Announcements[1]

Employment Opportunities

Research Fellowship.—Fellowship in Genetics and the Law. The Arizona State University Center for the Study of Law, Science, and Technology invites applications for a visiting research fellowship in genetics and the law. This fellowship, sponsored by SmithKline Beecham Corporation, Philadelphia, PA, offers distinguished scholars the opportunity to spend a year in residence at the Center studying and writing on a significant problem of their choice in the area of genetics, law, and public policy. The deadline for applications for the 2000–2001 academic year is February 1, 2000. Additional information is available at http://www.law.asu.edu/programs/sci-tech/gen-law and from Professor Daniel Strouse, (480) 965-2554.

Scientific Director.—Harvard Medical School is seeking a professor to develop a new Center for Human Genetics at Partners HealthCare System and serve as the scientific director. PHS is an integrated health-care delivery system founded by Brigham & Women's Hospital and Massachusetts General Hospital. It is composed of these two academic medical centers, a 900-primary-care-physician network, specialty hospitals, community hospitals, and community health centers. In addition to a research program of distinction in genetics, the candidate will be responsible for leadership in all aspects of the center. This will include development of a broad-based research initiative in the molecular mechanisms of disease, genomics technology, bioinformatics, and education. Reporting to the scientific director will be a medical director and a director of technology, as well as a team of scientists to be recruited. Candidates must be nationally recognized leaders in the field of genetics research/genomics and must be interested in integrating research with clinical care. The successful candidate must be an M.D., Ph.D., or M.D./Ph.D. and must have demonstrated scientific, teaching/mentoring, administrative, and leadership skills. Interested individuals should send a letter and a C.V. to: Victor J. Dzau, M.D., Hersey Professor of Theory and Practice of Medicine, Department of Medicine, Brigham and Women's Hospital, 75 Francis Street, Boston, MA 02155. Partners/Harvard Medical School is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Women and minorities are particularly encouraged to apply.

Assistant/Associate Professor.—The Cardiovascular Division in the Department of Medicine at Brigham & Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School seeks an outstanding scientist in the area of physiological genomics. Areas of interest include transcriptional profiling, yeast or mammalian hybrid systems, proteomics, high-throughput physiological screening, and genetic analysis of complex traits in model organisms. The successful applicant will enjoy an outstanding competitive start-up package, excellent space, and state-of-the-art core facilities and will interact with a strong interdisciplinary basic and clinical group, focused on the cardiovascular system, that includes investigators from both Brigham & Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School. Please send a C.V., a description of research interests, and the names of three references by January 30, 2000 to: Chair, Physiological genomics Search Committee, Thorn 1319, Brigham & Women's Hospital, 75 Francis Street, Boston, MA 02115. BWH is an equal opportunity employer.

1. Announcements are published free of charge for members of The American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG). Please mail announcements to The American Journal of Human Genetics, Emory University School of Medicine, 1462 Clifton Road, Room B28, Atlanta, GA 30322-3050; fax them to (404) 712-9984; or send via E-mail to ajhg@emory.edu. Submission must be received *at least 7 weeks* before the month of issue in which publication is requested. They must be double spaced with a 1½-inch margin on all sides. The maximum length is *250 words*, excluding the address for correspondence. Please include a cover letter indicating the name of the sponsoring ASHG member.

Assistant Professor.—The Genetics Division in the Department of Medicine at Brigham & Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School seeks an outstanding scientist in human genetics. Applicants should be Ph.D., M.D., or M.D./Ph.D. and should have several years of relevant postdoctoral experience. Areas of particular interest include analysis of complex polygenic disease, identification and analysis of human disease genes, and genome-based strategies for polymorphism detection. The successful applicant will enjoy an outstanding competitive start-up package, excellent space, and state-of-the-art core facilities and will be able to interface with strong existing expertise in model organisms. Send a C.V., a description of research interests, and the names of three references by January 30, 2000 to Dr. Richard L. Maas, Genetics Search Committee Acting Chair, Genetics Division, Thorn 1019, Department of Medicine, Brigham & Women's Hospital, 75 Francis Street, Boston, MA 02115. BWH is an equal opportunity employer.

