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January 30, 2020

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Dear Samuel:

**Congratulations!** You have been selected to receive the “**Helen & Rolf Illsley Scholarship**” from the Society of Vacuum Coaters Foundation in the amount of \$2,700.

This award is subject to the terms and conditions of the Scholarship Program of the Society of Vacuum Coaters Foundation. The scholarship funds will be disbursed directly to your school within the next 60 days. You will need to request a letter from the registrar certifying that you are a currently enrolled student. This letter should be sent directly to the SVC Foundation and copied to my e-mail address (jhilfiker@jawaollam.com).

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Attention: Jacque Matanis  
(505)897-7743  
jacque.matanis@svc.org

**Confirmation / Photograph:** Please confirm (no later than February 7, 2019) via email indicating that you accept this scholarship.

I have several additional important requests:

A) We would like to receive ASAP two recent digital photos. The first (and most urgent photo) should be a profile photo of yourself (headshot). For the second photo we find it useful to show you in a school or laboratory setting (e.g., using some vacuum or characterization equipment). We plan to use the photos as part of our promotion of the Foundation’s scholarship program. To see examples from past scholarship winners, you can check our [website](#).

B) Send us a thank you note addressed to the Helen & Rolf Illsley Scholarship Fund (the donor of your scholarship) which expresses what this scholarship personally means to you. The note can be sent to my attention (jhilfiker@jawaollam.com) and I will make sure it is forwarded to the Fund donors.

I am copying Professors Boltasseva and Shalaev as their letters of recommendation were very supportive. The Foundation recognizes the close link between student researcher and his/her mentors.



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I congratulate you on your achievement and hope that we may meet in the future. If you need any further assistance, please contact me directly at [jhilfiker@jwoollam.com](mailto:jhilfiker@jwoollam.com).

Sincerely,

James N. Hilfiker  
Chair, Scholarship Committee

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