

Nobel Laureate Visits 3M's Dubai Innovation Center to Promote Science, Creativity and Invention

3M, a global science-based company that inspires creative collaboration, today welcomed Nobel Laureate, Martin Chalfie, for an interactive session at its state-of-the-art innovation center in Dubai. Professor Chalfie was a speaker at the two day '[Nobel Prize Series](#)' event produced by Nobel Media and the Nobel Museum in partnership with Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum Foundation. The session was attended by key 3M partners, customers and government representatives.

"We are honored to receive Professor Martin Chalfie at the 3M Innovation Center in Dubai and gain his expert perspective on science, technology and innovation. At 3M, we use science every day to create real impact in every life around the world," said Andrei Holban, regional managing director for the Middle East and Africa region at 3M. "Inspired by Dubai's leadership and its vision to promote the Emirate as a hub for global innovation, we are constantly striving to create an environment fostering creativity and imaginative forward thinking, which we believe will help us drive sustainable development."

The Nobel Laureate's visit to the 3M Innovation Center in Dubai is in line with 3M's recently announced international partnership with Nobel Media. This collaboration brings together two respected organizations committed to the advancement of innovation, education and scientific research.

3M is a sponsor of the Nobel Prize Series Dubai, which took place March 20-21, 2016, and featured three Nobel Laureates – Martin Chalfie (Chemistry, 2008), George F. Smoot (Physics, 2006) and Kurt Wüthrich (Chemistry, 2002) – as well as business leaders, academics, policymakers and students. The theme for the Dubai event was "Learning for Life," with the goal of raising increased public engagement in science.

Martin Chalfie shared the 2008 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the discovery and development of the Green Fluorescent Protein (GFP) as a biological marker, now a fundamental tool in many areas of research, including cell biology, developmental biology, genetics, neurobiology and the medical sciences. A Professor at Columbia University, he obtained his A.B. and Ph.D. from Harvard University and did postdoctoral research with Sydney Brenner at the MRC Laboratory of Molecular Biology before moving to Columbia in 1982.

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