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To Whom It May Concern:

Dear Sir or Madam

I have known Dr Emmanouil Zacharakis as a surgical colleague for over 3 years. In this time he has also become a very close friend.

He is a highly proficient surgeon with superlative technical skills. He has a broad repertoire of technical expertise that includes general, oesophagogastric, bariatric, hepatobiliary and colorectal surgery. He has truly dedicated himself to the pursuit of mastery in all these areas. He is an excellent open and laparoscopic surgeon. His post-operative outcomes are better than the UK average for most measures.

He is an extremely affable person who is very popular with his peers, nursing staff and juniors. He has inspired a number of juniors and has supported and encouraged them to undertake many clinical research projects.

His practice is underpinned by a constant endeavor to improve the quality of care of patients undergoing surgery. This is highlighted by his leadership in developing and implementing enhanced recovery protocols for patients undergoing gastrectomy for cancer.

He has also been actively involved in teaching. He has worked closely with his peers in developing and running courses in surgery and has contributed to the training programme within the London deanery.

Most importantly he is an empathetic surgeon who often goes beyond the call of duty to ensure that his patients receive the highest quality care. His patients told him in high regard. His commitment and dedication to them inspires his juniors to work to the highest standards.

I have no doubt that he will be an asset to any surgical department and look forward to seeing him develop into an international leader in GI surgery.

Yours faithfully



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