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Subject: Recommendation for Shuguang Wang

Dear Prof. Xiaojie Qiu,

It is with great enthusiasm that I recommend Shuguang Wang for a postdoctoral position in your laboratory at Stanford University. I am an Associate Professor at Huazhong Agricultural University, and I have known Shuguang since 2017, when he was an undergraduate student in my lab.

Shuguang stood out in my memory not just for his intelligence, but for his remarkable initiative and persistence. He joined my lab after actively inviting me to guiding a undergraduate team for a research competition and he then demonstrated a proactive "can-do" attitude from day one. He played an active role in our project regarding biological natural language processing, which led to a publication in *Bioscience Reports*, on which he served as a co-first author.

During his time with me, Shuguang developed the "HPO-Shuffle" algorithm. I was impressed by his ability to bridge the gap between biological concepts and computational implementation (Python/R) at such an early stage in his career. Beyond his technical skills, Shuguang is optimistic, grounded, and interacts with peers and mentors with genuine respect and ease. He was the one who "glue" the student team together during high-pressure competition deadlines.

I have watched his progress during his PhD with pride, and I am confident that his combination of technical perseverance and positive character will make him an asset to your group. To make this recommendation letter fully represent my confidence to him, I've attached it to my RL list, <https://hzaubionlp.com/blog/rl4students/>.

Sincerely,

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