

Announcements¹

EMPLOYMENT AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Genetic Counselor.—A master's degree in genetic counseling from an accredited program or equivalency and board certification or active candidate status from the American Board of Medical Genetics are required. The candidate must demonstrate good communication skills, be able to work independently, and participate with a team of care providers. Counseling abilities, clinical judgment, and research skills are important. A commitment to provide excellent service is essential. The counselor will provide comprehensive genetic services for the International Genetics Consultation Program through direct client counseling, education of lay public, and program development. The counselor will aid investigators with the planning, implementation, interpretation, and presentation of clinical genetics research. Applicants should send a C.V. to: Bridget Kramer, R.N., University of Utah, Department of Human Genetics, 15 N 2030 E Rm. 2100, Salt Lake City, UT 84112-5330; phone (801) 585-9495; fax (801) 585-9148; E-mail: bkramer@genetics.utah.edu. The University of Utah is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

Genetic Counselor.—Immediate opening for a board certified/board eligible genetic counselor at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS)/Arkansas Children's Hospital (ACH), Clinical Genetics Division. The team includes a clinical geneticist, a clinical biochemical geneticist, and a specialty nurse/genetic coun-

selor working in outpatient clinics (pediatric and adult) and on inpatient consults (pediatric). Opportunity for development of innovative ideas in patient care, for participation in professional education, and for personal advancement. Competitive salary with excellent fringe benefits. Send a C.V., letter of interest, and three references to: Dr. Mary A. Curtis, 800 Marshall Street, Slot 512-22, Little Rock, AR 72202.; phone (501) 320-2966; fax (501) 320-1564; E-mail: curtismarya@uams.edu

Postdoctoral Position.—A 2-year position is available to study the genetic basis of several oral/craniofacial diseases. Familiarity with Internet genetic databases and experience in molecular biology, specifically DNA cloning, Northern blotting, western blotting, and utilization of YAC/BAC libraries is desirable. Applicants must have a Ph.D., good oral and written communication, and computer skills. The salary will be commensurate with experience. Send a C.V., with the names of three references, to: Dr. Thomas Hart, Department of Pediatrics/Section of Medical Genetics, Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Medical Center Blvd., Winston-Salem, NC 27157; fax (910) 716-7575; E-mail: thart@wfubmc.edu

Human Geneticist.—The Department of Pathology and the Program in Human Genetics, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, Oklahoma City, invite applications for a tenure-track position at the full or associate professor level, endowed by the Presbyterian Health Foundation. We seek candidates in human genetics, studying the molecular basis of disease. Candidates should have a Ph.D. or equivalent, postdoctoral research experience in an area related to his/her planned research program, and a proven record of excellence. The successful candidate will be expected to establish and maintain an excellent funded research program, with space in the newly opened Biomedical Research

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Center, and to participate in teaching at the graduate and postdoctoral levels. The Program in Human Genetics, involving 4 departments in 2 colleges, has 4 other open positions and new contiguous laboratory space. Applicants should submit a C.V., a letter of interests and goals, and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of three references to: Dr. John J. Mulvihill, Chairman of Search Committee, Department of Pathology – BMSB 451, P.O. Box 26901, Oklahoma City, OK 73190. Street address: 940 Stanton L. Young, Room 451, Oklahoma City, OK 73104. Applications will be reviewed beginning March 1, 1999. The University of Oklahoma is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

Postdoctoral Fellowship.—The National Institutes of Health-funded New York Obesity Research Center (ORC) at St. Luke's/Roosevelt Hospital and Columbia University seeks a postdoctoral fellow with expertise in genetic epidemiology, epidemiology, statistics, or computer programming. The position entails working collaboratively with an interdisciplinary group of scientists. The ORC studies virtually all aspects of obesity, ranging from molecular biology to epidemiology. Investigators include molecular biologists, physicians, psychologists, statisticians, physiologists, nutritionists, and engineers. Individuals are sought who are interested in contributing to studies involving statistical genetics, meta-analysis, statistical epidemiology, and analysis of clinical trials data. Ability to program in languages such as S-plus, FORTRAN, SAS, and SPSS is useful but not required. Qualified individuals with an M.D. or Ph.D. degree in any field are eligible. Women and individuals from traditionally disadvantaged groups are encouraged to apply. Interested individuals should contact Dr. David B. Allison, Obesity Research Center St. Luke's/Roosevelt Hospital, 1090 Amsterdam Avenue – 14th floor, New York, NY 10025; phone (212) 523-1601; fax: (212) 523-3571; E-mail: dba8@columbia.edu

Statistical Genetics.—Two postdoctoral associate positions in statistical genetics are available in the Biostatistics Division of Yale University School of Medicine. The successful candidates will join an interdisciplinary team to develop mathematical and statistical methods in genetics and molecular biology. A Ph.D. in statistics, biostatistics, mathematics, or related disciplines is required. A strong background in genetics is desirable but not required. Strong computer skills are preferred. For further information, please contact: Dr. Hongyu Zhao, Division of Biostatistics, Department of Epidemiology and Public Health, Yale University School of Medicine, 60 College Street, New Haven, P.O. Box 208034, CT 06520-8034; phone (203) 785-6271; fax (203) 785-

6912; E-mail: hongyu.zhao@yale.edu. Yale University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.

