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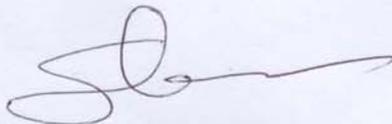
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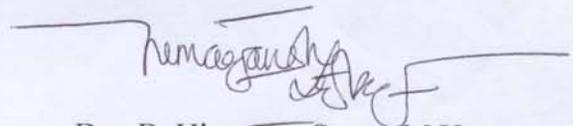
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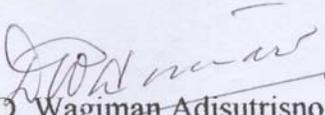
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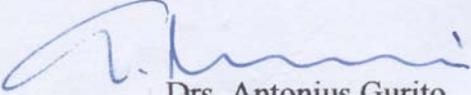
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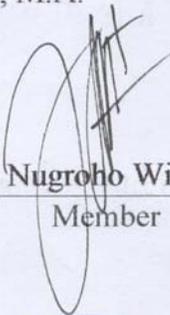
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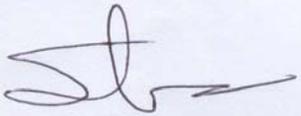
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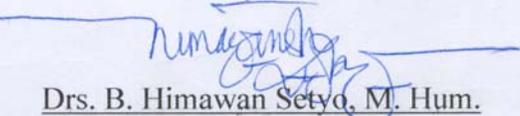
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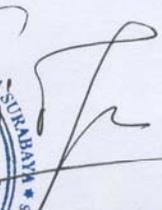

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ABSTRACT

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This study analyzes the personal growth which is emphasize on humanity values that the main character experienced in "*Vita Sexualis*", a novel by Ogai Mori. The study under report is attempted at answering the following research problems: (1) How does the main character's personality growth? (2) How does the refined soul of the main character achieved? (3) How is humane value of the main character achieved? (4) Does the cultural background influence the main character civilization? (5) What are the roles of the culture background towards the characteristic formation of the main character on Ogai Mori's "VITA SEXUALIS"?

The data of this study were taken from the extracts, dialogues and occurrence that were experienced by the main character of the novel under study named Shizuka Kanai. The data were analyzed by using the humanistic theory, personal growth theory and the elements theories of the novel, i.e. character, setting, plot, point of view, and theme. The analysis was divided into *four* major parts: *the analysis of the basic intrinsic elements of novel, the analysis of main character's personality growth, the analysis of connection between personal growth and the achievement of humanity values and the analysis of humanity values that indicated the personal growth of the main character*. Besides, there were the culture factors in correlation with social dimension and also the social and regional characteristics as the parameters.

The data analysis brought the following results: (1) The main character's personality growth through many events and experiences happened and passed in his life during his childhood and adolescent time. The growth process happened naturally undergoes the thinking, learning and understanding processes. Those processes help to figure the characteristics of main character in having his personal growth, (2) the main character achieves his refined soul through the things he has seen and heard than he has thought about until finally he could realized that there is something strange or has been denied from the things he has seen and the words that he did not understand, (3) The main character achieves his humane through his efforts when he tries to understand the meaning of words, attitudes and body languages of other people around him through his concepts, ideas and possibilities before he decides to do

something and to try not to get closer with someone he does not know at all, (4) The cultural background, of course, gives influence to the main character civilization because from the occurrence that he has experienced, he is able to learn and be accustomed to look back what people around him have done every day. Later, the main character also considers and imitates what his people around him have done in his daily life and (5) The roles of culture background are as the guidelines, border line and as one of the factors that give influence to the formation processes of the main character on Ogai Mori's "*Vita Sexualis*".

The writer realizes that this study is not perfect and there must be several weaknesses. The writer suggests to the further researchers study especially the moral, culture and social aspects because the previous researcher has been discussed the personal growth which is focused on the humanity side. Besides, the writer also hopes that there is a study of humanistic values on the characters as evidence that humanistic values have a correlation with teaching and educating knowledge so that the moral, culture and social values which give influence for the personal growth of the characters can be studied.