

Announcements¹

EMPLOYMENT AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Director, Division of Extramural Research.—The National Institutes of Health, National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders, invites applications for the position of Director of the Division of Extramural Research. The Director will plan, direct, and provide leadership for all of NIDCD's extramural research and research training activities; be responsible for the development, dissemination, and implementation of extramural review and management policies and pursue program goals through both grant and contract mechanisms; prepare budget and personnel plans, allocate resources, and sign documents for financial and other commitments of the Institute with authority delegated by the Director, NIDCD; identify major extramural research and training programmatic strategic issues; and serve as the principal advisor to the Director and NIH leadership regarding NIDCD's programmatic extramural activities. All applications must be postmarked by November 20, 1998. Applicants should submit a C.V., an Application for Federal Employment (SF-171), an Optional Application for Federal Employment (OF-612), a resume, or any other written format to: Ms. Christine A. Clements, Personnel Officer, NIDCD, National Institutes of Health, 31 Center Drive, MSC 2320, Bethesda, Maryland 20892-2320; phone (301) 402-0508; E-mail: clementc@nidcd.nih.gov. NIH is an equal opportunity employer.

Cytogenetics Laboratory Director.—Genzyme Genetics seeks applicants for its Santa Fe, NM, facility. Candidates must be American Board of Medical Genetics–certified in clinical cytogenetics. Significant experience in managing a cytogenetics laboratory is required. Interested applicants should submit a letter of interest, C.V., salary requirements, and list of references to: Diane Marbourg, Human Resources Manager, Genzyme Genetics, 2000 Vivigen Way, Santa Fe, NM, 87505; or fax to (505) 438-2277. Genzyme Genetics is an Equal Opportunity Employer that is proud of the diversity of its workforce.

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Postdoctoral Fellowship.—A postdoctoral fellowship is available in the Biochemical Genetics Laboratory of the Department of Pediatrics, New York Medical College. This position requires a doctorate in biochemistry, cell and molecular biology, or a related field. Experience with chromatographic techniques, mass spectroscopy, and/or enzyme assays is preferred. Send C.V., relevant reprints, and three references to: Dr. Frits A. Hommes, Biochemical Genetics Laboratory, Department of Pediatrics, New York Medical College, Cedarwood Hall, Room A134, Valhalla, NY 10595; phone (914) 493-1843; fax (914) 493-1924.

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Genetic Counselor.—The Department of Pediatrics at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine has an immediate opening for a genetic counselor at the faculty instructor level for the Division of Genetics and Metabolism. Applicants should be board eligible/board certified by the American Board of Genetic Counseling. Responsibilities include general pediatric clinic staffed by clinical geneticist, genetic counseling clinic, multiple specialty clinics, instructing medical students and residents, and professional and community education. Interested candidates should submit a C.V. to Dr. Virginia Kimonis,

1. Announcements are published free of charge for members of The American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG). Please send announcement text by E-mail to ajhg@u.washington.edu or by fax to (206) 685-9684. Please limit announcements to 150 words, excluding the address for correspondence, and indicate the name of the sponsoring ASHG member. Announcements will be posted on the electronic edition of the *Journal* within a week of receipt. For the print edition, submissions must be received 5 weeks before the month of the issue in which publication is requested.

SIU School of Medicine, P.O. Box 19658, Springfield, IL 62794-9658; E-mail: vkimonis@wpsmtp.siumed.edu. Deadline for applications is December 30, 1998 or until position is filled. This position has been designated security-sensitive, and employment is contingent upon the results of a criminal background investigation. Southern Illinois University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Genetic Technologist.—Baystate Medical Center (Western Campus, Tufts University School of Medicine) has an immediate opening available for a research and clinical technologist with a minimum of 1 year's experience. The laboratory offers a full range of diagnostic genetic services, including prenatal, pediatric, cancer, and molecular. A bachelor's degree is desired and experience in molecular techniques and FISH preferred. Working conditions, benefits, and salaries are highly competitive; salary commensurate with experience and skills. Located in Springfield, MA, less than two hours from Boston and three hours from Manhattan; the community offers low cost of living and abundant educational, cultural, and recreational resources. Applicants should send, via fax or E-mail, a letter stating their goals, a resume, and the names of three references to: Dr. Rizwan C. Naeem, FACMG, Director, Laboratory Genetics, Baystate Medical Center, 759 Chestnut Street, Springfield, MA 01199; phone (413) 794-5130; fax (413) 794-5481; E-mail: rizwan.naeem.bhs.org

