

## GINESTE PRIZE 2014

---

The **Gineste thesis prize 2014** has been delivered on April, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015. Dr Jianxia ZHENG who defended her PhD thesis on October, 8, 2014, has been awarded the Gineste prize for her innovative work on earth-abundant transition metal-catalyzed hydrosilylation and hydroborylation reactions, that was carried out under the supervision of Dr. Jean-Baptiste Sortais and Prof. Christophe Darcel (Centre for Catalysis and Green Chemistry, Organometallics: Materials and Catalysis team). Her research project was devoted to the development of earth abundant transition metals such as manganese, iron and nickel as catalysts for reduction of carbonyl and carboxylic derivatives, the direct reductive amination, the methylation of secondary amines by dimethylcarbonate and the hydroborylation of functional alkenes. Her results have been published in 10 publications including in leading international journals such as *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. & Chem. Commun.*

