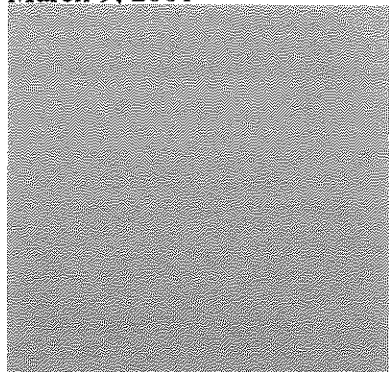


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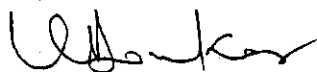
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It is with pleasure that I write this letter in support of Dr. Nada Saab's application for the position of Instructor in Chemistry. Dr. Saab worked as a Postdoctoral Fellow in our laboratory for about a year and a half on the synthesis of aldose reductase inhibitors. She was selected out of over fifty applicants. The major reason for her selection was based on her excellent job performance while working on her doctoral dissertation in graduate school. We were not disappointed when she joined our research group. She lived up to our expectations. She is a very competent researcher who added positively to the accomplishment of our research goals.

Within the short time that I was acquainted with Dr. Saab, she proved herself to be a very hard working scientist. She relentlessly pursues her research goals. She is very dedicated to her work and strives to achieve the best possible results. Dr. Saab is very analytical and thinks through her options to select the best possible methodology to accomplish her research goals. She is a conscientious, highly motivated, hard working individual with great enthusiasm, self confidence and excellent problem solving abilities in synthetic organic chemistry. During her tenure in our laboratory she accomplished the synthesis of a very important compound that aided in our study of aldose reductase. Due to her insatiable appetite to over achieve, she at times finds herself involved in too many projects. However, she realizes this and makes a positive effort not to get cut up in such situations.

On a personal level, Dr. Saab is a pleasant, caring, reliable fellow who gets along very well with her colleagues. I strongly recommend her for the position.

Sincerely,



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