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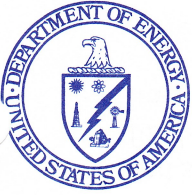
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Professor Ashutosh Kotwal  
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Dear Professor Kotwal:

I am writing to congratulate you on receiving one of the Year 2000 Department of Energy Outstanding Junior Investigator Awards. This Award recognizes your significant contributions to high energy physics and the leadership in the field that you have already demonstrated. It also expresses our confidence that you will continue to make important contributions in the future.

Since the Outstanding Junior Investigator program was started in 1978, each year the Department has made these Awards to a few very promising, nontenured, high energy physicists. This year six Awards were made, selected from among the 36 proposals which were submitted to the program. They were chosen by peer review, on the basis of technical and scientific merit. The Awards give junior faculty members direct control over research funds, to accommodate the specific needs of each researcher and to increase their independence and scope in formulating and pursuing their own research goals.

It is our hope that the recognition and independence this Outstanding Junior Investigator Award confers will help you in developing your own research program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Robert Wood".

Handwritten initials "Jw" in blue ink.

John R. O'Fallon  
Director  
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cc:  
Al Goshaw, Department Chairman





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February 4, 2000

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Dear Professor Kotwal:

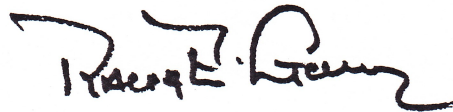
It is a great pleasure for me to inform you that you have been selected as an Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellow.

As you know, this is an extraordinarily competitive award, involving nominations for most of the very best scientists of your generation from around the country. I hope that your selection from among this remarkable group of nominees will give you particular personal satisfaction, and convey a clear indication of the high esteem in which your past work and future potential are held by your fellow scientists.

The Sloan Research Fellowship carries with it a grant of \$40,000, to be used in a flexible and largely unrestricted manner so as to provide the most constructive possible support of your research. Details are described in the enclosed memorandum.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Maureen Gassman who is responsible for the administration of the Fellowship Program. In the meantime, my warmest congratulations on your success in this highly competitive program, and my best wishes for a productive tenure as a Sloan Research Fellow.

Sincerely,



Ralph E. Gomory

Enclosure

Copy: Professor Robert P. Behringer, Chair

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February 11, 2000

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Dear Ashutosh:

I am writing to congratulate you on being selected as a Sloan Fellow. This award ranks among the most prestigious honors for scientists at the beginning of their academic career. We are very proud that four of these exclusive fellowships have been awarded to Duke scholars this year, demonstrating the increasing recognition of the younger members of our faculty on the national scene.

I celebrate this recognition and wish you much continued success in your academic career.

Sincerely yours,



Berndt Mueller

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February 16, 2000

Dr. Ashutosh V. Kotwal  
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Dear Ashutosh:

It is with great pleasure that I send you my heartiest congratulations on being selected as an Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellow. I understand that only a few of these awards are given each year and they are very competitive. Duke University is fortunate to have you as a member of our faculty. Best wishes for your success in this program, and, again, congratulations on your accomplishment.

Sincerely,



Peter Lange  
Provost

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c: Professor, Berndt Mueller  
Professor Robert Behringer, Department Chair