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Dear Professor Bennett - It is a pleasure to write a brief letter of evaluation in support of the application of Dr. Li for the assistant professorship in your department. Dr. Li worked for me as a postdoctoral fellow during 2004. He came to our lab with very good training in molecular biology and in genomics and applied his skills to the solution of several problems. His Ph.D. mentor, Professor Rosen, described him as an exceptionally competent young scientist. I would certainly agree with Dr. Rosen in his assessment. Dr. Li's contributions to our research during his relatively short tenure with us has had long term benefits to our research program. He has a real knack for using the best tools from bioinformatics and proteomics to illuminate interesting aspects of lab research. I was disappointed when he left us to return to Virginia Tech but was pleased that he had a new and better career opportunity there.

Dr. Li is a quiet but personable individual who works well with others. He has a strong work ethic and will accomplish much in his field. He has the level of focus and drive needed to develop a successful research program that will attract extramural funding. Certainly I recommend without reservation for the position at Bloomington. He will contribute a great deal to your program.

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