Announcements[1]

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Postdoctoral Fellowship Position.—A position is available immediately in the Biochemical Genetics Laboratory of the Department of Biochemistry at the University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, Canada, to participate in a new collaborative project with Dr. John Barranger (of the University of Pittsburgh) and Dr. Tony Rupar. The goal of this project is to identify potential therapies for metachromatic leukodystrophy. A doctorate in biochemistry, molecular biology, genetics, or a related discipline is required. The ideal candidate will have a background in gene transfer, primary cell culture, and mouse-model systems; however, candidates with other backgrounds will be considered. The ability to work both independently and cooperatively within the team is important. The salary is a minimum of C$30,000 and is available for 2 years, with the possibility of renewal. In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada, but applications from non-Canadians are encouraged. The University of Western Ontario is committed to employment equity. Please apply to Dr. C. A. Rupar, Biochemical Genetics Laboratory, CPRI, 600 Sanatorium Road, London, ON N6H 3W7, Canada. E-mail: trupar@julian.uwo.ca

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Chair, New Department of Genetics.—Boston University School of Medicine is seeking a prominent, nationally recognized scientist who is ready to lead a newly created Department of Genetics. This exciting, challenging position offers the opportunity to identify research directions for the new department that will complement existing programs at the medical school. The Chair will be expected to maintain his or her own research program, will be responsible for centralizing and integrating teaching and degree programs in genetics at the medical school, and will lead an effort to develop new core genetics/genomics facilities that interface with those at the medical school and main campus. Research and office space, funds for core facilities, and funds for recruiting new faculty are available. Forward applications or nominations to Genetics Search Committee, c/o Jerome S. Brody, M.D., Boston University School of Medicine (R-3), 715 Albany Street, Boston, MA 02118. E-mail: jbrody@bu.edu

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Positions in Cytogenetics.—Yale University's full-service cytogenetics laboratory is rapidly expanding and modernizing. We process almost 2,000 specimens per year (blood, bone marrow, solid tumors, skin, amniotic fluid, chorionic villi, and products of conception). The laboratory also performs all routine functions in cytogenetics, such as culture, harvesting, automated karyotyping, cytogenetic analyses, cell banking, and many others. We have an active molecular cytogenetics and research program. Techniques available include FISH, comparative genomic hybridization (CGH), PCR, apoptosis, gene-expression microarrays, and array CGH. Positions are available for assistant director, postdoctoral fellows, and technical staff. Excellent opportunities for motivated and energetic individuals. See our Web page (http://info.med.yale.edu/genetics/clinical/lab_services/). For more information, contact Mazin Qumsiyeh, Ph.D., F.A.B.M.G., Director, Cytogenetic Services, Genetics Department WWW333, 333 Cedar Street, Box 208005, Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, CT 06520-8005. Telephone: (203) 785-2146; Fax: (203) 785-7673; e-mail: mazin.qumsiyeh@yale.edu

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Postdoctoral Positions.—Two immediate openings for postdoctoral research associate appointment are available in the Department of Pediatrics, Medical College of Wisconsin. The initial project will involve molecular genetic approaches to human complex diseases. Successful candidates 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, gene expression, and protein expression techniques. Candidates should submit a full curriculum vitae—including the names, phone 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, Medical College of Wisconsin, 8701 Watertown Plank Road, MS 756, P.O. Box 26509, Milwaukee, WI 53226-0509; telephone: (414) 456-4901; fax: (414) 456-6663; e-mail: swguo@mcw.edu. The Medical College of Wisconsin is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

Research Positions in Molecular Genetics of Coronary Artery Disease.—Two positions are available immediately in the newly created Center for Cardiovascular Genetics in the Department of Cardiology at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation (CCF). Position 1: postdoctoral research fellow or senior research technologist in genetics, molecular biology, or a related discipline. Position 2: project scientists with expertise in the genetics of complex disease, statistical genetics, or functional genomics. The Center applies cutting-edge technologies to mapping, cloning, and characterization of susceptibility genes for premature coronary artery disease (CAD), the number one killer disease in developed countries. The CCF cardiology program is one of the largest programs in the United States and has been consistently ranked first for the past 6 years by US News and World Report. More than 600 sib pairs with premature CAD are already available for the project, and we have access to thousands of new patients each year at CCF. State-of-the-art research facilities are available for the project. Interested applicants should submit a curriculum vitae and the names and addresses of three references to Dr. Qing Wang, Center for Molecular Genetics, ND40, or Dr. Eric Topol, Chairman, Department of Cardiology, F25, The Cleveland Clinic, 9500 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44195. E-mail: wangq2@ccf.org or topole@ccf.org

