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Dear Aniruddha:

Congratulations! It is my pleasure to offer you a 2022 Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship in Computational and Theoretical Chemistry (SURF-CTC) in the Department of Chemistry at the University of Minnesota, working under the guidance of **Professor Sapna Sarupria**.

This offer is contingent upon verification of a successful background check and your ability to receive a J-1 Student-Intern visa and travel to the United States.

The program will be held **in person** on the University of Minnesota—Twin Cities Campus in Minneapolis, Minnesota. This fellowship is a full-time appointment for the ten-week period of **June 6 - August 12, 2022**, and it is our expectation that you will be here for the full duration of the program.

The stipend/salary is **\$5,000**, which may be subject to taxation. We will provide up to an additional **\$2,750 for lodging and travel expenses** (receipts will be needed). Dormitory space on campus is available, and I will be happy to arrange this. The cost is approximately \$1,800 for a shared room and \$2,150 for a private room. You may also find your own accommodations and request reimbursement. Fellows are responsible for covering their own food costs.

During the summer, we will provide you an opportunity to gain a **top-quality, graduate-level research experience** at a major research university and to be exposed to many cutting-edge research topics in theoretical and computational chemistry. There will be a **research symposium** at the end of the program, where all participants give a presentation on their research project. Finally, if you make sufficient progress in your research, we have budgeted up to \$500 for you to attend and present your research results at a professional meeting during the following year. We believe you will find the professional and research opportunities in our program to be among the best in the country.

Since we have many excellent applicants to whom we cannot make offers at this point, we ask that you inform us of your decision, either to accept or decline, by **Monday, February 28, 2022**. If you do not answer by then, this offer will be withdrawn.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

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