NEWS: the 2018 *Metabolomics* publication awards

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1 2018 Best paper award

- *Winner*—Zhang, Q., Ford, L.A., Evans, A.M. & Toal, D.R. (2017) Structure elucidation of metabolite x17299 by interpretation of mass spectrometric data. *Metabolomics* **13**: 92. <https://doi.org/10.1007/S11306-017-1231-X>
- *Runner up*—Weber, R.J.M., Lawson, T.N., Salek, R.M., Ebbels, T.M.D., Glen, R.C., Goodacre, R., Griffin, J.L., Haug, K., Koulman, A., Moreno, P., Ralser, M., Steinbeck, C., Dunn, W.B. & Viant, M.R. (2017) Computational tools and workflows in metabolomics: An international survey highlights the opportunity for harmonisation through Galaxy. *Metabolomics* **13**: 12. <https://doi.org/10.1007/S11306-016-1147-X>

2 2017 Best review award

- *Winner*—Spicer, R., Salek, R.M., Moreno, P., Cañueto, D. & Steinbeck, C. (2017) Navigating freely-available software tools for metabolomics analysis. *Metabolomics* **13**: 106. <https://doi.org/10.1007/S11306-017-1242-7>.
- *Runner up*—Torell, F., Bennett, K., Rännar, S., Lundstedt-Enkel, K., Lundstedt, T. & Trygg, J. (2017) The effects of thawing on the plasma metabolome: Evaluating differences between thawed plasma and multi-organ samples. *Metabolomics* **13**: 66. <https://doi.org/10.1007/S11306-017-1196-9>

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