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Subject: A Special Invitation from Mayor Ebrard and the New York Academy of Sciences

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Dear Dr. Tonatiuh Matos Chassin,

I'm delighted to inform you that you've been identified as a scientist to be named a sponsored member of the New York Academy of Sciences through its unique alliance with Mexico City. Designed to promote and develop the capital city's scientific and technical resources and expertise, this initiative will be launched with "Science and Innovation Week" this fall. As Mayor Marcelo Ebrard states, "Today, the City's government and the New York Academy of Sciences are working together to develop and promote the Science & Innovation Week that will take place in September 2008. For this event, we will host scientific and technology experts and innovative entrepreneurs from different parts of the world to explore topics such as nanotechnology, sustainability of the processes of production, and energy and health technologies."

The New York Academy of Sciences is pleased to be an active partner in this historic effort to shift Mexico City's economy from one focused on manufacturing to one based on knowledge, and look forward to making you a partner in this effort as well. In total, 1,600 scientists will become sponsored members of the Academy through this initiative - 600 faculty and 1,000 students.

Please reply to this email address before Thursday, June 12, 2008 to confirm that you wish to be a part of this important alliance. Your membership will be created at no individual cost to you. In addition, we ask that you provide us with your top five graduate students and/or postdoctoral fellows who should also be named sponsored members of the Academy. In order to create complimentary memberships for the scientists you nominate, please provide us with each personâ €TMs name, email address, department and area of scientific research (below you will find details of the various scientific topics). We look forward to creating the memberships for you and your students as part of this initiative. Benefits include memberâ€TMs access to NYAS' online content, one free Annals volume, membership

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David Smith Director, Membership The New York Academy of Sciences