

Announcements¹

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Chairperson, Department of Human Genetics.—The David Geffen School of Medicine at the University of California, Los Angeles, is searching for a chairperson for its Department of Human Genetics. The Chair will be responsible for leading a growing department in human genetics in the postgenome era, with strong basic science, translational genomics, and medical genetics components. Under the direction of its founding Chair, Prof. Leena Peltonen, the department grew to consist of a strong combination of molecular and computational geneticists, who work closely with the many basic and clinical geneticists within the UCLA campus and its affiliated hospitals. The department has extensive connections to and collaborations with a wide variety of colleagues in all areas of genetics and allied disciplines, in the College of Letters and Science, other departments in the School of Medicine, and other professional schools on campus. The new Chair is expected to facilitate human genetics research activities among department faculty, as well as these interdepartmental and intercampus collaborative efforts. The Chair will also be responsible for coordinating human genetics teaching, both at the graduate level and in the Medical School curriculum. Interested applicants must have a Ph.D. and/or an M.D. degree, a record of research excellence, broad scientific views, and leadership abilities and should qualify for a professorial appointment at a senior level. Send a current curriculum vitae to David L. Rimoïn, M.D., Ph.D., Chair, Human Genetics Search Committee, c/o Lia Ramer Bygrave, David Geffen School of Medicine at

UCLA, 10833 Le Conte Avenue, 12-138 CHS, Los Angeles, CA 90095-1722.

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Statistical Genetics.—The Department of Anesthesiology and the Institute for Genome Science & Policy at Duke University are recruiting for an experienced statistical geneticist to lead a statistics group as part of an initiative in genome sciences. This research-track faculty leadership position is designed to promote clinical and translational research of the highest caliber, with emphasis on genomics research. The successful candidate will collaborate in design, data collection, analysis, and manuscript submission; will develop and apply methods to handle complex genetic study designs; and will maintain close ties with statistical geneticists and biostatisticians in the Center for Human Genetics and the Duke Clinical Research Institute. Applicants should hold a Ph.D. in biostatistics, statistics, or statistical genetics, optimally with 5 years of experience in health sciences research and strong communication and supervisory skills. Send cover letter and resume to the Duke Perioperative Genomics Search Committee, Joseph Mathew, M.D., Box 3094, DUMC, Durham, NC 27710.

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Director, Cytogenetics Laboratory.—The Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine at the University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ)—Robert Wood Johnson Medical School invite applications for the position of director of the cytogenetics laboratory. The candidate must have an M.D. and/or a Ph.D. and must be board certified, with significant experience in the management of a high-volume cytogenetics laboratory. The individual will act to establish a full-service clinical cytogenetics laboratory at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, with a focus on the diagnosis and follow-up of chromosomal changes in malignancy and the development of perinatal services. Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital (RWJUH) is the rapidly growing primary university hospital of Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, with ~500 beds. Responsibilities will include evaluation, development, and imple-

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mentation of diagnostic testing based on current and emerging technologies, to support the departments clinical and educational responsibilities. The laboratory will be the primary provider of cytogenetics services to the Cancer Institute of New Jersey, a National Cancer Institute-designated comprehensive cancer center, and the perinatal center at RWJUH. Development of an independent or collaborative research program is encouraged. Academic appointment will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. The successful candidate will be expected to participate in service to the hospital and the teaching activities of the medical school. Please submit an updated curriculum vitae and the names of three references to Peter S. Amenta, M.D., Ph.D., Professor and Chair, Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine, UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, One Robert Wood Johnson Place—MEB 212, New Brunswick, NJ 08903-0019. UMDNJ is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer, M/F/D/V, and a member of the University Health System of New Jersey. Visit our Web site (<http://www.umdnj.edu/homepage/index.html>).

