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Dr. Richard Cronkhite asked me to write a letter of recommendation for a faculty position in biology. Dr. Cronkhite was my associate at the University of Cincinnati, College of Medicine in the department of molecular genetics. He participated in investigations concerning mucosal immunity induced by oral administration of encapsulated antigens. The results of our study was recently published in the June 2004 issue of Vaccines. In the study we examined immune responsiveness that was activated indifferent areas of the intestinal tract.

Richard is an independent investigator who prides himself on doing original work. At the same time, he is willing to help anyone with work or discussion and he makes significant contributions at seminars. He prefers to work on projects that have an experimental design that leads to a better understanding of mucosal immunity.

Dr. Cronkhite provides significant help to grant preparation. He aids in writing and provides significant critical discussion. Richard is self-motivated and is keenly aware of the costs which he contains at the same time he maintains his enthusiasm. Therefore, I feel that he is at the position in his career to excel as an independent research scientist.

Should you require any further information, please feel free to contact me at the above telephone number.

Sincerely,

J. Gabriel Michael, Ph.D.