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Prof. Atta-ur-Rahman is President of Pakistan Academy of Sciences. He was elected as Fellow of Royal Society (London) and Honorary Life Fellow of Kings College, Cambridge University. He won the prestigious UNESCO Science Prize. He served as the Federal Minister for Science and Technology, Federal Minister of Education (2002) and Chairman/Federal Minister of the Higher Education Commission during 2002-2008.

Prof. Rahman has 910 publications in several fields of organic chemistry including 701 research publications, 27 international patents, 117 books and 65 chapters in books published by major world presses. He is Editor-in-Chief of 12 European Chemistry journals and Editor of "Studies in Natural Product Chemistry" (40 volumes published by Elsevier Science, Netherlands).

He has been conferred honorary doctorate degrees by many universities including Cambridge University. Many institutions have been named after him including Atta-ur-Rahman Research Institute of Natural Product Research in UniversitiTeknologi Mara in Malaysia. The Austrian government honoured him with its highest civil award ("Grosse Goldene EhrenzeischenamBande") and the Pakistan government has conferred the four highest civil awards.

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