

# **Congratulations to the NICE Conference 2018 Student Award Winners!**

## **Best Poster Award for a Young Investigator (Biomimetics)**



### **1<sup>st</sup> Place - Léo CLERC**

**Université Nice – Sophia Antipolis, NICE Learning, IMREDD, Nice, France**  
for the research entitled **“Cupric oxide (CuO) nanoparticle formation from plasma surface modification of copper”** by H.S. Salapare III, L. Clerc, P. Bassoleil, M. Galerne, V. Carlac, Q. Ollagnier, A. Zenerino, S. Amigoni, F. Guittard

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Raja SEBASTIAN**

**Aachen University Medical School, Germany**  
for the research entitled **“Biomass-derived Carbon Dots (C-Dots) for multi-color imaging”** by R. Sebastian, L.H.C. Mattoso, Z. Martin, E.M. Bhul, S. Dreschers. S. Antonio

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Dalila SAAOUI**

**Bejaia University, Algeria and Mons University, Belgium**  
for the research entitled **“Poly(ethylene terephthalate)/poly(ε-caprolactone) blend nanocomposites: A ‘green’ route compatibilization using a reduced graphene properlyfunctionalized”** by D. Saaoui, S. Benali, R. Mincheva, A. Habi, P. Dubois, J.M. Raquez

**Best Poster Award - NanoTech**  
**(Royal Society of Chemistry - Nanoscale)**



**1<sup>st</sup> Place – Randy MUJICA**

**Université de Strasbourg, Strasbourg, France**

**CNRS – Institut Charles Sadron, Strasbourg, France**

for the research entitled **“Towards the fabrication of nanocomposite films with bio-inspired complex reinforcing architectures”** by R. Mujica, V. Le Houerou, O. Felix, G. Decher

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Kathrina Lois M. TAACA**

**University of the Philippines Diliman, Philippines**

for the research entitled **“Bentonite Activated by Copper and Nickel: Cytotoxicity Testing and Antimicrobial Activity Studies”** by K.L.M. Taaca, L.A. Dahonog, V.B. Argayosa, R.O. Rubio, E.M. Olegario

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Doebner von TUMACDER**

**Mapua University, Philippines**

for the research entitled **“Electrodeposition Mechanism and Morphological Analysis of A Highly Ordered Structure Polyaniline (PAni)”** by D.V. Tumacder, K.L. Taaca, M.T. Pulido, R. Simon

**Best Poster Award - BioTech**  
**(Royal Society of Chemistry – Green Chemistry)**



**1<sup>st</sup> Place – Frankje DE BOER**

**Utrecht University, The Netherlands**

for the research entitled “**Edible colloidal colorants from water insoluble proteins**” by F. De Boer, R. Kok, A. Imhof, K. Velikov

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Chloe RICHARDS**

**Dublin City University, Ireland**

for the research entitled “**The characterization and testing of dermal scales of *Scophthalmus rhombus* for application in antifouling technology**” by C. Richards, I. Maguire, F. Regan

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Monika BOSILJ**

**Fraunhofer Institute for Solar Energy Systems, Germany**

for the research entitled “**Sustainable hydrothermal Carbons for Biorefinery-related Catalysis**” by M. Bosilj, N. Nuthalapati, M. Bozoglu, R. White, A. Fischer

**Best Poster Award - SmartTech**  
**(Royal Society of Chemistry – Molecular Systems Design**  
**and Engineering)**



**1<sup>st</sup> Place – Hui Xian GAN**

**National University of Singapore, Singapore**

for the research entitled **“Towards a better understanding of nature inspired  
Aquaporin biomimetic membrane”** by H.X. Gan, H. Zhou, Q. Lin, Y.W. Tong

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Lauri MARTTILA**

**University of Turku, Finland**

for the research entitled **“Effect of pH and Oxidant on the First Steps of  
Polydopamine Formation: A Thermodynamic Approach”** by L. Marttila, M.  
Salomäki, H. Kivelä, T. Ouvinen, J. Lukkari

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Stefan MÜLLERS**

**University of Freiburg, Germany**

for the research entitled **“Bioinspired hairy surfaces”** by S. Müllers, J. Rühle



**Best Oral Communication**  
**(PLASMAT 2018 and RSC - Nanoscale)**



**Sameer F. HAMAD**  
**The University of Sheffield, United Kingdom**  
for the research entitled **“Low Voltage-SEM insights into Nanoscale Surface Modification of Ramie Plant Fibers by Plasma Treatment”** by S.F. Hamad, C. Rodenburg