Postdoctoral Position.—A postdoctoral position is available immediately to participate in an ongoing program on linkage, fine mapping, and positional candidate analyses of genes for several diseases: intracranial aneurysms, abdominal aortic aneurysms, Schnyder's crystalline corneal dystrophy, and Blau syndrome. Methods include molecular biology techniques such as genotyping, PCR, DNA sequencing, detection of variants, and genome analysis. Applicants should have a Ph.D., an M.D., or both, as well as at least 1 year of experience in molecular biology or genetics. Applicants should submit a brief summary of their research experience, a curriculum vitae, and the names of and contact information for three references to Dr. Gerard Tromp, Center for Molecular Medicine and Genetics, Wayne State University, 3116 Scott Hall, 540 East Canfield Avenue, Detroit, MI 48201; telephone: (313) 577-8773; fax: (313) 577-5218; e-mail: tromp@sanger.med.wayne.edu

Cytogenetics Laboratory Technologist.—The Division of Medical Genetics at the Royal University Hospital and the University of Saskatchewan, in Saskatoon, SK, Canada, is a rapidly expanding genetics facility and invites applications to fill immediately the position of cytogenetics laboratory technologist. The University of Saskatchewan is located near downtown in the city of Saskatoon, on the banks of the South Saskatchewan River. The city is a cultural center with year-round recreational facilities and is within 2 hours of many provincial and national parks, lakes, beaches, golf courses, and wilderness areas. The university annually welcomes >19,000 full- and part-time undergraduate and graduate students to what is reputed to be among the most picturesque campuses in North America. The Royal University Hospital is a 490-bed facility located adjacent to the University of Saskatchewan. The Cytogenetics Laboratory is located at the Royal University Hospital and is part of the Division of Medical Genetics. This is a new and permanent full-time cytogenetics technologist position to perform computer–aided karotype and FISH analysis on amniotic fluid, peripheral blood, and bone marrow specimens. The preferred candidate will have subject certification in cytogenetics. We offer a competitive salary and benefits package. Position-specific questions can be directed to Dr. Janette van den Berghe by telephone, at (306) 655-1708, or by e-mail, at vandenberghej@sdh.sk.ca. Please forward your resume to Barry Barss, Employment Services, Saskatoon District Health, 103 Hospital Drive, Saskatoon, SK, S7N 0W8; fax: (306) 655-2444; e-mail: barssb@sdh.sk.ca

Genetic Counselor.—The Division of Medical Genetics at the Royal University Hospital and the University of Saskatchewan, in Saskatoon, SK, Canada, is a rapidly expanding facility and invites applications to fill immediately the position of genetic counselor. The University of Saskatchewan is located near downtown in the city of Saskatoon, on the banks of the South Saskatchewan River. The city is a cultural center with year-

