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Most Distinguished Professor Sir Richard J. Roberts, FRS

Sir,

From the childhood fantasy of becoming a detective to winning a Nobel, your journey reflects both your childhood innocence and your determination as a youth to shine in the study of genes. Your response to the compliments of a reporter for being the youngest to receive the Nobel in 1993 demonstrates your wit. Your observation that we must know the structure of the molecules if we need to understand how those function is indeed the Bible for every student of Biology. Despite being a distinguished scientist, achieving so much in the field of science, you have shown that there still remains much in life to be savoured and no wonder that you enjoy music and love to play video games. Your stint as a scientist par excellence and the research in the labs of great universities of the world have brought you numerous awards, accolades and the walls of your house must be running out of space to keep your degrees and certificates. But we in KIIT would still like to honour you for your outstanding contribution to the world in the field of Biochemistry and Molecular biology. Your acceptance of the honour will indeed be our honour.

In recognition of your great contribution to the world in the field of Split genes, Alternative splicing, Restriction endonuclease, DNA methylation and Computational molecular biology, KIIT University unanimously resolves to confer the Degree of Doctor of Science (Honoris Causa) on you this day the 12th November 2016 on its 12th Annual Convocation.

(Prof. Achyuta Samanta)

Founder - KIIT Bhubaneswar