

News from the Editor

The C. W. Cotterman Award

In an effort to better recognize the contributions of our members in training, the American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Board of Directors, at its recent spring meeting, suggested the implementation of an award program based upon papers published in the *Journal*. The ASHG's C. W. Cotterman Award will be inaugurated, in honor of our first editor (July 1949–March 1952), for papers published in the *Journal* beginning with the September issue of this year. This award is intended for published articles on which the first author is either a pre- or postdoctoral trainee and is also an ASHG member in good standing at the time of submission. Only sole first-author nominations will be eligible. Each September, the Editorial Board of the *Journal* will select two *Journal* articles published in the preceding 12 months that represent outstanding contributions to the field of human genetics by a first-author trainee member. The award, consisting of a certificate and a monetary prize, will be presented at the annual ASHG meeting. There-

fore, effective immediately for all papers submitted to the *Journal*, the cover letter should indicate if the manuscript should be considered for the C. W. Cotterman Award, with certification by the trainee's mentor that the first author currently is a pre- or postdoctoral trainee, had major involvement in the study reported, and is an ASHG member in good standing.

Reference Style Change

To aid readers and the operation of the editorial office, the *Journal* will no longer truncate author lists in the References section for reference citations with up to 25 authors. Effective immediately, all submissions to the *Journal* should have citations formatted to include *all authors' names, without the use of "et al,"* for citations with ≤ 25 authors. For citations with ≥ 26 authors, list the first 7 authors, followed by "et al."

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