

Announcements¹

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Statistical Analyst.—The successful candidate will join a growing team of >40 analysts, programmers, and database managers in the Informatics Section of the Department of Epidemiology of the M. D. Anderson Cancer Center at the University of Texas on a wide variety of epidemiologic research projects related to cancer prevention. Areas of research include lung cancer, Peutz-Jegher syndrome, prostate cancer, and development of statistical genetics methods. Requirements include a master's degree in biostatistics, statistics, or a related field. One year of experience with mainframe and/or PC databases, document processing, and statistical software such as SAS and S-Plus is required. Four years of such experience in an academic and/or biomedical environment setting is preferred. Proficiency in SAS or similar packages is required. We offer a challenging work environment and a comprehensive benefits package. Please send a resume to Human Resources Staffing, P.O. Box 301402, Unit 629, Houston, TX 77230-1402; e-mail: lhtrinh@mdanderson.org. Use the reference code AJHGSA0802 when applying. The M. D. Anderson Cancer Center is an equal opportunity employer and a smoke-free environment.

Postdoctoral Fellowship, Genetics of Prostate Cancer Susceptibility.—This is an opportunity to join an interdisciplinary team of geneticists, urologists, pathologists, and epidemiologists at the New York University Cancer Institute to study genetic risk factors for development

and progression of prostate cancer. The project will focus on the molecular genetic changes that occur in people from high-risk groups. Experimental approaches include the use of expression profiling and molecular cytogenetic analysis and the development of tumor biomarkers for predicting malignant potential of lesions. Candidates must have a Ph.D., D.V.M, M.D., or equivalent degree; experience in molecular biology and genetics; American citizenship or a green card; and demonstrated productivity. The salary is competitive and will be commensurate with experience. Full benefits will be provided. The starting date will be January 1, 2003. A letter of inquiry, including a curriculum vitae and the names of three references, should be addressed to Harry Ostrer, M.D., Human Genetics Program, NYU School of Medicine, 550 First Avenue, New York, NY 10016; telephone: (212) 263-7596; fax: (212) 263-3477; e-mail: ostreh01@med.nyu.edu

Pediatric Geneticist/Dysmorphologist.—The University of Nevada School of Medicine, in Las Vegas, is seeking a pediatric geneticist/dysmorphologist at the rank of assistant professor. Salary commensurate with qualifications. Position requires an M.D. or equivalent degree, board certification in pediatrics, fellowship training or residency in medical genetics, board certification or board eligibility in medical genetics, and eligibility for Nevada licensure. The successful candidate will provide clinical genetic service at hospital consultations in Las Vegas and outpatient diagnostic clinics in Las Vegas and Reno and will provide consultation for the State Birth Defects Registry. Applicants should have a strong clinical background, an interest in teaching medical students and residents, the desire to perform clinical research, and an interest in public health issues related to genetic services. The geneticist will join the Pediatrics Department in the Genetics Division, which has a busy clinical program, with both prenatal and pediatric services, and a molecular/cytogenetics research laboratory. Submit a letter of interest, a curriculum vitae, and the names and addresses of three references to Bernard H. Feldman, M.D., M.P.H., UNSOM Pediatrics/Genetics, 2040 W. Charles-

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ton Boulevard, #402, Las Vegas, NV 89102. The application deadline is September 30, 2002. The University of Nevada is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer.

