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Letter of recommendation

Assoc. Prof. Daniel Mihálik, PhD.
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To Whom It May Concern:

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is my pleasure to write the letter of recommendation for Dr. Daniel Mihálik. I met him for the first time in October 2010, in Seoul, Korea, at the International Society of Biocatalysis and Agricultural Biotechnology Symposium Annual meeting, where the topic of his lecture was: "Transformation of barley with artificial gene encoding for delta-6-desaturase". He presented work focused on cereal transgenesis in order to create plants with alternative PUFAs. The work was pioneering in its field. During his career, he has devoted his research toward medically-related research, plant molecular biology, plant biotechnology and plant virology research. The common denominator of all his works is the application of modern molecular biology methods to various biological questions. Supervision of students is an essential component of the research. Dr. Mihálik has supervised students at different educational level, from undergraduate to PhD students. He collaborates with many scientists and is actively involved in various projects. In fact, he was the successful principal investigator in 11 projects (national and international importance) and a participant in another 27 projects. Considering that Daniel Mihálik exceeds all the required criteria of the domestic organization, I recommend Assoc. Prof. Promote Daniel Mihálik to be promoted to the rank of a Full Professor of molecular biology.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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