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Announcements[1]

Employment and Fellowship Opportunities

Cytogenetics Laboratory Director.—Genzyme Genetics seeks applicants for its Santa Fe, New Mexico 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, Job No. AJHG 199, 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.

Postdoctoral Fellowship.—A postdoctoral fellowship position is available in the Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism, Department of Internal Medicine, Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents and have either a Ph.D. in biochemistry/cell and molecular biology/genetics or an M.D. degree with previous research experience. Projects in the lab include determining the molecular genetic basis for non–insulin dependent diabetes and other disorders of carbohydrate metabolism in Ashkenazi Jewish families. Opportunities to learn methods of positional cloning and candidate gene analysis, including course work in statistical genetics, are available. Send C.V., relevant reprints, and three references to: Dr. M. Alan Permutt, Division of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism, Washington University School of Medicine, 660 South Euclid, Campus Box 8127, St. Louis, MO 63110; phone (314) 362-8680; fax (314) 747-1309; E-mail: jwokurka@imgate.wustl.edu

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Faculty Position.—The Division of Human Genetics and Molecular Biology of the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, the Department of Pediatrics of the University of Pennsylvania's School of Medicine, is recruiting, in the clinician-educator track position, for an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics. This position is intended for a physician scientist, who will have both clinical and research responsibilities. The applicant for this position should have an M.D. and/or Ph.D. degree and have demonstrated clinical and research expertise in the molecular genetics of human disease. The applicant should be certified or eligible for certification in Clinical Genetics by the American Board of Medical Genetics. Attractive laboratory space in a new research building and additional resources are available. The University of Pennsylvania is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Send a C.V., including bibliography, a statement of research interests, and the names and addresses of three references to: Dr. Beverly S. Emanuel, Director, Division of Human Genetics and Molecular Biology, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Room 1002 Abramson Research Building, 34th and Civic Center Blvd., Philadelphia, PA 19104.

Managing Editor, American Journal of Human Genetics.—International, monthly, peer-reviewed journal of research in human genetics requires a managing editor to begin April 1, 1999, in Atlanta, GA, at Emory University School of Medicine. Establish new editorial office; plan and manage overall and day-to-day editorial

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operations of print and online journal; manage communications with the American Society of Human Genetics, the publisher, authors, reviewers, and the editors; oversee the peer–review process; maintain electronic database; supervise editorial office staff; assist the editor-in-chief in maintaining all aspects of *Journal* quality; respond to inquiries from the media, the scientific community, and the general public; represent the *Journal* at the annual meeting of the American Society of Human Genetics and other meetings; write annual reports and other communications. The ideal candidate has a bachelor's degree, experience in scholarly publishing, and excellent communication, organizational, and supervisory skills. This is a 5-year appointment. We offer a competitive salary and excellent benefits. Send a resume and salary history to: Stephen T. Warren, Ph.D., Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Emory University School of Medicine, 4035 RRC, 1510 Clifton Road, Atlanta, GA 30322.

Cell Lines

DNA Polymorphism Discovery Resource.—The National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI), in collaboration with the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) and its Human Genetic Mutant Cell Repository, has developed a resource of cell lines and DNA samples that can be used to discover DNA sequence polymorphisms. This resource will consist of cell lines and DNA samples from 450 unrelated individuals, male and female. It is designed to reflect the diversity in the human population. In addition to the complete set, predefined nested subsets with 8, 24, 44, and 90 samples, and encompassing the same range of diversity as the complete set, are also available. Summaries of the numbers of individuals sampled from each population group will be available for the complete set and the subsets, but no medical, phenotypic, or ethnicity information will be associated with individual samples. The individuals sampled include European Americans, African Americans, Mexican Americans, Native Americans, and Asian Americans. The samples are available from the Coriell Institute for Medical Research. For information about ordering these samples, see http://locus.umdnj.edu/nigms, and for information on the DNA Polymorphism Discovery Resource, see http://www.nhgri.nih.gov/Grant_info/Funding/discover_polymorphisms.html and Collins FS, Brooks LD, and Chakravarti A (1998) A DNA polymorphism discovery resource for research on human genetic variation. Genome Res 8: 1229–1231. Contact Dr. Jeanne C. Beck, NIGMS Human Genetic Mutant Cell Repository Coriell Cell Repositories, 401 Haddon Avenue, Camden, NJ 08103; phone (800) 752-3805 in the United States, (609) 757-4848 from other countries; fax (609) 757-9737; E-mail: jbeck@umdnj.edu

