I was brought up in a warm and supportive family. My parents are among the first generation who had access to high education after the Cultural Revolution in China. In my childhood, I never had them worry about my schoolwork. They also hardly restricted my adventures in the wild. The unpaved muddy yard after the heavy summer rain was the heaven of earthworms, toads, plants and my imagination. These experiences sowed the initial seed of my major selection in college.

The Tao of my parents’ education is to build me into a staunch man who can walk his own way. There is no more difficult task than helming one’s only life. The classical European philosophy enlightened me when I was struggling for a direction at the turning point of my life. It showed me the beauty of logic, science and art. To pursue these kinds of wisdom is challenging, exciting and meaningful. It should be taken as a life-long duty.

I attended the American Geophysical Union 2014 fall meeting and made a poster presentation there. We are a generation who are greatly influenced by American culture. The summit of culture today is science. The flourishing academic atmosphere in the United States greatly influenced me. I want to exert my talent in this community. Time buries all the things today, but science lives a little longer. I want to prolong my life in this way.