

Speech of Professor
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You're Royal Highness,
My Lords,
Distinguished Guests,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

The King Faisal Foundation has chosen, this year, to recognize Medical Research Contributions in the field of Diabetes Mellitus, a disease - or a family of diseases that afflict today some 50 to 100 million of human beings throughout the world. It is a disorder that, once acquired, is present for life and one that has many ruffling consequences for those it strikes. Even when recognized and when the patients have access to excellent medical advice, maintenance of life and near-normal activity and health requires great efforts and participation of the patient in understanding his or her disease and in controlling it for as long as they live. Especially children who become diabetic have to learn to live all of their life with a degree of self-control and willingness to understand and collaborate that is both considerable and advisable. Because of this, in accepting the great honor that the King Faisal Foundations extends to research workers in this field today, I should like to express that the honor extends also to the intelligence, understanding and necessary discipline that many of the diabetic patients involved exhibit to themselves, to their physicians and families, and no human education and adorability in general.

I am also proud to accept the great honor that is extended today by

the King Faisal Foundation in the name of International Cooperation
Medicine and in Science, and while fully recognizing my indebtedness
to my teachers, my collaborators - both older and - especially - younger,
to my colleagues my family and my friends. Please allow me also to
mention the life-long support and loving help of my recently deceased
life - mate and wife.
Thank you very much indeed.