

## Report of BSCB/BSDB spring joint meeting

Thanks to the SRF travel grant that I have the chance to go to BSCD/BSDB joint meeting this year. This spring meeting is themed with cytoskeleton and stem cell. It combined both developmental and cell biology together featuring two fields of studies could help and promote each other.

During the meeting, it is amazing to see the most cutting edge studies and technique used to tackle questions in the field. For example, Nano technology to create experimental environment and different microscopies to record cellular movement are all very exciting. Also, how and why cytoskeleton works in different scenarios such as mitosis and contact inhibition. In the developmental biology talks, I learned how cell migration contributes to development. During the poster session, I was very glad to know people also doing different studies using the same technique and it is very helpful for me to discuss some experiments with them and learn from them.

What is more, the invited speakers gave very exciting talks and I had a chance to see how those famous people in the field do their studies. Listening to the how those classic and text model come from is really amazing. During the talks I also learned emouseatlas database which is a 3D mouse embryo models with descriptive anatomy of different genes related with development disorder.

I benefited enormously from this meeting. Those unpublished results gave me a chance to receive the latest information and apply to my own study. And some of the workshops and talks gave me an idea of choosing my career after PhD.

Finally I appreciated very much the chance SRF society gave me to come to this meeting.

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