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Dear Dr. Brun,

I am delighted to write this letter in support of Dr. Ovidiu Lipan's application for the position of Assistant Professor level in computational Systems Biology at Indiana University. I believe he is ideally suited for the position you seek to fill. We have worked closely on many research projects and graduate student courses for more than two years. I have been very impressed with his experience and passion in teaching and research. Dr. Lipan is very bright, inquisitive and imaginative and integrates his life experiences into his teaching. He teaches complex theory with hands-on applications which results in a more effective way for students to learn, rather than just transfer information of a subject to students. When he teaches gene regulatory networks on the computational level, he teaches the basic principles, leads discussions on new breakthroughs, and facilitates students' involvement to identify limitations in current technologies and apply their insights to real world applications.

As a cancer biologist, I am fortunate to have Ovidiu work with me on biomarker discovery using proteomics technology. He provides his expertise in Bioinformatics and develops powerful data analysis algorithms to analyze the complex data to find biomarkers related to prostate cancer. From this collaboration opportunity, I do not only observe his research skills, but also his ability, compassion, and enthusiasm in the mentoring of students.

On a personal note, I have great respect for Dr. Lipan and have no doubt that, with his critical mind, passion and commitment in teaching, he will be an outstanding candidate for the Assistant Professor position you seek to fill at Indiana University. I recommend him with great enthusiasm.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely yours,

Bao-Ling Adam, Ph.D.