

**2012 ASM KADNER INSTITUTE  
ADVISOR APPROVAL PAGE**

American Society for Microbiology (ASM)  
Education Department - Kadner Institute  
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Dear Advisor:

One of your trainees, (name of applicant) \_\_\_\_\_,  
has applied to participate in the 2012 ASM Kadner Institute, held July 21-25 in East Lansing,  
Michigan. This Institute is intended to provide senior level graduate students and early career  
postdoctoral scientists with practical "hands-on" experience in a variety of topics relevant to career  
preparation in microbiology. The Institute will bring in microbiologists from a variety of careers  
academic, teaching, industry, public policy, and clinical microbiology. They will discuss  
opportunities, challenges, and rewards in their field, and provide personal advice on preparation for  
entry into that career. Participants will take part in discussion of relevant ethical and professional  
issues.

The major activities at the Institute consist of practical experience in research grant writing and  
review, in presentation of research results, and in basic issues of teaching and scientific  
communication. Hence, each participant will be asked to bring with them a draft research grant  
proposal and the supporting data, which will form the basis for a research presentation. At the  
Institute, a group of experienced faculty will work with the participants to try to improve the  
written and oral presentation. Participants are required to use data and a proposal that is based on  
their own research activities. It is crucial that you approve of his/her presentation of the current  
research, to protect sensitive results. This is not a public presentation, and it is highly unlikely that  
anyone at the Institute would take improper advantage of information discussed there. However,  
we ask that you respond to this letter by marking in the space below.

Sincerely,  
Committee on Graduate and Postdoctoral Education, ASM Education Board

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Dear ASM:

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ I endorse participation of my trainee in the Kadner Institute. The trainee is free to present  
his/her research results, as I have discussed with him/her.

\_\_\_ I do not endorse my trainee to participate in ASM Kadner Institute.

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Print Name

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Email

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Signature

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Date