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Outstanding Reviewers for *RSC Advances* in 2023

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of *RSC Advances*' reviewers for helping to preserve quality and integrity in chemical science literature. We would also like to highlight the Outstanding Reviewers for *RSC Advances* in 2023.

Each one of our outstanding peer reviewers has been carefully selected by our editorial team and the list includes active researchers who have made significant contributions to peer review and have gone above and beyond in their actions.

In recognition of the varied contributions of our reviewer community, our Outstanding Reviewers from 2023 have been chosen based on several different measures, including the number, timeliness and quality of the reports completed over the last 12 months. We have also chosen to highlight reviewers who provided exceptionally thorough and detailed reports and reviewers who made additional efforts to aid authors in improving their manuscripts.

We would also like to direct a special thanks to the members of the *RSC Advances* Reviewer Panel for their hard work and dedication, and the valuable contribution they have made to the journal. The Reviewer Panel is a key part of our commitment to deliver rigorous and fair peer review and ensures that manuscripts are handled by experts throughout the peer review process. We are proud to work with these individuals and recognise their crucial role for the journal.

RSC Advances strives to represent the diversity of the chemistry community, and we would like our reviewer community to reflect that. We are always looking to improve the diversity of our reviewer community in all its forms, and welcome applications for new reviewers through the RSC's **Become a Reviewer** page.

In 2023 we introduced Transparent Peer Review (TPR) to *RSC Advances*. We firmly believe this will support trust and rigour in our peer review processes, as well as improving the quality of reviewer reports for our authors. We are already seeing a great level of engagement, with over a third of our authors choosing to publish the reviewer comments alongside their paper. For more information on TPR, read our editorial: **https://pubs.rsc.org/en/content/articlelanding/2023/ra/d3ra90060f**

"Peer review is a vital aspect of ensuring the quality and originality of the research published in RSC Advances. Over the last year we have introduced transparent peer review to improve the transparency of the peer review process and support ways to improve the quality of peer review. We thank all the reviewers that continue to support RSC Advances and very much appreciate their contributions, especially in the face of ever-increasing workloads." – Karen Faulds, Editor-in-Chief

"Our outstanding reviewers reflect the RSC Advances community: international, diverse, committed and outstanding experts in their scientific areas. I very much thank them for their dedication to the review process over the past year and their contributions to the continued success of the journal." – Russell J. Cox, Editor-in-Chief

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