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Dear Mr Tom McCarthy,

Greetings from BioSpectrum Asia!

I am extremely delighted to inform you that **BioSpectrum Asia, the leading publication on Life Sciences in Asia-Pacific published from Singapore**, has chosen Spinifex Pharmaceuticals, Australia for the **4th BioSpectrum Asia-Pacific Emerging Company of the Year Award 2012**.

The company was chosen for its innovative work on EMA401, a potential first-in-class oral treatment for neuropathic pain and related symptoms without central nervous system side effects. The Awards function in Singapore is now an annual affair every March.

The BioSpectrum Editors chose you from a short list of nominees, prepared by the magazine's editorial team. Every year, BioSpectrum recognizes 6-10 companies in the Asia Pacific region with this Award. A profile of the award winner will appear in the March 2012 edition of BioSpectrum. The award consists of a citation and trophy and will be presented at a glittering function at **The Legends, Fort Canning, Singapore on Friday, 16th March 2012**.

At ceremony, BioSpectrum will also present the Awards chosen by an independent jury constituted by BioSpectrum. **The BioSpectrum Asia Jury Award winners in 2012 are:**

1. **BioSpectrum Asia-Pacific Life Time Achievement Award 2012: Dr John Ballard, Director, BR Angels, Australia**
2. **BioSpectrum Asia-Pacific Person of the Year 2012: Mr Sup Il-Huh, President & CEO, Green Cross, Korea**
3. **BioSpectrum Entrepreneur of the Year 2012: Dr Wilbert Huang, President & CEO, Abnova, Taiwan**
4. **BioSpectrum Product of the Year 2012: (Medtech) HypoMon, AIMEDICS, Australia; (BioScience) ACHNIL, Venus Remedies, India**

**The Jury members were:**

1. **Dr Y K Hamid, CMD, Cipla, India**
2. **Dr Nazlee Kamal, CEO, BiotechCorp, Malaysia**
3. **Mr Sarath Naru, Managing Partner, Venture East, India**
4. **Mr Brendan Shaw, CEO, Medicines, Australia**
5. **Ms Cheryl McCaffery, Deputy Director, Industry Development Group, A\*Star, Singapore**
6. **Mr Seoung-Kyou Lee, Executive Director, KoreaBio**
7. **Mr Abraham Mathew, Group Editor, BioSpectrum**

I look forward to your acceptance and presence at the Awards function in person to receive the honor. Please feel free contact me for any clarification on my hand phone +91 98 455 18573.

I request you to mark a copy of your acceptance to my colleague and Editor, Ms Nandita Singh (nanditas@cybermedia.co.in) to facilitate publication of the Awardee profile in the March edition of BioSpectrum Asia. She can be contacted at +91 98 456 47595.

With warm regards,



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**Editor's Choice: Emerging Companies of the Year Winners 2012**

- **Legochem BioScience, South Korea**
- **Biobot Surgical, Singapore**
- **HistoIndex, Singapore**
- **Spinifex Pharmaceuticals, Australia**
- **Simugen, Malaysia**
- **Taimed Biologics, Taiwan**
- **Mitra Biotech, India**