round recreational facilities and is within 2 hours of many provincial and national parks, lakes, beaches, golf courses, and wilderness areas. The university annually welcomes >19,000 full- and part-time undergraduate and graduate students to what is reputed to be among the most picturesque campuses in North America. The Royal University Hospital is a 490-bed facility located adjacent to the University of Saskatchewan. The position is within the Division of Medical Genetics, which currently consists of one medical geneticist, two genetic counselors, one Ph.D. cytogeneticist, and support staff. Under the direction of the medical geneticist, the genetic counselor will participate in the coordination and day-to-day administration of a busy general genetics program. This involves screening and accepting patient referrals, preparation and follow-up of families for genetic assessment, and counseling, teaching, and liaison with other related fields and professionals. Candidates must demonstrate organizational skills, good communication and interpersonal skills, cooperativeness, and dependability. The genetic counselor will have ample opportunity to counsel patients independently but must also work well in a team setting. Basic computer skills are essential. Applicants must have a master's degree in genetic counseling/genetics or 2 years of recent genetic counseling experience and an equivalent education level. The successful candidate must be eligible for membership and certification in the Canadian Association of Genetic Counselors (CAGC). We offer a competitive salary and benefits package. Position-specific questions can be directed to Dr. Edmond G. Lemire by telephone, at (306) 655-1692, or by e-mail, at lemiree@sdh.sk.ca. Please forward your resume to Ms. Jill Lockhart, Saskatoon District Health Human Resources, 103 Hospital Drive, Royal University Hospital, Saskatoon, SK Canada S7N 0W8; fax: (306) 655-2444; e-mail: lockhartj@sdh.sk.ca

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Director of the Metabolic Diseases Program.—The Division of Medical Genetics at the Royal University Hospital and the University of Saskatchewan, in Saskatoon, SK, Canada, is a rapidly expanding genetics facility and invites applications to fill immediately the position of Director of the Metabolic Diseases Program. The University of Saskatchewan is located near downtown in the city of Saskatoon, on the banks of the South Saskatchewan River. The city is a cultural center with year-round recreational facilities and is within 2 hours of many provincial and national parks, lakes, beaches, golf courses, and wilderness areas. The university annually welcomes >19,000 full- and part-time undergraduate and graduate students to what is reputed to be among the most picturesque campuses in North America. The Royal University Hospital is a 490-bed facility located adjacent to the University of Saskatchewan. The Metabolic Diseases Program is a part of the Division of Medical Genetics. The Division of Medical Genetics currently consists of one medical geneticist, two genetic counselors, one Ph.D. cytogeneticist, and support staff. The director will lead a team involved in the diagnosis and management of patients with metabolic disorders and will be involved with the provincial newborn-screening program. The Provincial Laboratory in Regina has recently acquired a tandem mass spectrometer for use in the newborn-screening program. There is a metabolic laboratory with two full-time technologists. The director's responsibilities will include participation in clinical care, medical education, and research. Applicants must possess an M.D. degree and must be certified or eligible for certification in medical genetics and/or pediatrics through the Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons of Canada and must have experience in the treatment of patients with metabolic disorders. Candidates with clinical experience in biochemical genetics who are certified through the CCMG and/or the ABMG will also be considered. Licensure by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan is necessary. Salary and rank will be commensurate with experience and qualifications. Interested individuals should submit a curriculum vitae, along with three letters of reference, to Dr. Edmond G. Lemire, Division of Medical Genetics, Royal University Hospital, 103 Hospital Drive, Saskatoon, SK, Canada S7N 0W8. For further information, please contact Dr. Edmond Lemire by e-mail, at lemiree@sdh.sk.ca; by telephone, at (306) 655-1692; or by fax, at (306) 655-1736.

Medical Geneticist.—The Division of Medical Genetics at the Royal University Hospital and the University of Saskatchewan, in Saskatoon, SK, Canada, is a rapidly expanding genetics facility and invites applications to fill immediately the position of medical geneticist. The University of Saskatchewan is located near downtown in the city of Saskatoon, on the banks of the South Saskatchewan River. The city is a cultural center with year-round recreational facilities and is within 2 hours of many provincial and national parks, lakes, beaches, golf courses, and wilderness areas. The university annually welcomes >19,000 full- and part-time undergraduate and graduate students to what is reputed to be among the most picturesque campuses in North America. The Royal University Hospital is a 490-bed facility located adjacent to the University of Saskatchewan. The Division of Medical Genetics currently consists of one medical geneticist, two genetic counselors, one Ph.D. cytogeneticist, and support staff. It provides a wide range of inpatient and outpatient genetic services to the population of Saskatchewan. The successful applicant's responsibilities will include participation in clinical care, medical education, and research. Preferred applicants will possess an M.D. and will be certified or eligible for

certification in medical genetics. Individuals with certification through the CCMG and/or the ABMG may also be considered. Licensure by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan is necessary. Salary and rank will be commensurate with experience and qualifications. Interested individuals should submit a curriculum vitae, along with three letters of reference, to Dr. Edmond G. Lemire, Division of Medical Genetics, Royal University Hospital, 103 Hospital Drive, Saskatoon, SK, Canada S7N 0W8. For further information, please contact Dr. Edmond Lemire by e-mail, at lemiree@sdh.sk.ca; by telephone, at (306) 655-1692; or by fax, at (306) 655-1736.

