

## A visit to Boston

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With the support from ALPS, I visited prof. Joshua Kritzer's group (Tufts University), prof. Krishna Kumar 's group (Tufts University) and prof. Jack Szostak's group (Harvard Medical School).

Both of Prof. Kritzer's group and prof. Kumar's located in Pearson chemical laboratory, Tufts University. During the stay, I gave an unofficial talk of my own research for these groups. We discussed about the experimental details and I received many useful suggestions. Even though I am not able to conduct any experiments in their labs, by shadowing individual students, we exchanged our experimental tips and ideas.

In the end, I went to prof. Szostak's group located in Simches Research Center. Prof. Szostack is a Nobel laureate and currently his group is interested in understanding of the origin of life. The research interests of his group are very different from what I am doing, but I enjoyed all the presentation given by his students and discussion we had.

I appreciated the support from ALPS, which allowed me to visit laboratories that I am interested in and experience a different research life. All the professors and their students are kind and warm hearted. I indeed had an informative and enjoyable visit!



**Pearson chemical laboratory  
(Tufts University)**



**Simches Research Center  
(Harvard Medical School)**