Clinical Geneticist.—As part of a planned expansion of human genetics clinical and research activities, the Division of Molecular and Human Genetics in The Ohio State University Department of Pediatrics, at Columbus Children's Hospital, is seeking an individual to participate in its clinical and teaching activities. The division maintains active programs in dysmorphology, pediatric clinical genetics, metabolic disorders, and prenatal genetic counseling and participates in several multidisciplinary clinics within the university. Columbus Children's Hospital is one of eight regional genetics centers funded by the Ohio Department of Health. The candidate must be trained in pediatrics and must be board certified in clinical genetics or eligible for such certification. Some experience in the diagnosis and management of patients with metabolic disorders is desirable. The successful candidate will join an expanding team that consists of three clinical geneticists, three pediatric genetic counselors, a metabolic nurse, and full genetics laboratory services (cytogenetics, molecular, and biochemical genetics laboratories). It is expected that the position will be filled at the assistant professor level. Excellent opportunities for clinical or collaborative research projects exist within the department. The Ohio State University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Women, minorities, veterans, and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply. For more information, please visit our Web site (<http://www.columbuschildrens.com>). Please address correspondence, with the names of three references and a curriculum vitae, to Dr. Gail Herman, M.D./Ph.D., Professor and Director of Genetics Search Committee, Children's Research Institute, 700 Children's Drive, Room W403, Columbus, OH 43205; telephone: (614) 722-2848; fax: (614) 722-2817; e-mail: HermanG@pediatrics.ohio-state.edu

Research Assistant.—The Department of Research at the Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children, in Wilmington, DE, is seeking a full-time research assistant to work in its genetic epidemiology laboratory. Duties will focus on application of statistical genetic analysis to various research projects, including linkage and association studies of complex disorders (such as osteoporosis, inflammatory bowel disease, etc.) in selected populations, by use of several statistical programs. Candidates must possess a bachelor's degree or the equivalent in statistics, epidemiology, or a related area and must be experienced in

Windows and Unix environments. Send resume with salary requirements to Dr. Marcella Devoto, Department of Biomedical Research, Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children, P.O. Box 269, Wilmington, DE 19899. Resumes may be submitted electronically to mdevoto@nemours.org

Postdoctoral Position.—An immediate opening for a postdoctoral research associate is available in the Department of Pediatrics at the Medical College of Wisconsin. The initial project will involve molecular genetic approaches to human complex diseases. The successful candidate will have an M.D. or a Ph.D. in the area of genetics or molecular biology and will have relevant experience in tissue culture, genotyping, and gene-expression and protein-expression techniques. Candidates should submit a full curriculum vitae, including the names, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses of three references, and a brief description of research interests to Sun-Wei Guo, Ph.D., Professor of Pediatrics and Biostatistics, Department of Pediatrics and Division of Biostatistics, Health Policy Institute, Medical College of Wisconsin, 8701 Watertown Plank Road, MS 756, P.O. Box 26509, Milwaukee, WI 53226-0509; telephone: (414) 456-4992; fax: (414) 456-6663; e-mail: swguo@mcw.edu. The Medical College of Wisconsin is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

Statistical Geneticist.—The Human Cancer Genetics Program at The Ohio State University has an immediate opening for a statistical geneticist to fill a tenure-track or tenured faculty position. Candidates should have a Ph.D. and/or M.D. degree and postdoctoral experience as a minimum, as well as a strong commitment to cancer-genetics research. Experience and background in statistical aspects of cancer genetics, cancer predisposition, and/or cancer epidemiology will be important. Research topics of interest include but are not restricted to linkage analysis, genetics association studies, DNA methylation, expression microarray analysis, gene-dosage microarray analysis, and proteomics. The individual will be responsible for the support and maintenance of an independent research program, as well as cooperative research with other principal investigators engaged in several aspects of human genetics, with an emphasis on cancer. A leadership role in statistical genetics within the Human Cancer Genetics Program is foreseen. The Human Cancer Genetics Program is rapidly expanding under the leadership of Dr. Albert de la Chapelle and contains both basic and clinical components. The program is affiliated with the Comprehensive Cancer Center, the Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute, and the Department of Molecular Virology, Immunol-

ogy, and Medical Genetics. The Ohio State University campus includes a National Institutes of Health–funded Comprehensive Cancer Center, the College of Medicine and Public Health, the College of Biological Sciences, and other colleges with comprehensive undergraduate and graduate programs. Applications should include a detailed curriculum vitae, a description of research experience, and a statement concerning the nature of the planned independent research program. Information about the university and the Human Cancer Genetics Program can be obtained at their respective Web sites (<http://www.osu.edu/> and <http://www.cancergenetics.med.ohio-state.edu/>). Questions may be addressed to Albert de la Chapelle, M.D., Ph.D., at delachapelle-1@medctr.osu.edu. Application material should be sent to Erin Delffs, 646 Medical Research Facility, 420 West 12th Avenue, Columbus, OH 43210; e-mail: delffs-1@medctr.osu.edu. The Ohio State University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Qualified women, minorities, Vietnam-era veterans, and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

