

## WHAT IS A "CORRESPONDENT"?

Correspondents are members of the National Academy of Sciences, National Academy of Engineering, and National Academy of Medicine who elect to be kept informed of the CHR's events and activities.

Roughly 1,500 members of the Academies serve as CHR Correspondents.

### **CORRESPONDENTS:**

- receive periodic email alerts on relevant events, volunteering opportunities, and other initiatives at the intersection of human rights and science, technology, and health

- gain access to the CHR's private annual report and other confidential updates on the CHR's work

- are alerted to the situations of colleagues under threat and provided fast-response options to support them through the CHR's Action Alert system



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## ABOUT THE CHR

The CHR is a standing membership committee of the National Academy of Sciences, National Academy of Engineering, and National Academy of Medicine. It serves as a bridge between the human rights and scientific communities, in recognition of the importance of rights protection for scientific inquiry and the realization of human dignity worldwide.

The CHR:

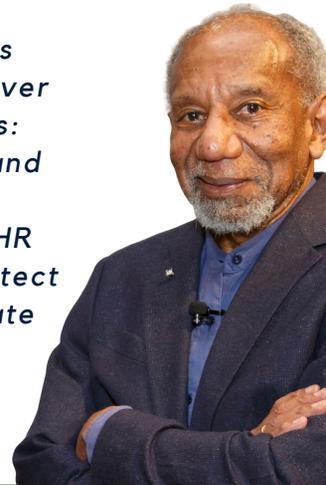
**-advocates** in support of colleagues subjected to serious human rights abuses worldwide, with a focus on individuals targeted for their professional activities or the exercise of other internationally protected rights.

**-assists** colleagues under threat by linking them to a range of support services.

**-raises awareness** of issues at the intersection of science, technology, health, and human rights through events, publications, and other media.

*"Three great traditions have been achieved over the past five centuries: science, democracy, and human rights. My participation in the CHR provides a way to protect and ultimately celebrate all three at the same time."*

*-Felton Earls (NAM)*



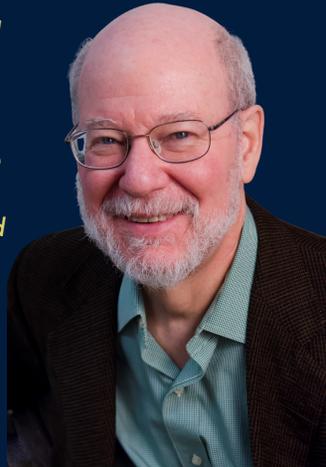
*"Participating in CHR is a way that I can support the values and principles that really matter to me including liberty, equality, open scientific inquiry and its application to benefit our world."*

*-Ellen Ochoa (NAE)*



*"The CHR has long had a major impact advocating at the highest levels to protect the integrity of scientific inquiry and the human rights of scientists, engineers, and health professionals around the world."*

*-Bob Horvitz  
(NAS/NAM)*



*"I consider what CHR does to be a really important way for the Academies to have a real, positive impact on the world."*

*-Mariana Wolfner  
(NAS)*

***"We need the support of the international community. We need to feel that there are people behind us. It is a moral support. It is not tangible, but it has a deep meaning in the heart."***

*-Dr. Mudawi Ibrahim Adam,  
a Sudanese engineer*

*Jailed on charges related to his human rights work, Dr. Mudawi was pardoned in 2017 after significant international pressure, including appeals from CHR Correspondents.*

