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Dear Professor Ye,

As the chair of the **2017 Gordon Research Conference (GRC) on Carbohydrates**, I am very pleased to invite you to attend the conference and to present a short talk on your research program.

The 2017 GRC on Carbohydrates will be held at **Mount Snow Grand Summit Resort** (39 Mount Snow Road, West Dover, Vermont) on **June 25-30, 2017**. This GRC is shaping up to be one of the most exciting and important international conferences in glycoscience and glycotechnology since the first GRC on Carbohydrates in 1969. In keeping up with this tradition, we have assembled an outstanding roster of speakers and discussion leaders to cover the diverse field of carbohydrate research as it pertains to the pharmaceutical and biotech industry, including fundamental research in synthetic and analytical carbohydrate chemistry, recent developments of enabling technologies for functional glycomics, the molecular understanding of protein-carbohydrate interactions, the development of carbohydrate-based therapeutic agents and vaccines, and the exploration of specific glycan recognition in biotech and medicine. One of the unique features of this conference is the focus on unpublished work at the cutting edge of the field. In addition, the format provides ample time for discussions during the oral presentations, poster sessions, and informal activities. As a result, the Gordon conference provides an ideal venue to discuss new technologies, foster new collaborations, and exchange ideas in both formal and informal settings. Based on the current program and past history, we expect the meeting will attract a diverse, international group of scientists from industry, government, and academia. For additional information on the program and logistics of the meeting, please refer to the GRC-Carbohydrates web page, <http://www.grc.org/programs.aspx?id=11035>, which is updated periodically.

I look forward to your reply and, hopefully, your participation in the 2017 GRC on Carbohydrates.

Best regards,

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