Laboratory Director.—The Department of Hospital Laboratories at the UMass Memorial Medical Center in Worcester seeks a Director for Genetic Diagnostic Services. The successful applicant will be an M.D. and/or Ph.D. who is board certified in clinical cytogenetics and clinical molecular genetics, with significant experience in the management of a busy diagnostic laboratory. The individual will act as director of an existing full-service clinical cytogenetics laboratory. In addition, the individual will act as clinical director of a molecular diagnostic laboratory that is being developed in collaboration with the UMass Medical School. The director will oversee all aspects of the delivery of high-quality molecular diagnostic services. She or he will provide interpretations of laboratory results and will work closely with clinicians and clinical geneticists. Responsibilities will also include the evaluation and implementation of emerging technologies and support of the department's educational activities. Academic appointment, in the Department of Pathology, will be based on experience and credentials. Candidates should send a statement of interest and curriculum vitae to Michael Snyder, M.D., Chair, Department of Hospital Laboratories, 365 Plantation Street, Worcester, MA 01605. The UMass Memorial Medical Center is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

Open Faculty Search, Population Geneticist.—The Human Cancer Genetics Program at The Ohio State University has an immediate opening to fill a tenure-track or tenured position. Candidates should have a Ph.D.

and/or an M.D. degree, postdoctoral experience, and a strong commitment to cancer-genetics research. Experience and background in genetic epidemiology will be important. The individual will be responsible for the support and maintenance of an independent research program in population genetics, as well as for cooperative research with other principal investigators engaged in several aspects of human genetics, with an emphasis on cancer. The Human Cancer Genetics Program is rapidly expanding under the leadership of Dr. Albert de la Chapelle and contains both basic and clinical components. The program is affiliated with the Comprehensive Cancer Center, the Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute, and the Department of Molecular Virology, Immunology, and Medical Genetics. The Ohio State University campus includes a National Institutes of Health–funded Comprehensive Cancer Center, the College of Medicine and Public Health, the College of Biological Sciences, and other colleges with comprehensive undergraduate and graduate programs. Applications should include a detailed curriculum vitae, a description of research experience, and a statement concerning the nature of the planned independent research program. Information about the university and the Human Cancer Genetics Program can be obtained at their respective Web sites (<http://www.osu.edu/> and <http://www.cancergenetics.med.ohio-state.edu/>). Application material should be sent to Erin Delffs, Administrative Manager, 646 Medical Research Facility, 420 West 12th Avenue, Columbus, OH 43210; e-mail: delffs-1@medctr.osu.edu. The Ohio State University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Qualified women, minorities, Vietnam-era veterans, and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

Human Cancer Genetics.—The Human Cancer Genetics Program at The Ohio State University has an immediate opening for a tenured or tenure-track position at the associate- or assistant-professor level. Candidates should have a Ph.D. and/or an M.D. degree, postdoctoral experience, and a strong commitment to cancer-genetics research. Experience and background in cancer genetics, cancer predisposition, and/or animal models will be important. The individual will be responsible for the support and maintenance of an independent research program in cancer genetics, as well as for cooperative research with other principal investigators engaged in several aspects of human genetics, with an emphasis on cancer. The Human Cancer Genetics Program is rapidly expanding under the leadership of Dr. Albert de la Chapelle and contains both basic and clinical components. The program is affiliated with the Comprehensive Cancer Center, the Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute, and the Department of Mo-