Medical Director.—The Inland Northwest Genetics Clinic in Spokane, WA is seeking an M.D. clinical geneticist to replace our retiring medical director. Candidates must be board eligible or certified by the American Board of Medical Genetics. Ability to relate to patients and families is a requirement. The Inland Northwest Genetics Clinic has been providing services to the patients and families in our area for 25 years. Affiliations are with the University of Washington and the Children's Hospital and Medical Center in Seattle. Clinical faculty appointments at these institutions are available. Salary commensurate with training and experience. Duties include clinical care, teaching, and administration. Interested applicants should send a letter of interest and a curriculum vitae to: Michael A. Donlan, M.D., F.A.A.P., D.A.B.M.G., Search Committee, Inland Northwest Genetics Clinic, 604 West 6th Avenue, Spokane, WA 99204.

Postdoctoral Position.—Postdoctoral Position in genomics. Two positions are available for individuals interested in physical mapping and in developing DNA microarray-based gene-mapping and gene-expression methods. The experience will involve generating genomic and cDNA microarrays, mismatch detection, gene-expression analysis, and data analysis. For descriptions of various projects in the lab, please refer to our website: genomics.med.upenn.edu/vcheung. Applicants should have a Ph.D. in molecular genetics, biochemistry, or bioinformatics. They must have extensive experience in molecular biology or computational skills and a demonstrated ability to conduct independent projects. Please send a C.V., a statement of research goals, and the names of three references to: Vivian Cheung, M.D., University of Pennsylvania, Department of Pediatrics, 3516 Civic Center Boulevard, ARC 516, Philadelphia, PA 19104. E-mail: vcheung@mail.med.upenn.edu

Prizes

$20,000 in Prizes for Neurofibromatosis Research Ideas in Biology and Genetics.—Sponsored by QXL.com, a leading European online-auction company, in partnership with the National Neurofibromatosis Foundation (http://www.nf.org/) and the International Neurofibromatosis Association. A distinguished panel—co-chaired by Dr. Tyler Jacks of MIT, Drs. Bruce Korf and James Gusella of Harvard Medical School, Dr. Kevin Shannon of the University of California at San Francisco, and Dr. Alan Rubenstein of Mt. Sinai Medical School—will judge all entries. $10,000 is being offered to graduate students for great research ideas in biology and genetics concentrating on neurofibromatosis (NF). Runners-up can compete for prizes of $5,000 and $3,000. The top winner will also receive a $2,000 stipend to attend an international NF meeting. Entries are due between November 1, 1999 and January 30, 2000. Results will be announced on March 1, 2000. Submit a three-page outline of your research idea via email (see http://www.nfideas.org/. This website gives full details of the prize, the rules for applying, and directions for applying by e-mail. The aim of the prize is to stimulate interest by gifted scientists around the world in this important but underresearched area of study. Neurofibromatosis, which is more prevalent than cystic fibrosis, Huntington disease, and Tay Sachs disease combined, is the most common neurological disorder caused by a single gene. NF causes tumors to grow along the nerves anywhere in the body. For more information, contact the National Neurofibromatosis Foundation at (800) 323-7938.

Fellowship

Jane Engelberg Memorial Fellowship.—The Jane Engelberg Memorial Fellowship (JEMF) is open to genetic counselors who are full members in good standing of the National Society of Genetic Counselors (NSGC) and are certified in genetic counseling by the American Board of Medical Genetics or the American Board of Genetic Counseling. Individuals who have been granted active candidate status by the American Board of Genetic Counseling also are eligible to apply for a JEMF. The

eighth fellowship award, an annual $50,000 grant of the Engelberg Foundation to the NSGC, will be awarded for 2000–2001 to one genetic counselor (or to more than one genetic counselor who will share the award) for study; research; writing; or exploration of new interests in order to enhance present skills, to develop new skills, to contribute to the body of knowledge in the field of genetic counseling, or to expand professional roles. Applicants must demonstrate that the work supported by the fellowship will produce results that (1) will be of sufficiently broad interest to warrant professional publication and/or presentation, and (2) will enrich the base of knowledge in the professional community concerned with genetic counseling. Applicants may elect to pursue fellowship work on a part-time or full-time basis for a maximum of 1 year. The award will be presented at the annual NSGC Education Conference in 2000. Applications are due May 1, 2000. A program application and guideline booklet will be mailed in January to all NSGC full members. For more information, contact: Audrey Heimler, P.O. Box 358, Morris, CT 06763; fax: (860) 567-1340; E-mail: AHeimler@aol.com

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Conference

Great Lakes Chromosome Conference.—The Great Lakes Chromosome Conference will be held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, on May 18–19, 2000. For further information or a registration package, please e-mail sfarrell@cvh.on.ca or call (905) 813-4104 and ask for Dr. Farrell.