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To whom it may concern,

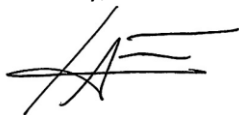
It has been a pleasure to host Dr. Tea Gegenava, MD, PhD, a cardiologist, at Stanford University in the Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiovascular Medicine, School of Medicine, from January 8, 2024, to December 29, 2024.

From the outset, Dr. Gegenava proved to be a significant team member. Her contributions were instrumental in advancing our research projects, and her initial 5-month scholarship was extended until the end of the year. She rejoined us in August 2024, continuing her work from earlier in the year. The results of her efforts have had a significant impact on her professional development and our department's research initiatives. Upon arrival, she successfully undertook exams and training, which are mandatory for every researcher at Stanford University. During her scholarship, Dr. Gegenava worked on a particularly challenging project: multimodality phenotyping in adults with non-compaction cardiomyopathy. She played a key role in building the database and analyzing advanced imaging studies. Additionally, she contributed to the coronary artery disease perfusion project. Dr. Gegenava analyzed 225 cardiac magnetic resonance exams from patients with various types of cardiomyopathies, as well as over 150 cardiac computed tomography scans of patients with cardiomyopathies and coronary artery disease. She conducted preliminary data processing and derived initial results that will soon be presented at the American College of Cardiology Congress in 2025 and published in a high-impact medical journal. We have already published an editorial paper in the Journal of the American Society of Echocardiography.

Dr. Gegenava was an active participant in research meetings and discussions within our department, offering valuable insights and contributing to the development of new projects. She attended the weekly Stanford Cardiology Grand Rounds and the Cardiac Magnetic Resonance lecture series. She also participated in clinical case readings in cardiac magnetic resonance imaging and nuclear cardiology. Throughout her stay, she delivered several presentations and lectures on topics such as multimodality imaging in valvular heart disease and cardiovascular involvement in systemic disorders.

Although Dr. Gegenava will continue her work remotely on ongoing projects, we look forward to the possibility of welcoming her back for future collaborations. We consider her visit highly successful, and her contributions to our research important.

Sincerely,



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