

RECIPIENTS OF THE 2011 ACTA STUDENT AWARDS

A team of judges consisting of Acta Materialia, Scripta Materialia, and Acta Biomaterialia editors has completed the evaluation of nominees for the above awards. There were many excellent nominations and selecting the winners was a challenging task. Several factors were considered in the evaluation of each nominee: the quality of paper, or papers, for which he or she was nominated, recommendation letters, and leadership potential. The awardees selected from papers published in 2011 in the Acta Journals are:

Dr. Akhilesh K. Gaharwar, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA. Advisor, Prof. Gudrun Schmidt (at Purdue University). "Assessment of Using Laponite Cross-linked Poly(ethylene oxide) for Controlled Cell Adhesion and Mineralization," *Acta Biomaterialia* 7 (2011), 568-577, and "Transparent, Elastomeric and Tough Bio-Nanocomposites from Poly(ethylene glycol) and Silicate Nanoparticles," *Acta Biomaterialia* 7 (2011), 4139-4148

Mr. Chandan Mondal, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, INDIA. Advisor, Prof. K. Chattopadhyay. "Formation of a single, rotated-Brass {110}<556> texture by hot cross-rolling of an Al-Zn-Mg-Cu-Zr alloy," *Scripta Materialia* 64 (2011), 446-449

Mr. Stefan Pogatscher, University of Leoben, AUSTRIA. Advisor, Prof. Dr. Helmut Antrekowitsch. "Mechanisms controlling the artificial aging of Al-Mg-Si alloys," *Acta Materialia* 59 (2011), 3352-3363

Mr. Yong Sun, University of South Carolina, USA. Advisor, Prof. Xiaodong (Chris) Li. "Evaluation of local strain evolution from metallic whisker formation", *Scripta Materialia*, 65 (2011), 388-391

Ms. Hsin-jay Wu, National Tsing Hua University, TAIWAN. Advisor, Prof. Sinn-wen Chen. "Phase equilibria of Ag-Sb-Te thermoelectric materials," *Acta Materialia*, 59 (2011), 6463-6472

Mr. Adam Young, University of California, San Diego, USA. Advisor, Prof. Karen L. Christman. "Injectable hydrogel scaffold from decellularized human lipoaspirate," *Acta Biomaterialia* 7 (2011) 1040-1049

The editors would like to congratulate the awardees and thank all the nominees for their participation. We wish them all the best in their careers.

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