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Meetings

Annual Great Lakes Chromosome Conference.—To be held May 20–21, 1999 in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. For further information, please contact Dr. S. Farrell by phone (905-813-4104), fax (905-813-4347), or E-mail (sfarrell@thehospital.net).

First International Symposium on X-Chromosome Inactivation in Mammals.—Hosted by the Institute of Cytology and Genetics of the Russian Academy of Sciences. To be held September 6–12, 1999 in Akademgorodok at the Novosibirsk Science Center, Russia. There will be plenary, section, and poster sessions. Invited contributors include Mary Lyon, Hunt Willard, Neil Brockdorf, Rudolph Jaenisch, John McCarrey, Nobuo Takagi, Phil Avner, Alan Ashworth, Graham Kay, Jeanne Lawrence, and Jennifer Graves. The Symposium will bring together experts in X-inactivation to discuss the exciting progress in this field. We encourage scientists to participate in this program by contributing an oral or poster presentation. For more information, contact Dr. Neil Brockdorff (phone +44-181-383-8298, fax +44-181-383-8303, or E-mail nbrockdo@hgmp.mrc.ac.uk), or Dr. Suren Zakian (phone +7-3832-333-413, fax +7-3832-333-179, or E-mail: zakian@bionet.nsc.ru), or visit the Symposium Website at http://xchrom.bionet.nsc.ru

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2d International Conference, Unstable Microsatellite and Human Disease.—To be held April 17–20, 1999 in Chapel Hill, NC at the University of North Carolina, Friday Conference Center. Topics include fragile X syndrome, myotonic dystrophy, telomere structure and function, mechanisms of triplet and microsatellite DNA expansion, Friedreich ataxia, Huntington disease, Kennedy disease, spinocerebellar ataxias, polyglutamine tracts and gene targeting, and the pathogenesis of neurodegenerative diseases. For further information, contact Joann McPherson, UNC PMBB, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-7100; phone (919) 962-8920; fax (919) 966-6821; E-mail: smj02012@med.unc.edu; World Wide Web http://www.unc.edu/~tripdna

COURSE

23d Wellcome Trust Summer School.—Human Genome Analysis: Genetic Analysis of Multifactorial Diseases. To be held July 24–30, 1999, at the Wellcome Trust Genome Campus, Hinxton, Cambridge, UK. Intensive, computer-based course for scientists actively involved in genetic analysis of multifactorial traits. Organized by Dan Weeks (Pittsburgh) and Mark Lathrop (Oxford). Confirmed speakers: Lon Cardon (Oxford), David Clayton (Cambridge), and Robert Elston (Case Western). Topics to be covered include qualitative traits: sib-pair methods; qualitative traits: affected-relative methods; quantitative traits: sib-pair methods; quantitative traits: regressive models; Markov chain Monte-Carlo approaches; and linkage disequilibrium: testing for association. Teaching will comprise informal tutorials, hands-on computer sessions, and analysis of disease family data sets. There will be opportunities to analyze and discuss participants' own data sets. Open to scientists worldwide, the course is strictly residential. Course costs are subsidized by the Wellcome Trust, but there is a charge of £400 toward board and lodging. Closing date for applications is April 16, 1999. General information is available at http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/summerschools/. Applicants (post-doctoral or equivalent) should send a hardcopy of their full C.V., a 300-word outline of their current and ongoing research plans, indicating the relevance of the course, and documentation verifying active involvement in a linkage or family-based association study (animal/human), to Dr. Pelin Faik, Course Coordinator, Wellcome Trust Summer Schools, The Wellcome Trust, 183 Euston Road, London NW1 2BE. Fax +44-171-611-8688; E-mail: wtss@wellcome.ac.uk