

NIH Intramural Research Program is Recruiting "Earl Stadtman Investigators"

The National Institutes of Health, the nation's premier agency for biomedical and behavioral research, is pleased to announce a new call for top-tier tenure-track candidates to become "NIH Earl Stadtman Investigators." We have multiple positions to offer.

We are looking for creative and independent thinkers eager to take on high-risk, high-impact research. Regardless of your expertise — in the field or in the lab (wet or dry), within a discipline well established or on the frontiers of science — please consider the NIH for your career development. Areas of active recruitment include sensory biology and the neurosciences, symptoms research, systems biology, stem cells, infectious diseases and bioinformatics.

Who we are: Among our approximately 1,200 principal investigators and 4,000 trainees actively engaged in research are world-renowned experts in immunology, cancer, rare diseases, genetics, translational research, imaging, vaccine development, health disparities, systems biology, sensory biology, structural biology, computational biology, neurosciences, and development, to name but a few scientific areas. Our strength is our diversity in pursuit of a common goal, to alleviate human suffering.

The intramural program includes the NIH Clinical Center, the world's largest hospital entirely devoted to biomedical research, as well as the National Library of Medicine and PubMed, the Vaccine Research Center, and the International Centers for Excellence in Research working in the field in sub-Sahara Africa, South America and Asia. We constitute the world's largest training facility for the biomedical and behavioral sciences. Our researchers include numerous members of the National Academy of Sciences and the Institute of Medicine, Searle Scholars, winners of the Lasker Award, Nobel Prize, the National Medal of Science and the Presidential Early Career Awards, and recipients of many other high honors. Among us are the editors of top journals, the writers of some of the most highly cited papers in the biomedical sciences, and generators of licenses and patents yielding nearly \$100 million in annual royalties. We are on the cutting edge of new discoveries and their application to the clinic. We perform work in labs, in clinics, out in the field, and on nearly every continent; and every day we advance the state of science to improve the quality of life.

What we seek: To maintain our position at the cutting edge, we seek the continued infusion of a diverse and creative staff. The Earl Stadtman Investigator recruitment is an opportunity to explore the limits of your productivity and your independence from preconceived research objectives. Please share with us your ideas for a novel research program and career aspirations and how they contribute to the NIH mission.

Qualifications/eligibility: Candidates must have an M.D., Ph.D., D.D.S./D.M.D., D.V.M, D.O., R.N./ Ph.D., or equivalent doctoral degree and have an outstanding record of research accomplishments as evidenced by publications in major peer-reviewed journals. Preference will be given to applicants who are in the early stages of their research careers; only non-tenured applicants will be considered. Candidates in any area of biomedical, translational and behavioral research are invited to apply. Appointees may be U.S. citizens, resident aliens or non-resident aliens with, or eligible to obtain, a valid employment-authorization visa.

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Salary: Successful candidates are offered competitive salaries commensurate with experience and qualifications, and they are assigned ample research space, supported positions and an operating budget. Our scientists focus entirely on their research with ample opportunities to mentor and train outstanding fellows at all levels.

How to apply: Complete applications must be received by October 1, 2010. Interested applicants must submit a curriculum vitae, a three-page research plan, a one-page description of their vision for their future research and its potential impact, and contact information for three professional references through our online application system at http://tenuretrack.nih.gov/apply. Letters of recommendation will be requested automatically when you submit your application. No paper applications will be accepted.

What to expect: Search committees of subject-matter experts will review and evaluate applicants based on the following criteria: publication record, potential scientific impact of current and proposed research, scientific vision, demonstrated independence, and awards. The committees will identify the most highly qualified candidates to invite to the NIH for a lecture open to the NIH scientific staff in December 2010 and for interviews with the search committees. Top candidates then will be nominated as finalists for Earl Stadtman tenure-track positions.

The Scientific Directors, who lead our 23 intramural programs, and the search committee chairs will work together to identify the finalists to be recruited as Earl Stadtman Investigators. Candidates not selected as Stadtman finalists can be considered for other open NIH research positions. The entire process from application review to job offer may take several months, depending on the volume of applications.

The inspiring story of Earl and Thressa Stadtman's research is at http://history.nih.gov/exhibits/stadtman. More information about the NIH Intramural Research Program is at http://intramural.nih.gov/search and http://sourcebook.od.nih.gov/sci-prgms/sci-prgms-toc.htm. Specific questions regarding this recruitment effort may be directed to Dr. Roland Owens, Assistant Director, NIH Office of Intramural Research at owensrol@mail.nih.gov.

The NIH Intramural Research Program, with its extensive infrastructure and critical mass of expertise well established, has a crucial role in both maintaining America's research excellence and advancing treatments and cures. Come join the team whose hallmarks are stable funding, intellectual freedom, shared resources and broad expertise.

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