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To whom it may concern:

Re: Riccardo Pellegrino MD

I am pleased to write in support of the application by Dr. Riccardo Pellegrino for promotion to Professor. I have known Riccardo and his work for many years and feel well qualified to comment on his scientific and international standing.

Dr. Pellegrino made an early mark with his important work on the effect of deep inspiration on airway function and bronchial responsiveness in asthmatics. His studies were instrumental in changing the way clinicians and researchers thought about airway function in asthma. He gained an impressive international reputation based on this work. Since then Dr. Pellegrino has continued to provide important insights into respiratory mechanics and how they are altered in disease states. His work on the effect of lung volume on airway function has been important in understanding the effect of lung disease on patients.

Dr. Pellegrino publishes his work in the most important respiratory journals and is regularly invited to speak at International meetings. He collaborates with leading respiratory scientists and clinicians and his influence on the research of others is easy to see.

I have no hesitation in supporting Dr. Pellegrino's application for promotion to Professor. He has earned this honour because of the importance of his research, his publication and his influence on the research of others. He is well regarded by the International respiratory community.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter D. Sly'.

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