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Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce that the winner of the *Plants* 2020 Young Investigator Award is Dr. Laura Medina-Puche.

2020 YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD

WINNER

Dr. Laura Medina-Puche is a Postdoctoral Research Fellow in the group of Rosa Lozano-Duran, Shanghai Center for Plant Stress Biology (PSC), Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS), Shanghai, China. Dr. Medina-Puche's research interests are in molecular plant-virus interactions. Dr. Medina-Puche received her PhD in 2015 and has an outstanding publication record, comprising 18 publications in peer-reviewed international journals, such as *Cell*, *The Plant Cell* and *Journal of Experimental Botany*. Dr. Laura Medina-Puche's Scopus scientific citations number is 451 and her Hirsch index is 10. She is clearly a rising star in the field of plant sciences. Please join us in congratulating Dr. Medina-Puche for her outstanding achievements.

As the awardee, Dr. Laura Medina-Puche will receive an honorarium of 2000 CHF and an offer to publish a paper free of charge in 2021 in *Plants* after peer review.

We would like to thank all the nominators from various fields of study for their participation and all the Award Committee Members for their evaluation of the abundant excellent nominations.

Editor-in-Chief, Prof. Dr. Dilantha Fernando, on behalf of the *Plants* 2020 Young Investigator Evaluation Committee