Full-Time Genetic Counselor.—A full-time position in pediatric and general genetic counseling is available immediately at Albert Einstein Medical Center in Philadelphia. Candidate must be a board-eligible or board-certified genetic counselor with an interest in pediatrics and must be willing to assist three other genetic counselors in coverage of a dynamic genetics division with two geneticists in an urban community hospital. This position is great for an energetic, independent, self-starter personality. The position will include opportunities for writing grants to obtain additional funding for current and future projects. Responsibilities include all aspects of pediatric counseling, as well as teaching residents, genetic-counseling students, and medical students. Coverage of all aspects of the genetics program at Albert Einstein Medical Center will be necessary at times. Please send a curriculum vitae to Adele Schneider, M.D., Developmental Medicine and Genetics, Albert Einstein Medical Center, 5501 Old York Road, Philadelphia, PA 19141; telephone: (215) 456-8722; fax: (215) 456-2356; e-mail: schneida@aehn2.einstein.edu. Albert Einstein Medical Center is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

Faculty Position in Statistical/Computational Genetics.—The Department of Human Genetics at the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health is seeking candidates for a faculty position in statistical and/or computational genetics. The position is at the assistant or associate professor level and may be a tenure-track position, depending on the qualifications of the candidate. Areas of interest to the department and the university are genetic epidemiology, population genetics, quantitative traits, complex genetic disorders, and analyses of high-throughput genomic-expression data, such as that from "chips" and microarrays. Individuals with an interest in collaborations in molecular genetic studies (both family- and population-based approaches), as well as in statistical theory and development of methodology, are encouraged to apply. The department has considerable computing resources devoted to this division, as well as a close working relationship with other groups at the University of Pittsburgh, Carnegie Mellon University, and the Pittsburgh Supercomputer Center. There are opportunities for extensive collaborations within the University, as well as participation in the graduate program. The Division of Statistical Genetics currently has an NIH training grant for postdoctoral fellows. We welcome applications from individuals with novel computational and statistical backgrounds, regardless of their experience in traditional genetics. Applicants should send a curriculum vitae and the names of three references by April 1, 2001, to Dr. Daniel E. Weeks, Department of Human Genetics, University of Pittsburgh, A310 Crabtree Hall, 130 DeSoto Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15261; e-mail: weeks@pitt.edu. The University of Pittsburgh is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer.

Faculty Position.—The Division of Human Genetics and Molecular Biology of the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and the Department of Pediatrics of the University of Pennsylvania's School of Medicine are seeking to recruit an assistant professor of pediatrics, either for the nontenure clinician/educator track or for tenure track (to be determined by the qualifications of the candidate). This position is geared toward a physician scientist, who will have clinical and research responsibilities. The applicant should have an M.D. or an M.D./Ph.D. degree and should 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 curriculum vitae—including bibliography, statement of research interests, and the names and addresses of three references—to Beverly S. Emanuel, Ph.D., Chief, Division of Human Genetics and Molecular Biology, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Room 1002, Abramson Research Building, 3516 Civic Center Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19104.

