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Dear Prof. Bissell,

I am pleased to inform you that the Committee of the ROTHSCHILD-YVETTE MAYENT-INSTITUT CURIE Award has met on December 3, 2008, and recommended to the President of the INSTITUT CURIE, Prof. Claude HURIET, to accept your application, for a three-month stay in the laboratory of Dr. Olivier DELATTRE (from April to June 2009). You will receive an official advice about this award from the Presidency of the Institut Curie.

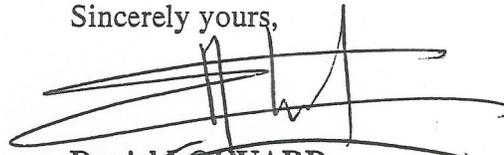
I am in the position to tell you that you will receive a monthly salary of 4533,55 € (brutto - approximatively 25 % of this amount will be deducted for social security benefits). In addition your travel expenses (about 1800 €, as indicated by our travel agency) for one round trip from San Francisco to Paris will be reimbursed to you.

I will appreciate if you could confirm, at your earliest convenience, your acceptance of this award, as well as the starting date of your visit at the INSTITUT CURIE. When we receive this information, Mrs. Elodie Le Coz (Elodie.le-coz@curie.fr), the administrative officer of the Research Center will get in touch with you to prepare the official documents allowing you to work at the INSTITUT CURIE and receive your allowance. The preparation of all documents is rather tedious and sometimes lengthy, so it will be necessary to initiate the procedure long in advance as recommended by the administrative officer.

Congratulation for this success. I am looking forward to seeing you at the INSTITUT CURIE.

As advised previously, you will be asked during your stay in our Institute to deliver a serie of lectures for advanced graduate students and scientists on topics of your choice.

Sincerely yours,



**Daniel LOUVARD**  
Director of the Research Center  
**INSTITUT CURIE**