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### To whom it may concern

I am writing this letter of recommendation on behalf of Rotem Sarig. Rotem worked in my lab, at the Department of Vegetable Research, Inst. of Plant Sciences, at The Volcani Center, during the months September-October 2016 as a research assistant. During this period she managed to acquire skills in the following fields: RNA extraction from plant root samples, cDNA first-strand synthesis, quantitative real time PCR and data analysis of qRT-PCR runs, gel extraction and clean-up of PCR products, plasmid miniprep from E. coli, and working in aseptic conditions to propagate plant material through tissue culture. This work was done as part of a project aiming to characterize molecular mechanisms involved in sweetpotato storage root formation.

Rotem was a very good and enthusiastic employee, showing devotion to both the research undertaken and the lab team. With all these above qualities I am confident that Rotem is a worthy candidate at your institute.

Sincerely,

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