Dear members of the committee,

I am happy to write this report for Ms. Karolina Dostalova, as part of her Bachelor's defense. Karolina started work on her B.S. project, which had never been done before in our laboratory and at least based on current literature searches, probably in Europe. She first had to learn how to work in sterile conditions with tick cell lines and to passage them. As part of her project she had to obtain tick cell line passages that did not have the antibiotic that the media normally has, which meant painstakingly making sure that no contamination was present in these non-antibiotic passages. She learnt how to work with Borrelial cultures including growing and counting them. During this project I have seen qualities of patience, a good aptitude for doing lab experiments and a willingness to help her peers in the lab when needed. I was very happy with her efforts when researching literature concerning this project and which she was able to use this during the writing of her thesis. She has grown during her time in the lab and I can say has contributed nicely to our understanding of the parameters that we need to standardize, when working with tick cell lines and Borrelia.

Thankyou.

Yours sincerely.

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