

Dear Colleagues,

As Editor-in-Chief of *Minerals*, I am pleased to announce the winners of the 2019 *Minerals* Travel Awards

Travel Awards were granted to Nicola Campomenosi, Ph.D. student at the Department of Earth Science, Environment & Life, University of Genova, to Timothy Gregory, Ph.D. student at the School of Earth Sciences, University of Bristol, and to Dr. Juliane Weber, Post-doctoral fellow at Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

2019 TRAVEL AWARD

Mr. Nicola Campomenosi's research focuses on coupling spectroscopic and mineral physics methods to conventional petrology in order to constrain P and T conditions of mineral formation. His PhD study used Raman spectroscopy to quantify the amount of strain in host-inclusion (garnet–zircon/quartz) mineral systems from the stress-induced birefringence. He plans to present his results at the EGU General Assembly 2019 in Vienna, Austria.

Mr. Timothy Gregory's PhD research area is the chronology of chondrule formation in the early Solar System. He has presented his work entitled "(26Al/27Al)₀ Homogeneity Reinstated, and an Early Onset of Silicate Formation in the Nascent Solar System" at the 50th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference (Houston, USA).

Dr. Juliane Weber's research is concerned with the immobilization of harmful elements at environmentally relevant mineral–water interfaces using state-of-the-art high-resolution chemical imaging techniques (synchrotron-based X-rays and neutrons). She will present her most recent results, which indicate that the microstructure of rocks controls replacement reactions more than the mineral reactivity, at the 2019 Goldschmidt conference (Barcelona, Spain).

The awards consist of **800 Swiss Francs** each to attend any academic conference during 2019.

Prof. Dr. Paul Sylvester Editor-in-Chief

