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Dear Dr. Vrochidis:

On behalf of the Brown Medical School, I am pleased to inform you that you have received a Dean's Teaching Excellence Award for your outstanding teaching in Bio 390: Clerkship in Surgery. These awards were established this academic year to recognize exemplary teaching by campus-based and clinical faculty and residents in preclinical courses and in core clerkships. As a recipient, you will be presented with a Teaching Excellence Award pin and a certificate of recognition. This letter of commendation will also be placed in your faculty file. The selection criteria for the award is outlined below:

To receive the award, a preclinical faculty member must 1) lecture one or more times in a course or in related courses during the academic year; and/or 2) facilitate small-group learning for at least four sessions; and 3) receive on the classroom teaching assessment forms students complete a rating of 2.00 or less on a 5 point scale (1=excellent) for first-year courses and 4.00 or higher on a 5-point scale (5= excellent) in second-year courses or its equivalent in clinically-based first- or second-year courses.

Clerkship directors will determine the selection criteria for the teaching excellence award in their core clerkship. Both faculty and residents are eligible for the award.

The teaching excellence awards will be presented at the end-of-the year department meetings or recognition dinners.

Again, congratulations on receiving the Dean's Teaching Award. I greatly appreciate your commitment to teaching and to improving medical education at the Medical School.

Sincerely,

Donald J. Marsh, MD
Dean of Medicine and
Biological Sciences

cc: W. Oh, S. Rounds, S. Smith