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Dear Dr Larrondo,

I am very pleased to hear about your plans to apply for a 'Millennium Institute for Integrative Systems and Synthetic Biology (MIISSB)'. I would like to express my full support for your application. I recently visited your laboratory and I was very impressed with your work on yeast optogenetic switches and flocculation. The Australian Wine Research Institute has more than 50 years of research experience studying yeasts in both laboratory and industrial settings. Our experience includes yeast physiology, molecular biology, genomics and synthetic biology. The 'Millennium Institute for Integrative Systems and Synthetic Biology (MIISSB)' presents a wonderful opportunity to establish a collaboration between our research groups. As discussed, we would be very happy to receive your PhD students as research visitors in our institution. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Kind regards,

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