

To whom it may concern,

I am happy to write in support of Hyejeong Cheon. I met Hyejeong during her MSc degree studies in the Department of Physics of the Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, having supervised her MSc thesis during an academic year.

During this period, I was able to witness a great development in Hyejeong's scientific skills, critical thinking, and independence.

Hyejeong studied, during her MSc work, the interaction between weak polyelectrolytes and nanotubes using a computer simulation program called Molsim, which is open source and written in Fortran. Although she had no experience with the program or the programming language, Hyejeong wrote, single-handed new analyses routines and running protocols, which demonstrates her independence and persistence. She was also involved in a number of smaller projects during her studies, which shows her enthusiasm for research.

Hyejeong revealed, during our group meetings, interest in other student's projects and critical thinking.

Hyejeong has, in my opinion, the potential to become an excellent scientist if given the opportunity. Additionally, she contributes greatly to the working atmosphere in a group or in a department.

For all this, I can only give her the very best recommendations. Feel free to contact me for further information.

Sincerely,



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