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To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Reference Letter for Mr. Adrien Mauduit

I have known Mr. Mauduit in my capacity of supervisor of the Insect Pest Management Laboratory at the Lethbridge Research Centre since July 2010 when he volunteered as an Intern for 2 months in my lab. Two years later I was able to arrange for him to return as a paid employee of the University of Alberta to complete a six month internship in my laboratory to complete an independent research project to fulfill the requirements for his Master in Agricultural Engineering (Agroecology), at LaSalle Beauvais Polytechnical Institute.

Mr. Mauduit is exceptionally gifted with both superior abilities and work ethics. Although his primary interest and strength is in botany, he had sufficient knowledge to quickly learn the entomological principles to make significant scientific contributions to the projects he was assigned. His contributions to the first project (data collection, processing, analysis and cowriting a draft) were recognized by granting him co-authorship of a scientific note reporting the first occurrence of a species of Braconidae (parasitoid wasp) in Canada, published in Biocontrol Science and Technology. During his second internship, he took a leadership role in co-designing, executing and synthesizing a study of predation of diamond back moth in canola. He wrote the required thesis and wrote a manuscript in a very timely manner exceeding the expectations of all his supervisors.

Mr. Mauduit is also a very personable young man capable to work within a team or alone depending on the situation. He got along very well with his supervisors and his colleagues. As part of his duties in his second term in our lab, he was required to supervise a junior student which he performed quite well. He has excellent communication skills both oral and written.

I am convinced that Mr. Mauduit will be an asset to a research laboratory as a student or employee or at any institution where he is given the opportunity to make a contribution. I have no hesitation in recommending him highly for any position in the life sciences he chooses to apply. I will gladly provide a more detailed reference upon request.

Yours truly,

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