COURSE

European School of Medical Genetics, 12th Course.—To be held at the Nunciata Center–Sestri Levante (Genoa), March 14–21, 1999. March 14: Introduction to Genetic Analysis; March 15: Genetics of Complex Traits; March 16: Molecular Genetics; March 17: Clinical Genetics; March 18: Neurogenetics; March 19: Genome Projects and High-Throughput Genetic Analysis; March 20: Satellite Symposium on the Genetics and Molecular Diagnosis of Cardiomyopathies; March 21: Familial Cardiomyopathies. Directors: V. A. McKusick and G. Romeo (in collaboration with the International School of Pediatric Sciences–Istituto G. Gaslini–Genova). Registration fees for the entire course (8 days): It. Lire 800,000/Euro 413. A limited number of fellowships covering registration fees and living expenses will be available for citizens of the European Union who are under 35 years of age. To apply, send via mail or E-mail a C.V., a brief description of research interests, a letter of recommendation signed by a supervisor, and a certificate of fluency in English to: EGF (European Genetics Foundation), Via Campodónico 31, 16030 Pieve Ligure (GE), Italy; E-mail: eurgef@tin.it

MEETINGS

First International Conference on Anophthalmia/Microphthalmia.—To be held April 9–11, 1999, at the Adams Mark Hotel, Philadelphia. The conference will be hosted by the International Children's Anophthalmia Network (ican), a parent-support group for anophthalmia/microphthalmia. Both parents and professionals are welcome. Updates on treatment, research, and the genetics of anophthalmia/microphthalmia will be provided. Other events include educational seminars, a parent panel, and medical consultations. There will be ample opportunity for parents to network with one another. For more information, contact Dr. Adele Schneider, Genetics Division, Albert Einstein Medical Center, 5501 Old York Road, Philadelphia, PA 19141; phone (215) 456-8722; E-mail: aemcgenetics@icdc.com

Eighth International Workshop on Ataxia-Telangiectasia (ATW8).—To be held February 14–17, 1999, in Las Vegas. The program will include speakers on all facets of this complex disease, including genetics. One session

will be devoted to Nijmegen Breakage Syndrome. For additional information about the program, see the workshop Website at: <http://www.pathnet.medsch.ucla.edu/atw8>, or send an E-mail inquiry to: atw8@pathology.medsch.ucla.edu

WORKSHOPS

6th International Workshop on Fetal Genetic Pathology.—Dead Sea, Israel, March 14–18, 1999. Topics include: The imprinted H19 gene expression in embryogenesis and human cancer; Fetomaternal cell trafficking: a new etiology for disease; How do hox genes specify our body plan?; Congenital anomalies of left-right axis development; Regulatory control of embryological development and the evolutionary origin of animals; Cardiac morphogenesis in conjoined twins; The twist gene-conserved sequence, diverse functions; The pathogenesis of chromosomal mosaicism and its effect on early human development; The polyploidy syndrome in the fetus and

in the liveborn; Early human development: defects of blastogenesis; Comparative genomic hybridization analysis in archival placental tissues; Cholesterol and embryogenesis; A revised view of early placentation; The role of failed maternal adaptations in perinatal morbidity; Developmental genetic regulation of laterality. For additional information contact: The Secretariat, Fetal Genetic Pathology, P.O. Box 29041, Tel Aviv 61290, Israel; phone +972-3-5175150; fax +972-3-5175155; E-mail: trgt@netvision.net.il

1999 Summer Institute in Statistical Genetics.—To be held May 26–June 11, 1999, at North Carolina State University Raleigh. A series of three-day workshops on statistics for geneticists, genetics for statisticians, population genetic data analysis, quantitative genetic data analysis, forensic genetic data analysis, QTL mapping, human disease gene mapping, molecular genetics, and bioinformatics. See Webpage for details at <http://www.stat.ncsu.edu>, or contact Dr. B. S. Weir at weir@stat.ncsu.edu, or fax (919) 515-7315.