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## Announcement

## The Metabolism Award for Junior Investigators

It is with great pleasure that, with the beginning of the New Year 2012, I am in the pleasant position to announce the initiation of the *Metabolism* Award for Junior Investigators. Beginning in January 2013, a \$2000 award will be awarded annually for the best paper having a *junior investigator* (defined as being either in doctoral or in postdoctoral training) as the first-named author and published in *Metabolism* the year preceding the award. Authors will be invited to indicate their willingness to compete when they have their papers accepted, and final selection will be made by a committee of editorial board members. The award should be used to cover registration and travel expenses for the student to attend a major international scientific meeting in the area of metabolism.

Elsevier and the journal have positive prior experience of a similar award: the annual Elsevier/Oxford Centre for Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolism Junior Researcher Award, now in its fifth year; the 2011 winner, Katherine Gaynor, attended the ENDO 2011 meeting and *Metabolism*'s inaugural new

editorial board meeting and dinner in Boston this past year (please see this issue for her conference report). The positive experiences of the winners, as reflected in Katherine's conference report, encouraged the editors and publisher of *Metabolism* to proceed with the creation of the *Metabolism* Award for Junior Investigators. We hope that this new prize will enhance both interest in our journal and, overall, the training and education experience of young trainees in this subject area.

Please do inform all trainees and mentors about this new award.

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