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MENTOR PROFILE FOR STUDENTS TO REVIEW

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Your background summary: (Please limit to 200 words) I did graduate research on hormone signaling and protein degradation in plants. I now work for two biological databases. One focuses on plant biochemistry and metabolism and the other focuses on genetic and genomic resources for the model plant Arabidopsis thaliana.

Briefly write about your science and/or engineering interests: I am interested in general molecular biology, plant biology, and plant biochemistry. I am also interested in how organisms interact with their ecosystems and environments.

Projects from which scientific category (one or more) would you be interested in mentoring? Categories are explained in detail at

http://synopsys.championship.googlepages.com/scientificcategoriesforprojects. Botany, Environmental Sciences, Biochemistry/ Microbiology

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