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Dear Professor Hell,

On behalf of the members of the Romanian Academy and of myself, I would like to congratulate you for being awarded the 2014 Nobel Prize for Chemistry, and for your fantastic achievement in 'the development of super-resolved fluorescence microscopy'.

We remember with great pleasure your participation in the International Conference ROMOPTO Micro-to Nano-Photonics in 2012, and your contributions to the academic activity as an honorary member of the Romanian Academy, and we wish to express our hopes that we shall rejoice in your presence at the next edition of the ROMOPTO Conference in 2015.

I take this opportunity to express our hopes that this groundbreaking work of launching optical nanoscopy into the neuronal and cancer research will be further developed, eventually in some projects with Romanian young scientists, leading to new extraordinary scientific discoveries and innovations.

Please accept our highest esteem and best wishes,

Prof. Ionel-Valentin Vlad