Dear Professor,

Thank you very much for taking the time to participate in our investigation. Before you answer the questions, you need to know the following three points:

- There are some questions that will be related to our project. Browse our project in advance will help you understand it. You can find it in the mail attachments "project description.pdf".
- 2. Your reply will be displayed on the web: http://2015.igem.org/Team:NJAU China/Practices. If there are parts of the content you don't want to display, please give us a special note in reply and we will keep your secret.
- **3.** In order to maintain the smooth flow of the text, we will change some parts of the contents, but will not change the real meaning of the dialogue.

If you clearly understand and agree with the three points, let's start this virtual interview!

Part 1. Your view of the current cellular memory field

- 1. We know that biological memory is a very attractive field, some scientists are also working on the pioneering research in this area. So please simply describe your work in this field.
- 2. What is the most advanced technology in this field? Whether there is a mainstream trend in guiding the development of this field? If so, what is it like?
- 3. What do you think is the social driving force in the development of this field? Or it is a pure theory research in your opinion?

Part 2. Your understanding of the nature of biological memory

- 1. In your opinion, what is the biological memory? If you can use one sentence to define biological memory or to make an analogy, what would you say?
- 2. Everything needs to have its own characteristics. So what do you think should be the characteristics of biological memory? If you need to pick one of the most important from them, which one will you choose? And why?
- 3. In your opinion, what are the advantages of biological memory compared with the traditional storage methods?
- 4. Do you think there are examples of biological memory that can be used in real life? If so, please simply describe one or two.

Part 3. Your opinion on our project

1. Do you think our project is consistent with your understanding of the biological memory?

- 2. Do you think our project has met the characteristics of biological memory?
- 3. What do you think is the advantages of our project compared with other bio memory products?
- 4. What do you think is the weaknesses of our project compared with other bio memory products?
- 5. By which part do you think we can further improve our project?
- 6. Do you have any other comments about our project?

The interview is over. Please reply to $\underline{10113105@njau.edu.cn}$ in the form of e-mail. Thank you again for your support and cooperation!

Your sincerely, NJAU_China