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To whom it may concern,

It is my pleasure to write this letter in the strongest possible terms regarding the stay of Mr. Jan Dvoracek in our Institution.

For the last six months, Jan has worked under my direct supervision in the laboratory of Pharmacology of the University of Navarra. As his supervisor, I can say that se did an excellent work trying to clarify the mechanisms underlying malonate-induced neurotoxicity. Although he mainly performed wetern-blot studies, he has also carried out several neurochemical (HPLC analysis and binding) studies that I am now preparing for a new manuscript.

Jan is very focused and hard working, and has always demonstrated a remarkable enthusiasm for his research. During these few months he acquired the knowledge and skills necessary to successfully carry out a scientific project on his own. Jan is able to solve most problems that arise along the way. At the same time, he actively interacted with the other members of the lab in discussing results and experimental strategies.

Finally, I would like to add that, in a more personal level, Jan is an excellent guy, very honest and with a warm personality. It has been a pleasure for all of us working with him. For all these reasons, I believe Jan deserves the highest mark.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need further information,

Sincerely,

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