Metals* 2021 Best Ph.D. Thesis Award, which has been granted to:

## 2021 BEST PHD THESIS AWARD WINNER

### **Laser powder-bed fusion of metallic alloys with enhanced microstructures and properties**

By Navid Sohrabi

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Navid Sohrabi will receive CHF 800, a certificate and the opportunity to publish a paper in *Metals* in 2022.

On behalf of the assessment committee, I congratulate Navid Sohrabi on his accomplishments. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the nominated research groups for their contributions to *Metals*, and the Award Committee for their assistance in the evaluation process.

Prof. Dr. Hugo F. Lopez  
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