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TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

I know Dr. S. Viswanathan from 1998, since then he is working as Research scholar in my research team. He completed his schooling in his native town, Thiruthuraipoondi, Thiruvarur district, Tamilnadu, India. He graduated from Bharathidasan University, Thiruchirappalli, Tamilnadu, India in 1993 with first class. In the year 1995, he successfully completed his master degree in chemistry with first class from the same university. After that, he joined my research team as JRF in the university grants commission (UGC), New Delhi sponsored research project. He completed his research work and submitted his Ph.D on October 2002 in chemistry, in the Department of Industrial chemistry, Alagappa University, Karaikudi. His thesis title was "Electrochemical studies of toxic organics". He completed successfully his public viva-voce examination on the thesis on 17th July 2004 and he was awarded his Ph.D degree from that day onwards. He continued his research work in the same department as Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), New Delhi Senior Research fellow (SRF) extended in the field of Environmental chemistry. He has also worked as lecturer in chemistry in the School of Chemical and Biotechnology, Shanmuga Arts, Science, Technology and Research Academy (A Deemed University) in Thanjavur, Tamilnadu, India. At present he is doing his postdoctoral research in the Department of chemistry, National Tsing Hua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan.

He is a hard working guy with sufficient knowledge in bioanalytical chemistry, immunosensors, electrochemistry and environmental chemistry. His professional skills include the operations of all electrochemical instruments and interpreting the results of electrochemical techniques. He has got good experience in biosensors from his postdoctoral research. He has to his credit published 12 research papers in international science journals and two national journals. He has presented his research work in 15 international and national conferences.

He is a native of Thiruthuraipoondi, Tamilnadu, India and belonging to a respectable family. His father Mr. R.Subramanian is a teacher in a school and his mother Mrs.S.Jayalaksahmi is housewife. If he is given a chance in any research group, in my opinion, he will do hard work and satisfy the needs and expectation of his superiors. Hence I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. S. Viswanathan and I have strongly recommended for this post doctoral fellowship at your university.

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