COURSES

1999 Genetics Review Course.—American College of Medical Genetics (formerly offered by Baylor College of Medicine), April 23–25, in Schaumburg, IL (near Chicago's O'Hare Airport). Designed to address clinical and counseling issues in medical genetics, the course will serve as a solid review in the basics of medical genetics as well as a preparation for the 1999 American Board of Medical Genetics and American Board of Genetic Counseling examinations in general genetics, genetic counseling, and laboratory and clinical aspects of genetics. The course is approved for CME credit and should be approved for CEU credit. For more information, contact the American College of Medical Genetics, 9650 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20814; phone (301) 530-7127; fax (301) 571-1895; E-mail: mgross@faseb.org

CME Postgraduate Course "Human Genetics and Human Cancer III".—To be held April 28–30, 1999, at the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. The course

will review recent advances in cancer genetics and will include three components: "Foundations," concentrating on the function of genes, genetic epidemiology, and the mechanism of oncogenesis; "Methodologies," focusing on methods for improving diagnosis of cancer by mutation analysis and for improving therapy by gene transfer; and "Systemic Review," reporting the latest knowledge on individual types of cancer. Keynote speakers will include Frank McCormick, University of California, San Francisco; T. H. Rabbitts, Laboratory of Molecular Biology, MRC, Cambridge, UK; Ted Friedmann, University of California, San Diego; Luca Cavalli-Sforza, Stanford University; Argiris Efstratiadis, Columbia University; Mark Ptashne, Raju Chaganti, Nathan Ellis, Michel Sadelain, and Pier Paolo Pandolfi of MSKCC. The course director will be Lucio Luzzatto. Preregistration is preferred; registration fees are \$250 for M.D.'s, Ph.D.'s, and D.O.'s; \$150 plus letter of introduction from the program director for residents, fellows, trainees, and students; and \$150 for technologists, genetic counselors, and other healthcare professionals. To qualify for a discounted preregistration fee, both the registration form and payment must be received by April 1, 1999. For a registration form and course brochure, contact: Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, Department of Human Genetics, 1275 York Avenue, New York, NY 10021; phone (212) 639-6165; fax (212) 717-3374; E-mail: v-charles@ski.mskcc.org

MEETING

1999 Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting.—To be held March 19–21, in Miami, FL. Topics range from the investigation of the etiology and pathogenesis of disease to the delivery of genetic services and the ethical, legal, and public policy issues that arise in the laboratory, clinic, courtroom, and halls of government. Deadline for submitting abstracts is December 11, 1998. For more information, contact: American College of Medical Genetics, 9650 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20814; phone (301) 571-1887; fax (301) 571-1895; E-mail: mgross@faseb.org

HUMAN DIVERSITY PANELS

National Institute of General Medical Sciences Human Genetic Mutant Cell Repository.—The NIGMS has assembled numerous human diversity panels for distribution as individual cell cultures and/or DNA panels. Each collection contains 10 unrelated individuals, both males and females, from the following ethnic groups: Northern European, African American, Chinese, Middle Eastern, Indo-Pakistani, Japanese, Mexican, Puerto Rican, Southwest Native American, Russian, Ashkenazi

Jewish, Italian, Caribbean, South American, and African. Additional panels are in preparation. Information about these samples is available via the World Wide Web (<http://locus.umdj.edu/nigms>) or by contacting the Repository: NIGMS Human Genetic Mutant Cell Repos-

itory, Coriell Cell Repositories, Coriell Institute for Medical Research, 401 Haddon Avenue, Camden, NJ 08103; phone (800) 752-3805 within the United States, (609) 757-4848 from other countries; fax (609) 757-9737; E-mail: ccr@arginine.umdj.edu