Postdoctoral Positions at Cincinnati Children’s

**Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center** (CCHMC) is a premier pediatric research institution with over 900 diverse and productive faculty members. Here, researchers work collaboratively across specialties and divisions to address some of the biggest challenges we face today in improving child health. A strong network of research support services and facilities, along with institutional commitment to research, push our team of faculty, postdocs and support staff to explore the boundaries of what is possible, leading to significant breakthroughs. We are driven by our mission to improve child health and transform the delivery of care through fully integrated, globally recognized research, education and innovation.

Post-doctoral research fellows at Cincinnati Children’s are valued for their unique interests and strengths, and are supported by our institution’s strong programming for post-docs through the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs and the Office of Academic Affairs and Career Development. Mentoring, support for international students and an emphasis on crafting high-quality grant proposals are only a few of the features that set our program apart. Cincinnati Children’s is a respected part of the broader, and very vibrant, Cincinnati community. With a thriving arts scene, numerous festivals celebrating music and food, a passionate fan following for our college and professional sports teams, and a variety of opportunities for outdoor activities, our region is truly a great place to work and live.

Please visit our [website](http://www.cchmc.org) for more information about Postdoctoral Research at CCHMC and a monthly-updated listing of postdoctoral fellowship opportunities.

Please review our current openings described in the subsequent pages (the links on the left will take you to the sections of interest).

Please submit a cover letter, CV, summary of research interests, and contact information for 3 references to the email address at the end of the position for which you would like to be considered.

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The Division of Biomedical Informatics invites candidates to join their new digital health initiative: the Design, Analytics, Integration (dAln) program. The candidates will work closely with clinical investigators across the CCHMC and the University of Cincinnati to co-develop computational and technology solutions for improving the lives of children and adults. Candidates will be supervised by the program’s faculty advisor and Scientific Director. He/she will collaborate with other research staff, application developers, and IT technicians within a dynamic, fast paced research environment. Candidates should expect to conduct multiple machine learning and NLP-focused projects and contribute to decision tools, applied patient safety and health care quality improvement efforts. Example projects can be found at https://www.cincinnatichildren.org/bio/n/yizhao-ni.

Qualified candidates for the position have earned a PhD in biomedical informatics, computer science, artificial intelligence, computational linguistics or a closely related field. Research/work experience with Machine Learning and/or Deep Learning is a requirement, and stochastic Natural Language Processing (NLP) is preferred. The successful candidate will have excellent command of both written and oral English, strong programming skills, and familiarity with Linux + (Java or Python) + (R or Matlab) for programming. Experience of parallel computing (e.g., with GPU) and familiarity with clinical NLP are preferred. Candidates with first author peer reviewed journal publications are preferred.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 103821. The Salomonis laboratory in the Division of Biomedical Informatics studies the interplay between alternative splicing, genetics and tumor biology through the application and development of innovative computational tools in conjunction with high-throughput genomics sequencing datasets. The Salomonis lab welcomes applications for a postdoctoral Research Fellow who will apply, improve and augment newly developed open-source bioinformatics workflows (AltAnalyze/OncoSplice) integrating data across multiple omics modalities (RNA, DNA, epigenome, protein) in conjunction with clinical data from the TCGA, TARGET and emerging cancer genomics resources. Importantly, the applicant is expected to identify novel mechanistic relationships within and between distinct cancer subtypes to be experimentally tested with diverse research collaborators (https://www.cincinnatichildren.org/research/divisions/b/bmi/labs/salomonis). Candidates must have a doctoral degree in biomedical informatics, bioinformatics, computational biology, computer science, biostatistics or a related field. Prior experience with next generation sequencing data and R/python programming is necessary. The ideal candidate will have an excellent understanding of cell and cancer biology, computational genomics, high throughput sequencing technologies, biostatistics, programming and a proven track record of success. Excellent written, verbal and communications skills are crucial. Original and out-of-the box thinking is welcomed.

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Research Associate Job Number: 102877. A Computational Research Associate position is immediately available in the Weirauch Lab. The Weirauch lab studies the mechanisms of gene transcriptional regulation, and the impact of disease-associated genetic variation on these mechanisms using computational and experimental methods. We are looking for an extremely talented and highly motivated computational researcher (Bioinformatics, Computer Science, etc.) to work on multiple cutting-edge research projects. You will work in a highly collaborative environment at the interface of genetics, immunology, computer science, and immune-mediated disease research. We are currently focused on autoimmune diseases (including but not limited to Systemic Lupus Erythematosus and Multiple Sclerosis; https://www.cincinnatichildren.org/research/divisions/a/genomics-etiology/labs/weirauch). Experience in analysis of high throughput sequencing data (ChIP-Seq, DNase-Seq, and/or ATAC-Seq) is necessary. Critical thinking, the ability to multi-task, and expertise in the use of Linux are required. Strong biological knowledge (especially gene regulation) is preferred but not required.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 101434. The Center for Chronobiology in the Division of Human Genetics at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center is seeking a post-doctoral candidate to fill a computational biology/bioinformatics role in the lab of Dr. John Hogenesch, PhD (hogeneschlab.org). We are looking for candidates with a background in sequence analysis, network or systems biology, machine learning, multidimensional data analysis, and/or genome-wide circadian rhythms analysis. Expertise in sequence analysis is required. Experience in circadian biology is preferred, but not required. Successful candidates should have a Ph.D in a related field and a demonstrated track record of productivity.