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Human Cancer Genetics Outreach and Education.—The Human Cancer Genetics Program has an immediate opening for a tenure-track position in human and cancer genetics research. Experience in outreach activities and education is desirable. Priority will be given to those candidates with an interest in developing novel tools for communicating complex information about the genetics of cancer to a variety of audiences and evaluating the effectiveness of these strategies. The individual will be expected to develop a research program in this area. A highly competitive recruiting package is available. The Human Cancer Genetics Program is rapidly expanding under the leadership of Dr. Albert de la Chapelle and contains both basic and clinical components. The program is affiliated with the Comprehensive Cancer Center and the Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute and the Department of Molecular Virology, Immunology, and Medical Genetics. The Ohio State University campus includes a National Institutes of Health–funded Comprehensive Cancer Center, the College of Medicine and Public Health, the nearby College of Biological Sciences, and other colleges with comprehensive undergraduate and graduate programs. Applications should include a detailed curriculum vitae, a description of research experience, and a statement concerning the nature of the planned independent research program. Information about the university and the Human Cancer Genetics Program can be obtained by contacting our Web sites (<http://www.osu.edu/> or <http://www.cancergenetics.med.ohio-state.edu/>). Questions may be addressed to Albert de la Chapelle, M.D., Ph.D., at delachapelle-1@medctr.osu.edu. Application material should be sent to Erin Delffs,

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Associate Research Scientist.—The Columbia Genome Center is seeking a qualified individual for an associate research scientist position. Applicants must have a Ph.D. in statistical genetics and extensive experience in algorithm and software design or an equivalent degree in computer science. Applicants also are required to have expert knowledge and experience in genome sequence analysis, genome databases, and linkage and association analysis. The successful candidate will be involved in developing statistical methods for analysis of complex disease data and implementation of such methods in computer programs for use by the genetics community. In addition, she or he will be heading the bioinformatics team in the discovery of the methylation landscape of the human genome. For more information, contact Fatemeh G. Haghighi, Ph.D., Columbia Genome Center, Russ Berrie Pavilion, 1150 St. Nicholas Avenue, Room 517, New York, NY 10032; telephone: (212) 851-5204; fax: (212) 851-5176. Columbia University is an equal opportunity employer.

FELLOWSHIP

Canavan Foundation Fellowship.—The Canavan Foundation is pleased to invite applications for innovative research on Canavan disease. Improved carrier detection and prenatal testing, treatment modalities, animal models, and the pathogenesis of Canavan disease are among the areas that might be investigated. A 2-year postdoctoral research fellowship of \$50,000/year, including 10% overhead, will be considered. Previous awardees of Canavan Foundation grants have been K. Michael Gibson, Ph.D.; George Hoganson, M.D.; Paola Leone, Ph.D.; Esther Leshinsky, Ph.D.; and Reuben Matalon, M.D., Ph.D. Preliminary letters of intent should be submitted by October 31, 2002, to canavandisease@aol.com. Applicants who are selected by the Canavan Foundation Scientific/Medical Advisory Committee will be invited to submit a formal grant application. The grant application submission deadline will be January 17, 2003. The recipient of the Canavan Foundation Fellowship will be notified by May 1, 2003. For more information, contact the Canavan Foundation, 110 Riverside Drive, 4F, New York, NY 10024; telephone: (212) 873-4640; canavandisease@aol.com

NOMINATIONS

2003 Peter Gruber Foundation Genetics Prize.—The deadline for nominations for the 2003 Peter Gruber Foundation Genetics Prize is October 1, 2002. The prize is awarded for fundamental insights in genetics, including original discoveries in genomic organization, function, regulation, variation, and transmission. Nominations may be submitted by individuals, organizations, or institutions. Self-nominations are not accepted. A panel

of distinguished advisors selects the annual recipient. Each award carries a \$150,000 cash prize and a gold medal. The 2003 Genetics Prize will be presented in Melbourne, Australia, in July, 2003. For more information and a nomination form, please visit the foundation's Web site (<http://www.petergruberfoundation.org>). Completed nominations, reference letters, and inquiries should be mailed to the Peter Gruber Foundation, 6000 Estate Charlotte Amalie, Suite 4, St. Thomas, VI 00802, or P.O. Box 503210, St. Thomas, VI 00805; telephone: (340) 775-8035; fax: (340) 775-8040; e-mail: pat@petergruberfoundation.org