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Dear Yixuan,

It is my pleasure to announce that you have been selected as a recipient of the 2021-22 UC San Diego Physical Sciences Dean's Undergraduate Award for Excellence.

As the Division of Physical Sciences considers its origins with the late Harold Urey and a group of colleagues who strove to create a university that would stress the boundaries of chemistry, mathematics, and physics, it seemed fitting to establish an award that recognizes excellence in academics and fundamental research. Today, with nearly 4,000 undergraduate majors enrolled in the Departments of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Mathematics, and Physics, you are one of 26 being recognized for academic excellence.

As your Dean, I salute your extraordinary efforts and encourage you to continue on a career path of honor and distinction. In addition to the recognition of this honor, you will be eligible to receive a \$1,000 award. These funds were generously given by Physical Sciences alumni, parents, and friends who strongly support your scholarly endeavors. Information regarding the awards presentation in May will follow at the start of the year.

Again, on behalf of the Division of Physical Sciences, I congratulate you on this honor.

Sincerely,

Steven E. Boggs

Dean, Division of Physical Sciences Chancellor's Associates Chair in Physics

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