Fellowship Opportunities

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 ninth fellowship award, an annual $50,000 grant from the Engelberg Foundation to the NSGC, will be awarded for 2001–2002 to one genetic counselor (or more than one genetic counselor who will share the award) for study, research, writing, or exploration of new interests to enhance present skills, develop new skills, contribute to the body of knowledge in the field of genetic counseling, or 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 2001. Applications are due May 1, 2001. A program application and guideline booklet will be mailed in January to all NSGC full members. For more information, contact Joan A. Scott, M.S., Chair, JEMF Board, c/o Gene Logic, Inc., 708 Quince Orchard Road, Gaithersburg, MD 20878; telephone: (240) 631-7477; fax: (301) 926-6125; e-mail: jscott@genelogic.com

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Postdoctoral Fellowship.—A postdoctoral fellowship in genetic epidemiology/statistical genetics is available in the Hypertension Section of the Department of Medicine at Boston University School of Medicine. The successful applicant will work closely with investigators of a Specialized Center of Research in Hypertension study to identify genes contributing to hypertension and blood pressure regulation. Resources include an existing database with clinical and family history information and DNA samples for a large collection of hypertensive sib pairs and extended pedigrees, collaboration with a laboratory with mass spectrometry and microarray facilities, and close ties with faculty in the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics in the School of Public Health. Candidates must either have a Ph.D. in statistical genetics, genetic epidemiology, biostatistics, animal breeding, or a related field or hold an M.D. with additional training or experience in the field of genetic epidemiology. Interested applicants should send a curriculum vitae to Haralambos Gavras, MD, FRCP, Hypertension and Atherosclerosis Section, W508, Boston University School of Medicine, 715 Albany Street, Boston, MA 02118; telephone: (617) 638-4025; fax: (617) 638-4027; e-mail: hgavras@bu.edu

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Call for Abstracts

National Society of Genetic Counselors (NSGC) 20th Annual Education Conference.—The NSGC's 20th Annual Education Conference will be held in Washington, DC, on November 4–7, 2001. Members are asked to submit abstracts for consideration as posters or platform presentations. The theme of this year's conference is "Current Advances: Anticipating Change." The conference will provide learning opportunities that address the recent and anticipated advances in genetics and prepare the genetic counseling profession for what has yet to be discovered. Although abstracts related to the conference theme are encouraged, any high-quality abstract of interest to genetic counselors is welcome. Students and nonmembers are encouraged to submit abstracts with sponsorship by a full member of the NSGC. Abstracts must be submitted electronically by 11:59 PM EST on Friday, June 15, 2001. Guidelines for abstract submission can be found on the NSGC Web site (http://www.NSGC.org). The Journal of Genetic Counseling strongly recommends submission of articles for publication based on presentations and posters. Members of the abstract committee are available to provide guidance to members and students who would like assistance in the development of presentations or posters. For questions regarding abstract submission and/or development, contact either Susan Estabrooks, M.S.—by telephone, at (919) 684-4996, or by e-mail, at sestabrooks@chg.mc.duke.edu—or Liz Melvin, M.S., by telephone, at (919) 684-4787, or by e-mail, at emelvin@chg.mc.duke.edu

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Call for Nominations

2001 ASHG Allan Award.—Established in 1961 in memory of William Allan (1881–1943), one of the first American physicians to conduct extensive research in human genetics, the Allan Award is presented annually to recognize outstanding contributions and continued productivity in the field of human genetics. Each year, the recipient of the award is decided upon by the Awards Committee, and a medal and $5,000 are presented at the ASHG Annual Meeting. The Awards Committee is now accepting nominations from the ASHG membership for this prestigious award. If you have someone you would like to nominate for the 2001 Allan Award, please write or send e-mail to Jane Salomon in the ASHG Ad-

ministrative Office no later than April 6, 2001. Include a paragraph or two on why you think this person would be a good candidate for the award. The most recent recipients of the Allan Award are as follows: Tribute to the Human Genome (2000); Stephen Warren (1999); Bert Vogelstein (1998); Phil Leder (1997); Robert Elston (1996); Kurt Hirschhorn (1995); and Douglas Wallace (1994). Please contact Jane Doran Salomon, MS, American Society of Human Genetics, 9650 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20814; telephone: (301) 571-1825; fax: (301) 530-7079; e-mail: jsalomon@genetics.faseb.org

