

Editorial

Marine Drugs Best Paper Award 2013

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To recognize the most outstanding papers in the area of research, development and production of drugs from the sea, including marine natural product chemistry, that have been published in *Marine Drugs*, we would like to start an annual “Best Paper Award”.

We are therefore pleased to announce the first “*Marine Drugs Best Paper Award*” for 2013. Nominations were selected by the Editor-in-Chief and Associate Editors of *Marine Drugs* from all papers published in 2009; reviews and articles being evaluated separately. The following three papers have won this award:

Article Award:

First Prize

Jason C. Kwan, Kanchan Taori, Valerie J. Paul and Hendrik Luesch *

Lyngbyastatins 8–10, Elastase Inhibitors with Cyclic Depsipeptide Scaffolds Isolated from the Marine Cyanobacterium *Lyngbya semiplena*

Mar. Drugs 2009, 7(4), 528-538; doi:10.3390/md7040528

Available online: <http://www.mdpi.com/1660-3397/7/4/528>

Second Prize

Sigrid Hakvåg, Espen Fjærvik, Geir Klinkenberg, Sven Even F. Borgos, Kjell D. Josefsen, Trond E. Ellingsen and Sergey B. Zotchev *

Violacein-Producing *Collimonas* sp. from the Sea Surface Microlayer of Coastal Waters in Trøndelag, Norway

Mar. Drugs 2009, 7(4), 576-588; doi:10.3390/md7040576

Available online: <http://www.mdpi.com/1660-3397/7/4/576>

Review Award:

First Prize

Barbara Forte, Beatrice Malgesini, Claudia Piutti, Francesca Quartieri, Alessandra Scolaro and Gianluca Papeo *

A Submarine Journey: The Pyrrole-Imidazole Alkaloids

Mar. Drugs 2009, 7(4), 705-753; doi:10.3390/md7040705

Available online: <http://www.mdpi.com/1660-3397/7/4/705>

We believe these three exceptional papers are valuable contributions to *Marine Drugs* and drug discovery research. On behalf of the Prize Awarding Committee and the Editorial Board of *Marine Drugs*, we would like to congratulate these three teams for their excellent work. In recognition of their accomplishment, Dr. Hendrik Luesch and Dr. Sergey B. Zotchev will receive a prize of 600 CHF and 400 CHF, respectively, and the privilege to publish an additional paper free of charge in open access format in *Marine Drugs*, after the usual peer-review procedure. Dr. Gianluca Papeo will also be awarded the privilege of publishing an additional research paper free of charge in open access format in *Marine Drugs*, after the usual peer-review procedure.

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