



April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024.

Dear Prof. Memeth Haberal  
Chair of the TTS 2024 Congress.  
Prof. Elmi Muller  
TTS President.

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This letter has the intention to validate that Bio engineer Marco Santillan (DNI: 96314045), as my scholar linked to the project PICT 2020-02590 to entitle: "INMUNOPATOLOGÍA ASOCIADA AL RECHAZO DE IMPLANTE HEPÁTICO HUMANO. EVALUACIÓN DEL EJE IL-33/CL12/IL-13".

Marco is currently in his 1<sup>st</sup> year PhD student at our Molecular Hepatology Laboratory - Universidad Favaloro, in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Over the year he proved to be not only a very dedicated basic scientist but also a very dedicated student, who has not only been able to learn the minimal concepts required for his degree, but also has exponentially dedicated time to acquire new knowledges and to provide innovative ideas in each of the areas of interest.

The fact including a bioengineer in our laboratory aimed to expand the number of possible applications to the translational research field, and so far we are very pleased with the decision made. I have no question that he will be an exceptional awardee. After 18 years of continue experience in basic and translational research and building national and international cooperation's with centers in Europe, US and Asia, allow me to see in him the type of personality required to move this field forward.

I'm depply pleased of acting as his director/supervisor.

Sincerely

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