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To whom it may concern:

I am pleased to have the opportunity to recommend Eric Wasiolek. Dr. Hannah Teichmann (Stanford Neuroscience) and I co-supervised Eric's Masters work in Computational Biology in 2007-2008. Eric developed a novel computational representation of the nervous system of C. elegans, and performed various analyzes on that representation. The project produced a number of scientifically significant results regarding the development of the C. elegans nervous system.

Eric efficiently and correctly accomplished all of the specifications of the project. Moreover, he produced a very articulate and detailed Masters thesis, which was awarded "Best Thesis" in the School of Science at Cal State East Bay. In all of this work Eric demonstrated superior programming skill and a deep understanding of developmental biology and neuroscience. He also demonstrated the ability to conceive of a creative project, to rapidly learn difficult technical information, to work on his own, and to complete high quality work in a timely fashion.

I can enthusiastically recommend Eric for further academic work, for any industrial position that requires highly skilled and creative software engineering, or for any technical or business position that requires both deep engineering knowledge and creative analysis.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide any further information that may be helpful in evaluating Eric's qualifications.

Sincerely,

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