Research Assistant/Associate

Job Description:
A research assistant/associate position is immediately available in the laboratory of Dr. Jia Liu at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (https://mbim.uams.edu/faculty/primary-faculty/jia-liu-ph-d/). We are a world-class poxvirology lab studying how virus-host interactions impact immune responses. We are seeking a scientist with background in cell biology, immunology, or virology. We are looking for a team player that has excellent organization and time management skills. Experience in molecular biology and cell biology (e.g., mammalian cell culture, cloning, PCR, and Western blot, etc) is required; other desirable experience includes being proficient with fluorescent microscope, proteomics, flow cytometry, and at handling rabbits, rats or mice.

Qualifications and desired skills
More than 3 years relevant experience for B.S., with a M.S. degree and relevant experience, or Ph.D. in related field is required. Salary is negotiable based on education and research experience. Successful candidates should be highly organized in task and time management, able to learn new techniques, pay attention to detail, and be familiar with software such as Photoshop and Word/Excel. A successful applicant has good communication skills to help with student training, and to work with offices of procurement, biosafety, and IACUC for routine lab operation. The applicant must also be able to conduct and trouble-shoot experiments using scientific approaches. Ten percent of effort will be to manage the lab including ordering, equipment maintenance, and organizing inventory.

To apply, please email 1) a cover letter briefly summarizing your research interests and career goals, 2) your CV, and 3) a list of 3 references, as PDF or word documents to: jliu4@uams.edu

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