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**Martin Olsson\*** ([molsson@math.berkeley.edu](mailto:molsson@math.berkeley.edu)), Department of Mathematics, 970 Evans Hall #3840, Berkeley, CA 94720-3840. *The Picard group of the moduli stack of elliptic curves.*

I will report on joint work with William Fulton. In a beautiful 1965 paper, Mumford introduced the notion of the Picard group of a stack (though not in the modern language), and computed the Picard group of the moduli stack of elliptic curves over a field of characteristic not 2 or 3 to be isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}/(12)$ . This naturally leads to the question: If  $S$  is a scheme and  $\mathcal{M}_{1,1,S}$  denotes the moduli stack over  $S$  classifying elliptic curves, what is  $Pic(\mathcal{M}_{1,1,S})$ ? In this talk I will give an essentially complete answer to this question as well as the analogous question for the standard compactification  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{1,1}$  of  $\mathcal{M}_{1,1}$ . (Received September 01, 2006)