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Wiley-VCH shall be entitled to post the names of the winners of the Competition on the website.

l. Winner

The editors of the Macromolecular Journals will decide which contributions are published and enter the competition. The best contributions will go into the draw and the winner will be announced at the Macromolecular Colloquium 2016 in Freiburg and informed by mail.

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