Statement of Supervisor of Dissertation Thesis of Ing. Jiří Váňa

Ing. Jiří Váňa started his doctoral studies in the Institute of Organic Chemistry and

Technology, the University of Pardubice in 2008. The study of kinetics and mechanism of

transformation reactions of isothiouronium salts dealt with in his dissertation work was a

continuation of his former diploma work. In the course of his doctoral studies, Jiří Váňa has

matured into a distinct and independent personality. He attended lectures and seminars about

Quantum Chemistry given by Assoc. Professor Petr Nachtigall at the Faculty of Natural

Sciences, Charles University in Prague, and in cooperation with Assoc. Professor Jana

Roithová he acquainted himself with the newly developed methodology of recording reaction

intermediates: Ion spectroscopy and the Infrared multiphoton dissociation spectroscopy

(IRMPD). He used the new knowledge from both the Quantum Chemistry and the above-

mentioned methodology in dealing with his dissertation work. He is a co-author of 2 papers in

international impact factor journals (Journal Heterocyclic Chemistry, Journal of Organic

Chemistry) and other his results are prepared for publishing. Apart from independent

scientific work, Jiří Váňa also took part in pedagogical work: laboratory training at B.Sc. and

M.Sc. levels. In the work of Jiří Váňa, I appreciate his independence, resourcefulness and

ability to absorb new knowledge. In the period of July-September 2011 he worked for one

month at the Huddersfield University, U. K., dealing with kinetic studies. For viva voce he has

submitted the thesis entitled:

"Mechanisms of ring transformations of isothiouronium salts derived from bromolactones"

For the above-given reasons, I recommend that this dissertation thesis should be accepted in

the viva voce as a basis for obtaining the Ph.D. degree.

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