Supervisor Excellence Award - nomination

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To: Zina Ibrahim

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Dear Zina,

I am writing to congratulate you on being nominated for this year's Centre for Doctoral Studies *Supervisory Excellence Awards*. Thank you for the care and dedication with which you have supervised and supported the doctoral students who you supervise. It is clear, from reading the nominations, how much the mentoring and support you provided is appreciated by students, colleagues, and the wider King's community.

The nominations will now be considered by faculties and they will contact you if you are shortlisted to write a statement about your supervisory practice. These shortlisted candidates will then be passed back to the Centre for Doctoral Studies for the final decision.

This year we received over 200 nominations for the *Supervisor Excellence Awards*, highlighting the tremendous effort many individuals across King's are putting into supervising doctoral students. Thank you for being a part of this.

If you have any questions about the scheme, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes,
Edward

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Name of Nominee: Zina Ibrahim

Faculty: Psychiatry, Psychology and Neuroscience

Statement(s) to support nomination

Dear Committee,

I am pleased to nominate my supervisor, Zina Ibrahim, for the Supervisory Excellence Awards. I am firmly convinced that Zina thoroughly deserves this honor due to her exceptional support, dedication, and innovative supervisory practices that have enriched my research journey.

As my first supervisor, Zina has demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to guiding me through my research journey. She has constantly pushed the boundaries of traditional supervision, implementing innovative techniques that have profoundly shaped my research and academic growth. When I faced periods of low inspiration, she would brainstorm with me, providing fresh perspectives and invigorating my thought processes.

She also dedicated substantial resources to support my research. When my project required additional computational power that was beyond my means, she stepped in, using her own funding to ensure the smooth progression of my research. This gesture was not just about material support, but also about instilling in me a sense of confidence and validation about the worth of my research.

Moreover, Zina has made significant contributions to my skills, research, and career development, enabling me to complete my research and chart a path for my post-PGR career. As a non-native English speaker, I have often grappled with articulating my ideas and findings in an academically rigorous manner. Yet, with Zina by my side, I have been able to navigate this terrain more competently. She guided me through the process of writing effective professional emails, assisted me with project applications, and worked closely with me on my essays despite her busy schedule.

Even amidst these professional contributions, what stands out is her unwavering support during times of personal difficulty. Her constant reminders about the importance of taking care of my well-being, especially during periods of high stress and uncertainty, have been a source of immense comfort.

In sum, Zina has been much more than a supervisor to me; she has been a mentor, a guide, a supporter, and an advocate. Her efforts embody the spirit of the Supervisory Excellence Awards, and I sincerely believe there could be no one more fitting to receive this honor.

Thank you for considering my nomination.

Nominated by: Current Postgraduate Research Student

Name (if nomination not anonymous): Linglong Qian