JDR Award for the Most Contributory Reviewer 2023:

# Message from the Winner



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I am honored to receive the JDR Award for the Most Contributory Reviewer 2023. I understand that giving awards to reviewers is rare, even among academic journals.

I am on the editorial board of a different journal, and I have learned that securing excellent reviewers will ensure the quality of the journal and will be an important factor in determining its future success or decline. Considering this, I am very happy that I have been asked to serve as a reviewer for the JDR many times, as it means that I am trusted as one of its excellent reviewers.

The JDR is an interdisciplinary journal, so people from various fields, such as science, engineering, and social sciences and humanities submit papers. When I review a paper, one of my criteria is whether the paper is written in a way that someone from a different field can understand it. I hope that the papers published in the JDR will not be "closed" papers within one field but will instead elucidate disaster phenomena from various fields. By combining the results of each field, the JDR creates synergistic effects and produces innovative and excellent research results in disaster research.

I believe that the JDR's bestowing this award on me is a signal that "We will continue to request peer reviews, so please continue to accept our requests." I would indeed like to continue to contribute to the further development of the JDR as a journal that publishes high-quality papers, and I sincerely thank the JDR very much for this prestigious award.

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