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Dear Dr. Carter:

Congratulations to you and your colleagues at University of Massachusetts Amherst on winning a National Science Foundation award to support your project, "Synthesis and Studies of Conjugated Poly(Ionomers) as Next Generation Materials for Advanced Polymer Electronics." This federal grant reflects our national commitment to funding research that will lead to new and enhanced technologies, procedures and services that will improve lives and power our economy.

I am a supporter of research funding and co-sponsored the reauthorization of the America COMPETES Act, which provides funding to support science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) researching at universities and colleges. This reauthorization was signed into law in early 2011.

I wish you continued success and thank you for your important work. If you plan to visit the Washington, D.C. area I hope you will contact my officer to arrange a tour of the Capitol. It is an honor to serve you in the United States Senate.

Sincerely,

Scott P. Brown  
United States Senator