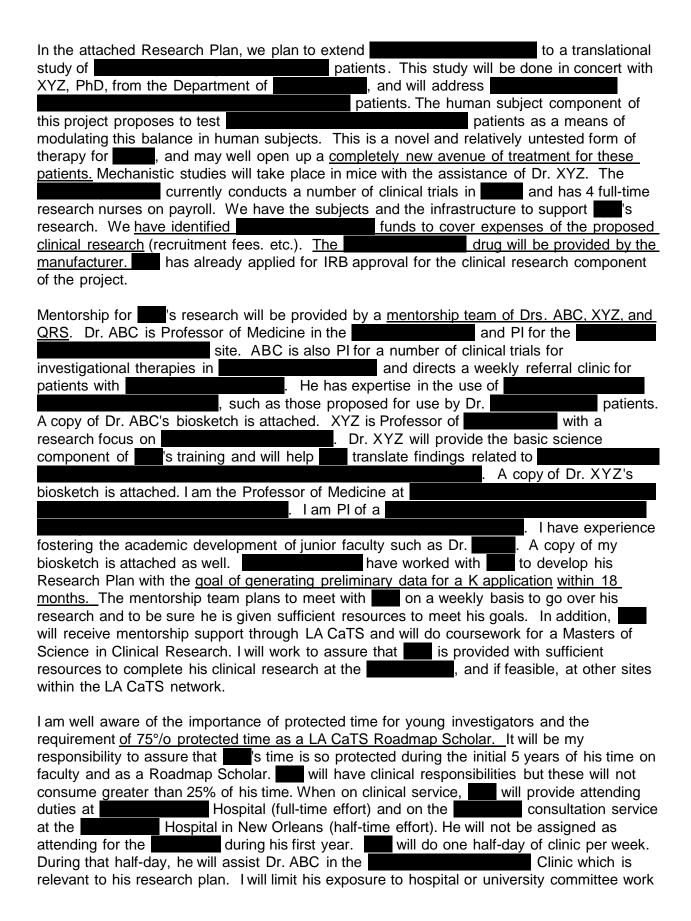
January 15, Vivian Fonseca, MD Daniel Kapusta, PhD Leanne Redman, PhD, FTOS Directors, LA CaTS Professional Development Core RE: MD Roadmap Scholar Applicant Dear Drs. Fonseca, Kapusta and Redman: It is a pleasure for me to provide a letter of support for Dr. in his application to become a LA CaTS Roadmap Scholar for having joined the faculty in . As you can see from his CV, as Assistant Professor of Medicine in is exceedingly well trained. He received his MD at followed by residency and chief residency in at the same institution. He has completed fellowship , where he was described as one training in of the best fellows ever to train there. While at developed an interest in clinical research and clinical education. Taking advantage of a large population of patients undergoing surgery and mentorship from initiated and carried through to publication a number of clinical research studies dealing . In addition, made regular abstract with and oral research presentations at the international conference of the as well as numerous educational presentations to the faculty and fellows at has rapidly integrated himself into Section activities and has proven Since joining to be an integral member of the Medicine. Thoughtful and well-read, is well-liked by the fellows and is a skilled educator. Consistent with his fellowship interest in complications, we have assigned him to a clinic along with Dr. ABC, who will serve as mentor for the proposed scholarship. has also worked in concert with one of our , to found a clinic in for patients with disease. In addition, has also spearheaded a collaborative partnership with which we are particularly excited about. This partnership will allow to function as a satellite site for a multi-center research network. I feel that we were fortunate to recruit to join the Medicine, and I want to do everything I can to assure that he continues his training and success in clinical research. To that end, I feel that is an ideal candidate for

training as a LA CaTS Roadmap Scholar He is obviously committed to a career in clinical

research.



while is a Roadmap Scholar. I am committed to providing sufficient protected time for to complete his research plan as a Roadmap Scholar to complete his coursework for a Masters in Clinical Research, and to compete for a K award from the NIH.
In summary, has my whole-hearted support for training as a LA CaTS Roadmap Scholar. I feel that he is an ideal candidate for this award, and that this training will pay off with the blossoming career of a talented and productive clinical investigator.
Thank you for your time and consideration.
Sincerely
Chief, Section of