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Dear Eric McDaniel,

It is a pleasure to inform you that your project, "*Conversion of Fossilized Diatom into Titania Photocatalyst with Preserved Periodic Structural Hierarchy*", has been approved for funding in the 2010 Undergraduate Summer Research and Creative Activity Program (USRCAP). If you accept this offer, you will receive a stipend of \$2,750. As currently planned, you will receive the disbursement checks as follows: \$850 in early June, \$950 in early July, \$850 in early August, and \$100 when you submit your Final Report to the Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR-UT). The checks will be available from Fran Molnar (SL1020). We require that you have spent at least 150 hours on your project before we will release your July check and 300 hours before we will release your August check. If you requested a supplies/travel budget in excess of \$250, this year it will be limited to \$250. This money will be transferred to your faculty mentor's department account. Processing of supplies will be conducted through her/his department.

You are expected to devote your full attention to your research during the summer period in a manner agreed upon between you and your faculty mentor. Nominally, the summer research session is scheduled to begin June 01, 2010, however you may begin your research at a date agreed upon between you and your faculty mentor. To help facilitate research time management, you will be required to turn in biweekly time cards to OUR-UT and follow the guidelines as set forth in the Student Research Handbook. At the end of the project period, you (with editing by your faculty mentor) are expected to furnish the Office of Undergraduate Research a written Final Report. This report is due no later than at the end of Fall Semester 2010. The information you supply will be included in publications produced by this office. In addition to your written report, we are currently planning a summer seminar series (ARS2980) one day per week of which you will be expected to attend. You should present your research at a symposium (currently planned for the end of the summer session) to showcase the undergraduate research conducted in Summer 2010. You are also strongly encouraged to present your research in your department or at an Honors Bag Lunch, if applicable. Finally, we strongly encourage you to present your research at the National Conference for Undergraduate Research (NCUR).

We take this opportunity to congratulate you on this award and wish you every success in carrying out your project. If you have any questions during the course of the research period, please do not hesitate to call the Office of Undergraduate Research at 419.530.2983.

Please reply to me (thomas.kvale@utoledo.edu and/or undergradresearch@utoledo.edu) by email by Friday, May 07, 2010, of your decision to accept or reject this offer. If you accept, we will send you follow-up forms needed to process your stipend. If you successfully complete all of the program's requirements, a notation that you participated in this program will be placed on your official UT transcript.

Sincerely,

Thomas Kvale
Director, Office of Undergraduate Research

Cc: Prof. Abdul-Majeed Azad, faculty mentor
Larry Connin, Associate Director, Office of Undergraduate Research
Fran Molnar, Administrative Assistant, Office of Undergraduate Research