

Editorial

***Diversity* Best Paper Awards for 2015**

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Diversity is instituting annual awards to recognize the most outstanding papers in the areas of biological, genetical, chemical or environmental diversity published in *Diversity*.

We are pleased to announce the recipients of the first “*Diversity* Best Paper Awards”. Nominations were selected by the Editor-in-Chief and several Editorial Board members of *Diversity* from all papers published in 2013.

We are pleased to announce that the following three papers were chosen to receive “*Diversity* Best Paper Awards” for 2015. I congratulate all of the authors and thank them for their significant and important contributions to the field of diversity. I also thank the members of the Selection Committee for their efforts.

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First Prize

Samuel A. Cushman, Tzeidle N. Wasserman, Erin L. Landguth and Andrew J. Shirk

Re-evaluating causal modeling with Mantel tests in landscape genetics.

Diversity **2013**, *5*(1), 51-72; doi:10.3390/d5010051

Available online: <http://www.mdpi.com/1424-2818/5/1/51>

Second Prize

Linda Garland, Patrik Koskinen, Leo Rouhiainen, Pia Laine, Lars Paulin, Petri Auvinen, Liisa Holm and Minna Pirhonen

Genome sequence of *Dickeya solani*, a new soft rot pathogen of potato, suggests its emergence may be related to a novel combination of non-ribosomal peptide/polyketide synthetase clusters.

Diversity **2013**, *5*(4), 824-842; doi:10.3390/d5040824

Available online: <http://www.mdpi.com/1424-2818/5/4/824>

Third Prize

Alberto Orgiazzi, Valeria Bianciotto, Paola Bonfante, Stefania Daghino, Stefano Ghignone, Alexandra Lazzari, Erica Lumini, Antonietta Mello, Chiara Napoli, Silvia Perotto, Alfredo Vizzini, Simonetta Bagella, Claude Murat and Mariangela Girlanda

454 pyrosequencing analysis of fungal assemblages from geographically distant, disparate soils reveals spatial patterning and a core mycobiome.

Diversity **2013**, *5*(1), 73-98; doi:10.3390/d5010073

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