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Conference

3rd International Conference on Homocysteine Metabolism.—The 3rd International Conference on Homocysteine Metabolism will take place July 1–5, 2001, in Sorrento, Italy. For details, see the conference Web site at www.conventionplanning.it/homocysteine. The deadline for submission of abstracts is February 24, 2001. Address correspondence to Prof. Generoso Andria, Chairman, Federico II University of Naples, Department of Pediatrics, at Convention Planning s.a.s., Via Fuorimura, 20, 80067 Sorrento (Na), Italy; telephone: +390818071981; fax: +390818073039; e-mail: homocysteinesorrento@conventionplanning.it

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Employment Sought

Cytogeneticist.—Board-certified general clinical cytogeneticist with Ph.D. and certificates of qualifications/licenses as a lab director in Florida, Georgia, and New York. Highly experienced in cancer and in prenatal and postnatal cytogenetics/molecular cytogenetics. Willing to move to anywhere in the United States or Canada. Available immediately. Please contact Navnit S. Mitter by e-mail (navnit@rain.org) or by phone/fax at (805) 523-3045.

Wellcome Trust 30th Advanced Course

Human Genome Analysis: Genetic Analysis of Multifactorial Diseases.—This intensive computer-based course for scientists actively involved in genetic analysis of multifactorial traits will be held July 25–31, 2001, at the Wellcome Trust Genome Campus, Hinxton, Cambridge, United Kingdom. The course has been organized by Daniel Weeks and Mark Lathrop. Topics to be covered include qualitative traits: sib-pair methods; qualitative traits: affected-relative methods; Markov chain Monte Carlo approaches; and linkage disequilibrium: testing for association. Teaching will take the form of lectures by invited speakers, informal tutorials, hands-on computer sessions, and analysis of data sets for families affected by a disease. There will also be an opportunity to analyze and discuss participants' own data sets. Applicants (postdoctoral or equivalent) should send a copy of their full curriculum vitae; 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, Advanced Courses Manager, Wellcome Trust Advanced Courses, The Wellcome Trust, 183 Euston Road, London NW1 2BE; fax: +44 (0) 20 7611 8688; e-mail: advancedcourses@wellcome.ac.uk. The course is subsidized by the Wellcome Trust, and no tuition fee is charged to scientists from academic research institutions anywhere in the world. The course is fully residential, and there is a charge of £475 toward accommodation costs. Further information is available at the Wellcome Trust Web site (http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/advancedcourses). Closing date for applications is April 16, 2001.

Post-Doctoral Training Program

Post-Doctoral Training Program in Statistical Genetics.—The Training Program in Statistical Genetics (http://watson.hgen.pitt.edu/T32/) at the University of Pittsburgh provides post-doctoral training at the interface of human genetics, statistics, and psychiatry, with support from the National Institute of Mental Health. We seek postdoctoral trainees who desire advanced training in statistical genetics and/or its application to complex phenotypes, such as those in psychiatry. We will consider applicants who have excellent backgrounds in either biology or statistics. The goal of our program is to train multidisciplinary statistical geneticists who can advance the methods for discovery of genes affecting complex traits. Training support typically will be for 2 years. United States citizens or permanent residents are eligible to apply. Applications should include a statement of research interests, experience, and training goals; three letters of recommendation from graduate faculty; and a synopsis (such as transcripts) of previous academic training. We currently have one position open, and another will be open in July 2001. Applications and requests for more information should be addressed to Daniel E. Weeks, Ph.D., Department of Human Genetics, University of Pittsburgh, A310 Crabtree Hall, 130 DeSoto

Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15261; telephone: (412) 624-5388; fax: (412) 624-3020; e-mail: weeks@pitt.edu

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Call for Subjects

Identical Twins Needed for Research Study.—Dr. David Kwiatkowski and colleagues are seeking identical twins with tuberous sclerosis (TSC) for a research study investigating the genetic basis of variability in clinical manifestations of TSC. Review of medical records, contact with treating physicians, and a blood sample for analysis for mutations in the TSC genes will be required. For more information, or if you are willing to participate, please contact Dr. David Kwiatkowski, Genetics Laboratory, Hematology Division, Brigham & Women's Hospital–Harvard Medical School; 221 Longwood Avenue, Boston, MA 02115; telephone: (617) 278-0384; fax: (617) 734-2248; e-mail: dk@rics.bwh.harvard.edu