Assistant Professor of Human Genetics and Codirector of Genetic Counseling Program.—The Department of Human Genetics in the Graduate School of Public Health of the University of Pittsburgh invites applications for the position of assistant professor in the non-tenure stream and codirector of the genetic counseling program. The position is a full-time (100%) faculty position with full benefits. The successful candidate must have clinical and teaching experience. The Department of Human Genetics in the Graduate School of Public Health (<http://www.hgen.pitt.edu>) has a large and diverse academic faculty and offers the opportunity to develop a research agenda in public health genetics, to perform qualitative research regarding genetic testing decisions and counseling, and to create a bridge to genomic medicine. Academic appointment will be at the Graduate School of Public Health of the University of Pittsburgh. Candidate must be certified as a genetic counselor by the American Board of Genetic Counseling. A doctoral degree in human genetics or an allied specialty is required. Experience with genetic counselor education and training is preferred. Outstanding candidates should submit a curriculum vitae, a statement of research/clinical experience, and the names of three individuals who could provide letters of reference to Dr. Robert Ferrell, Chair, Department of Human Genetics, Graduate School of Public Health, A-300 Crabtree, 130 DeSoto Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15261. Applications should be received no later than July 1, 2003. The University of Pittsburgh is an equal employment opportunity/affirmative action

employer. Women and minority candidates are encouraged to apply.

Research Associate Positions in Genomics and Genetics of Human Parturition.—The Perinatology Research Branch of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), housed at Wayne State University, is seeking applicants for research associate positions, to participate in an ongoing basic-science research program in reproductive biology with a high clinical impact. The Branch conducts clinical and basic-science investigation on pregnancy and its complications. The main areas of interest are premature labor, preeclampsia, and fetal growth disorders. We are seeking talented, enthusiastic, and driven scientists to participate in the design, execution, and reporting of studies that use functional genomics (microarray, quantitative PCR, and protein expression) and genetic approaches for deciphering the nature of complex disease during pregnancy. Applicants should have an outstanding track record with a Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D. and at least 1 year of postdoctoral work, in human genetics or another discipline, that provided experience in functional genomics or genetic association studies. Excellent communication skills and proven ability to work as part of a dynamic team are essential. Applicants should submit a complete curriculum vitae, including a list of publications; a brief summary of research interests and experience; and the names of and contact information for three references to MSK/MTV/Attn.: Dr. Helena Kuivaniemi, Perinatology Research Branch, Hutzel Hospital—5th Floor West, 4707 St. Antoine, Detroit, MI 48201; fax: (313) 993-2694; e-mail: mvalade@med.wayne.edu

Human Biochemical Geneticist (Research and Clinical).—The growing Section of Genetics, in the Department of Pediatrics, and the Human Genetics Program on the 275-acre campus of the University of Oklahoma Health Science Center are seeking an assistant or associate professor (non-tenure track). The goal is to establish an independent, nationally funded research focus; to lead a clinical biochemical genetics service, in part to accommodate expansion of the state newborn-screening program; and to help with genetics residence and counseling training programs. Board certification or board eligibility in biochemical genetics is expected. Space, start-up funds, and clinical support are available. Electronically submit a letter of interest, a curriculum vitae, and the names of three references to John J. Mulvihill, M.D., OU Medical Center, Room B2418, 940 NE 13th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73104; e-mail: John-

Mulvihill@ouhsc.edu. The University of Oklahoma is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

FELLOWSHIPS

Fellowships in Clinical Molecular Genetics.—Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) offers a 2-year fellowship in clinical molecular genetics accredited by the Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education, resulting in eligibility for clinical molecular genetic certification by the American Board of Medical Genetics. The fellowship program provides on-site clinical laboratory training in the OHSU DNA Diagnostic Laboratory; the development of a clinical molecular research project; involvement with departmental training activi-

ties, including a formal curriculum of coursework; and participation in genetics conferences, seminars, and clinics. The OHSU DNA laboratory offers state-of-the-art technologies for clinical molecular analysis, including denaturing high-performance liquid chromatography (DHPLC) and sequencing, and a strong clinical interface. OHSU offers a strong basic science and clinical environment, for enrichment of the molecular genetics training program, and a beautiful setting in the enchanting Portland community. For more information, please check our Web site (<http://www.ohsu.edu/som-genetics/residency/genres.htm>) or contact the OHSU Medical Genetics Training Program: Leslie Lublink, Program Coordinator, 3181 SW Sam Jackson Park Road, MP 350, Portland, OR 97239-3098; telephone: (503) 494-2795; e-mail: lublinkl@ohsu.edu; or Robb Moses, M.D., Program Director; telephone: (503) 494-6881; e-mail: mosesr@ohsu.edu. Applications are now being accepted.