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**“Tree of Life” Wins 2014 JALA & JBS Art of Science Contest**  
***Top Vote Getter Wins a \$500 Amazon Gift Card from the***  
***Journal of Laboratory Automation (JALA) and the Journal of Biomolecular Screening (JBS)***

**CHICAGO** – The Society for Laboratory Automation and Screening (SLAS) announces that Tomasz Koprowski of the Institute for Chemical and Bioengineering in Zurich, Switzerland, is the grand prize winner of the 2014 JALA & JBS Art of Science Contest.

Nine finalists from six countries were selected from 60 entries. SLAS members and nonmembers then voted for their favorite finalists at [SLAS.org](http://SLAS.org). “Tree of Life” by Tomasz Koprowski captures *C.elegans* worms on a chunk of agar and as the top vote-getter and grand prize winner, Koprowski received a \$500 Amazon gift card. The eight other finalists each received a \$25 Amazon gift card, and all finalists enjoyed 60 days free online access to the SAGE Pharmacology & Biomedical Collection.

Visualization plays an important role in the analysis and presentation of scientific work. In journal articles, images often communicate ideas and information in ways that text, tables, charts, graphs or equations cannot. Sometimes scientific images surpass this purpose and create shapes, patterns and designs that capture attention and imagination. Those are the images represented by the 2014 JALA & JBS Art of Science Contest finalists.

- Ludovic Autin, The Scripps Research Institute, La Jolla, CA, USA
- Muhammad Awais, Royal Liverpool and Broadgreen University Hospitals, Liverpool, UK
- Rakesh Karmacharya, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA
- Tomasz Koprowski, Institute for Chemical and Bioengineering, Zurich, Switzerland
- Josiane Lafleur, University of Copenhagen, Denmark
- Yi Lu, University of Arizona, Tucson, USA
- Alyce Nehme, University of New South Wales, Australia
- Leo Price, Ocello, The Netherlands
- Constantinos Zeinalipour, Cardiff University, UK

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For more information and to view the grand prize winner and finalists, visit [www.slas.org/publications/scientific-journals](http://www.slas.org/publications/scientific-journals), or watch the video at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mwv0jK7TSZM](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mwv0jK7TSZM).

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*SLAS publishes two internationally recognized, MEDLINE-indexed journals. **The Journal of Laboratory Automation (JALA)** and **Journal of Biomolecular Screening (JBS)** uniquely serve laboratory science and technology professionals who work primarily in life science R&D. Together, JALA and JBS address the full spectrum of issues that are mission-critical to this important audience, enabling scientific research teams to gain scientific insights, increase productivity, elevate data quality, reduce lab process cycle times and enable experimentation that otherwise would be impossible.*

*Specifically, JALA explores ways in which scientists adapt advancements in technology for scientific exploration and experimentation. In direct relation to this, JBS reports how scientists use adapted technology to pursue new therapeutics for unmet medical needs, including assay development, identification of chemical probes and target identification and validation in general.*

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