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Employment Opportunities

Research Scientist.—Applications are invited for a research scientist to assist with analysis of genetic data on Parkinson disease, aging, and Alzheimer disease. The position is affiliated with the Wadsworth Center (http://www.wadsworth.org) and the State University of New York at Albany, which have state-of-the-art genomics facilities and a bioinformatics center. The minimum requirements are either (1) a bachelor's degree and 2 years of professional research experience in the field of bioinformatics or biostatistics or (2) a master's degree and 1 year of professional research experience in the field of bioinformatics or biostatistics. Research experience involving analysis of genetic data, bioinformatics, and statistical genetics software is preferred. Send a resumé and three letters of reference to Health Research, Inc., One University Place, Rensselaer, NY 12144.

Research Associate.—A position for a research associate is available in the Human Medical Genetics Program at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, in Denver, CO. The primary focus of the research will be on genotyping, mutation analysis, and genetic linkage and association studies of human genetic disorders, particularly cleft lip and palate. This position requires a Ph.D. in a relevant field of the life sciences. Postdoctoral experience in molecular biological research on human genetic diseases is preferred. Duties will include preparation of reports and contributions to scholarly publications. Demonstrated expertise in statistical analysis of genetic data is required. Salary will be $38,700–$42,700 per year, plus benefits. Applicants should send a curriculum vitae, relevant publications, and the names and addresses of three references, by January 15, 2002, to Richard A. Spritz, M.D., Human Medical Genetics Program, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, 4200 E. Ninth Avenue, B161, Denver, CO 80262. The University of Colorado is committed to diversity and equality in education and employment.

Fellowship and Residency Positions in Clinical Genetics.—The Childrens Hospital of Philadelphia, a leader in academic and clinical pediatric training, currently has fellowship and residency positions available in the field of clinical genetics. Successful applicants will have an M.D. degree or the equivalent and will be United States Medical Licensing Examination certified. Applicants to the fellowship program will have completed residency training in an accredited training program. Applicants to the genetics residency program will have completed 2 years in an accredited residency training program. The training program at The Childrens Hospital of Philadelphia includes both inpatient and outpatient care in areas of pediatric dysmorphology, metabolism, prenatal medicine, cytogenetics, cancer genetics, and adult genetic disorders. A comprehensive research-based experience is also provided. The fellowship program encompasses 3 years of training, whereas the residency program includes 2 years of training in an approved residency program coupled with 2–3 years in the clinical genetics training program. Interested candidates should send their curriculum vitae and three letters of recommendation to Haig Kazazian, M.D., c/o Regina Harvey, The Childrens Hospital of Philadelphia, Room 1002, Abramson Research Center, 34th and Civic Center Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19104.

Associate Research Scientist.—The Columbia Genome Center is seeking a qualified individual for a position as an associate research scientist. Applicants must have (1) a Ph.D. in statistical genetics and extensive experience

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in algorithm and software design or (2) an equivalent degree in computer science. Applicants are also 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, he or she will be heading the bioinformatics team in the discovery of the methylation landscape of the human genome. Please forward resumes to Katie Soares, Columbia Genome Center, 1150 St. Nicholas Avenue, Russ Berrie Pavilion, Room 507, New York, NY 10032; fax: (212) 851-5176. Columbia University is an equal opportunity employer.

Booklet Available

Molecular Testing for the Marfan Syndrome.—Now available from the National Marfan Foundation (NMF) is Molecular Testing for the Marfan Syndrome, a 14-page booklet that provides geneticists, genetic counselors, and genetic laboratories with up-to-date information about the current status of genetic testing for the Marfan syndrome. The booklet also offers affected people—and those seeking a diagnosis for the Marfan syndrome—some background for a discussion with their medical geneticist or genetic counselor. For a free copy of Molecular Testing for the Marfan Syndrome or for additional information, contact the NMF by telephone, at (800) 8-MARFAN, or by e-mail, at staff@marfan.org, or visit the NMFs Web site (http://www.marfan.org).

Call for Patients

Patients Needed for Study on Genetic Causes of Aneurysms.—Patients with aneurysms and their affected relatives are encouraged to enroll in a study funded by the National Institutes of Health. Female and minority patients are particularly encouraged to apply. Researchers at the Center for Molecular Medicine and Genetics at Wayne State University School of Medicine, in Detroit, MI, are searching for the gene(s) contributing to risk for aneurysms (for a recent publication from this group, see http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2350/3/7). Participants will be requested to give a blood sample, fill out a family-history questionnaire, and send copies of medical records indicating the location and size of the aneurysm and how it was detected. More information can be obtained from our Web site (http://www.genetics.wayne.edu/ags/), from the principal investigators Dr. Helena Kuivaniemi (telephone: [313] 577-8733; e-mail: kuivan@sanger.med.wayne.edu) and Dr. Gerard Tromp (telephone: [313] 577-8773; e-mail: tromp@sanger.med.wayne.edu), or by writing to us at Center for Molecular Medicine and Genetics, Wayne State University School of Medicine, Room 3106, Scott Hall, 540 East Canfield Avenue, Detroit, MI 48201.