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Mr. Ali Marjaninejad, M.Sc.
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Re: The SBMT 2019 Student Outstanding Leadership & Service Award

Dear Mr. Marjaninejad,

It is our immense pleasure to announce that the award committee of the SBMT has selected you to receive the **2019 Student Outstanding Leadership and Service Award**. This prestigious award is given by the SBMT and the Brain Mapping Foundation to students, or student researchers who work to promote the ideals of SBMT.

The society recognizes the extra dedicated effort you have demonstrated while pursuing your PhD and simultaneously serving as a student trustee of SBMT, and still finding time to expand the SBMT student network through your work in establishing 4 new student chapters at USC, UCI, UCR and Loma Linda University. These efforts ensure the future of SBMT by bringing more future leaders of neuro science medicine and research into the organization.

As you may know, in the last two decades, Society for Brain Mapping and Therapeutics (SBMT) and Brain Mapping Foundation (BMF) have been on the forefront of neuroscience policy, scientific discoveries and technological development in the field of clinical and translational neuroscience. The Society and the foundation annually recognize pioneers in the field at its convention, which has over 400 invited speakers.

The foundation has been bringing state-of-the-art science and technology to the wounded soldiers, veterans and civilians in the last 15 years; both the Foundation and the Society have been instrumental in both the design and formulation of Obama's BRAIN initiative, G20 Summit Brain Initiative/ Neuroscience 20 and California's Brain Technology and Innovation Park Initiative.

The award will be presented to you at the 16th Annual "Gathering for the Cure" gala on Saturday, March 16th, 2019 from 6-11PM PST at the Intercontinental Hotel in Downtown LA.

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This event resembles the Oscars, but it is aimed for scientists, technologists, policymakers and inspiring individuals who have impacted the field of neuroscience globally. Over 450 top scientists, celebrities, healthcare executives, surgeons and engineers with their spouse will be celebrating multiple award presentations to their colleagues. Here is a 6-minute video about the Foundation and the Society's role in global brain innovation and discovery:

<https://vimeo.com/233754308>

Please feel free to contact Dr. Kateb at 1-310-980-8340 should you have any questions. We look forward to your participation in this event.

Sincerely and Respectfully,

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