NEWS: the 2016 *Metabolomics* publication awards

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1 Best paper award

- **Winner**—Bro, R., Kamstrup-Nielsen, M.H., Engelsen, S.B., Savorani, F., Rasmussen, M.A., Hansen, L., Olsen, A., Tjønneland, A. & Dragsted, L.O. (2015) Forecasting individual breast cancer risk using plasma metabolomics and biocontours. *Metabolomics* **11**, 1376–1380. doi:[10.1007/S11306-015-0793-8](https://doi.org/10.1007/S11306-015-0793-8).
- **Runner up**—Martin, J-C., Maillot, M., Mazerolles, G., Verdu, A., Lyan, B., Migné, C., Defoort, C., Canlet, C., Junot, C., Guillou, C., Manach, C., Jacob, D., Bouveresse, D.J-R., Paris, E., Pujos-Guillot, E., Jourdan, F. Giacomini, F.Courant, F., Favé, G., LeGall, G., Chassaing, H., Tabet, J-C., Martin, J-F., Jean-Philippe Antignac, J-P., Shintu, L., Defernez, M., Philo, M., Alexandre-Gouaubau, M-C., Amiot-Carlin, M., Bossis, M., Triba, M., Stojilkovic, N., Banzet, B., Molinié, R., Bott, R., Goulitquer, S., Caldarelli, S. & Rutledge, R.N. (2015) Can we trust untargeted metabolomics? Results of the Metabo-Ring initiative, a large-scale, multi-instrument inter-laboratory study. *Metabolomics* **11**, 807–821. doi: [10.1007/S11306-014-0740-0](https://doi.org/10.1007/S11306-014-0740-0).

2 Best review award

- **Winner**—Emwas, A-H., Luchinat, C., Turano, P., Tenori, L., Roy, R., Salek, R., Ryan, D., Merzaban, J.S., Kaddurah-Daouk, R., Zeri, A.C., Gowda, G.A.N., Raftery, D., Wang, Y., Brennan, L. & Wishart, D.S. (2015)

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Standardizing the experimental conditions for using urine in NMR-based metabolomic studies with a particular focus on diagnostic studies: a review. *Metabolomics* **11**, 872–894. doi: [10.1007/S11306-014-0746-7](https://doi.org/10.1007/S11306-014-0746-7).

- *Runner up*—Ren, S., Hinzman, A., Kang, E.L., Szczesniak, R. & Lu, J.L. (2015) Computational and statistical analysis of metabolomics data. *Metabolomics* **11**, 1492–1513. doi: [10.1007/S11306-015-0823-6](https://doi.org/10.1007/S11306-015-0823-6).