

**Declaration accepted by the Plenary Meeting of the Nobel Laureates at
the PETRA IV Meeting on 19 June 2008 and released by
the Elie Wiesel Foundation**

We, undersigned Nobel Laureates, commend the remarkable progress made in creating the SESAME Synchrotron Light Source. It will provide a major center for scientific research, with ownership shared by many nations of the Middle East. Thereby, SESAME, as well as producing educational and economic benefits, will serve as a beacon, demonstrating how shared scientific initiatives can help light the way towards peace. We urge all friends of science and peace to lend their encouragement and support to this exemplary project.

Signed by 44 Laureates (see list below)

Kenneth J. Arrow	Economics	1972
Günter Blobel	Physiology or Medicine	1999
Paul D. Boyer	Chemistry	1997
Aaron Ciechanover	Chemistry	2004
Claude Cohen-Tannoudji	Physics	1997
Elias James Corey	Chemistry	1990
Paul J. Crutzen	Chemistry	1995
Frederik W. de Klerk	Peace	1993
Johann Deisenhofer	Chemistry	1988
Sir Martin J. Evans	Physiology or Medicine	2007
John B. Fenn	Chemistry	2002
Edmond H. Fischer	Physiology or Medicine	1992
Jerome I. Friedman	Physics	1990
Donald A. Glaser	Physics	1960
Clive W.J. Granger	Economics	2003
Paul Greengard	Physiology or Medicine	2000
David J. Gross	Physics	2004
Roger Guillemin	Physiology or Medicine	1977
Dudley R. Herschbach	Chemistry	1986
Avram Hershko	Chemistry	2004
Roald Hoffmann	Chemistry	1981
John Hume	Peace	1998
Eric R. Kandel	Physiology or Medicine	2000
Roger D. Kornberg	Chemistry	2006
Finn E. Kydland	Economics	2004
Yuan T. Lee	Chemistry	1986
Jean-Marie Lehn	Chemistry	1987
Rudolph A. Marcus	Chemistry	1992
Craig C. Mello	Physiology or Medicine	2006
Ferid Murad	Physiology or Medicine	1998
Erwin Neher	Physiology or Medicine	1991
William D. Phillips	Physics	1997

John C. Polanyi	Chemistry	1986
Stanley B. Prusiner	Physiology or Medicine	1997
Robert C. Richardson	Physics	1996
Burton Richter	Physics	1976
Richard J. Roberts	Physiology or Medicine	1993
Wole Soyinka	Literature	1986
Gerardus 't Hooft	Physics	1999
Martinus J.G. Veltman	Physics	1999
Klaus von Klitzing	Physics	1985
Elie Wiesel	Peace	1986
Frank Wilczek	Physics	2004
Betty Williams	Peace	1976