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The year 2020 marked the 25th anniversary of *Molecules*. Since its launch in 1996, *Molecules* has published peer-reviewed papers from more than 143,000 authors. More than 45,000 reviewers have submitted at least one review report.

In recognition of our authors' continued support, *Molecules* has launched the "Molecules 2020 Best Paper Award for Anniversary Special Issues". The award consists of three prizes, and each winner (corresponding author) will receive a bonus, an electronic certificate and an offer to publish a paper in *Molecules* with the article processing charge (APC) waived before the end of 2022.

We are pleased to announce the award has been granted to:

### First Prize

#### **Polymeric Nanoparticles: Production, Characterization, Toxicology and Ecotoxicology**

By Aleksandra Zielińska et al.

### Second Prizes

#### **Nanomaterials for Wound Dressings: An Up-to-Date Overview**

By Alexandra Elena Stoica et al.

#### **PROTACs and Building Blocks: The 2D Chemical Space in Very Early Drug Discovery**

By Giuseppe Ermondi et al.

### Third Prizes

#### **LncMirNet: Predicting LncRNA-miRNA Interaction Based on Deep Learning of Ribonucleic Acid Sequences**

By Sen Yang et al.

#### **Merging Ligand-Based and Structure-Based Methods in Drug Discovery: An Overview of Combined Virtual Screening Approaches**

By Javier Vázquez et al.

#### **The Protective Role of Butyrate against Obesity and Obesity-Related Diseases**

By Serena Coppola et al.

#### **Cyanogenic Glycoside Analysis in American Elderberry**

By Michael K. Appenteng et al.

#### **Amygdalin: Toxicity, Anticancer Activity and Analytical Procedures for Its Determination in Plant Seeds**

By Ewa Jaszczak-Wilke et al.

Kind regards,

*Molecules* Award Evaluation Committee