Dear Victor,

This is a good application, and there should be no doubt about the quality of Bodmer and Kevlin. The subject of the study has more than academic interest because of the possible association between resistance to viruses, especially human viruses, and the immune response genes. The linkage of these genes to the histocompatibility locus has been proven in mice and is likely to be true in Man as well. Israel is a good country to study these and other problems in human genetics because of the peculiar structure of the Jewish population. I also think that the collaborative style is worth supporting even though there is an additional requirement for travel money. I am however warned about taking a technician for a short time and feel that you ought to have a certain arrangement. There ought to be a defined arrangement for these. Then an grant can be tied. Similarly, no student or post doctoral fellow should be taken on at a time when his expected tenure might overrun the termination date.

I hope this is what you want. 

Yours,

Sydney