

# AN INFORMATIVE AND EXCITING INTERVIEW

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While my speaking is slowing down when talking to professionals and my nervousness levels are decreasing with each interview, I still feel a little bit uncomfortable during interviews, but hopefully that slows down. This past week, I conducted an interview with Dr. Linnan Tang. The appointment was on Monday, 11/9. As always, my voice was shaking in the beginning of the interview, but I slowed down and we had a great talk. He was extremely descriptive and helpful. I took really good and detailed notes, which is a skill that is certainly developing as I do more interviews. However, I need to make them more legible for assessment submissions, which I am working on. Additionally, I was able to practice preparing for an interview, with creating questions to rehearsing the order of the questions, organization of the notes, and my articulation of the questions.

I was also able to learn a lot of good information for my original work project. First of all, he expressed lots of approval when I told him my idea and gave me some more confidence in my idea and its quality to the field. He also gave me advice on a particular procedure that I should look into and base my project around: transjugular liver biopsy. He told me that it is a really interesting procedure and that it would be great for my original work project since it involves long catheters and tubes. I was able to learn more on how to guide my future research with his advice and now have a starting point for my original work.

Overall, this week was extremely useful and informative. I learned a lot and gained lots of experience from my interview. I would like to work with Dr. Tang in the future since he seemed eager to help and to talk with me. Future research will certainly be based around on the procedure that Dr. Tang advised that I use. I was able to grow in certain skills, such as speaking with professionals, and I was proud of myself for being able to connect with Dr. Tang as well in order to have an exciting conversation. I look forward to next week where I will do a research presentation and how I will grow from that experience.

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## Weekly Report

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