Contact: John Hogenesch, PhD

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Research Fellow Job Number: 98997. The Mersha Lab has an opening for a Research Fellow who will be involved in a combined computational and applied genetics project, focused on the development and implementation of ancestry (admixture) based detection and characterization of genetic and environmental exposure risk factors in asthma. The goal is to develop and implement statistical methods to analyze high-throughput sequence and array data and maintain large datasets linked to clinical data. The ideal candidate will have a doctorate degree in bioinformatics, computer science, computational biology, genomics, statistical genetics, or a related field, experience in population genetics analysis of admixed population or data simulation and imputation, programming skills in R, Perl, Python, Java, C++, and Unix shell scripting, a track record of analyzing sequence data, along with a strong work ethic, excellent written and oral communication skills, and demonstrated teamwork and multitasking skills. Experience with clinical cohorts is a plus.

Contact: Tesfaye Mersha, PhD

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Research Fellow Job Number: 97786. Dr. Theresa Alenghat's laboratory has an opening for a highly motivated postdoctoral research fellow with computational training and an interest in epigenetics and host-microbe interactions (http://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/research/divisions/i/immunobiology/labs/alenghat/default/). We explore molecular pathways that regulate how intestinal microbiota impact immune and metabolic homeostasis, infection, and inflammatory bowel disease. Candidates with publications reflecting expertise in epigenetics and bioinformatics analyses are encouraged to apply.

Contact: Theresa Alenghat, PhD  Email Address: Theresa.Alenghat@cchmc.org

Research Fellow Job Number: 96081. The division of Asthma Research is seeking a Research Fellow who will be involved in the analysis of cutting-edge high-throughput omics (genomics, transcriptomics, epigenomics, and microbiome) and clinical data generated from allergic disease patients. Key Functions: Integration omics results including genome, transcriptome, microbiome, and epigenome results with clinical and environmental exposure datasets; Participate in development and testing statistical methods for omics and clinical datasets. We are looking for a candidate with PhD in bioinformatics, computational biology or statistical genetics. A strong background in genomics, computational biology, and/or statistics as well as experience in high-throughput integrative analyses of different types of NGS data, extensive scripting and programming knowledge, data visualization is required. The ideal candidate will have: an interdisciplinary background in bioinformatics and computational biology and genomics; advanced expertise in the analysis and interpretation of microbiome data and its integration with other "omics" data sources, including genetic variants, gene expression and epigenetics; good programming skills; and advanced knowledge of statistical and machine learning methods.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 89284. The division of Biostatistics and Epidemiology has a Pulmonary Biostatistics Core lead by Dr. Hossain that involves biostatistics faculty and staff to provide support on all aspects of statistical needs from sample size calculation to proposing innovative methods for analyzing complex datasets. The Division of Pulmonary Medicine has a strong pediatric research infrastructure focusing on sleep-disordered breathing, narcolepsy, clinical research in asthma, basic and translational research in cystic fibrosis, as well as lung remodeling and fibrosis, outcomes research and imaging research. The research fellow will work on projects related to the research interests of Division of Pulmonary Medicine under the supervision of Dr. Hossain. The ideal candidate will hold a PhD in statistics/biostatistics and be highly motivated in pursuing methodologic work, with strong computational skills. Experience in mixed models, functional data analysis, Bayesian hierarchical modeling, spatially correlated data, and/or imaging data analysis preferred.

Contact: Michael Bennett, PhD (on behalf of Md Monir Hossain, PhD)  Email Address: research@cchmc.org

Research Fellow Job Number: TBD. The Roskin Lab combines computational and molecular biology methods to understand the adaptive immune system (https://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/research/divisions/b/bmi/labs/roskin). Using modern sequencing technology, we study changes in the immune receptor repertoire and link those changes to immunogen exposure or autoimmunity/immunodeficiency status. We are looking for a postdoctoral researcher experienced in bioinformatics interested in applying their skills to process and analyze large scale immunological data sets. The ideal candidate will have a recent PhD & a strong publication track record. Experience with processing and analysis of large-scale data sets with modern "big data" methods preferred.

Contact: Krishna Roskin, PhD  Email Address: Krishna.Roskin@cchmc.org

Research Associate Job Number 106348. Dr. Punam Malik's lab has an immediate opening for a Research Associate in the Hematology and Gene Therapy Program. We are looking for successful post-doctoral fellows with a strong publication record in the field of molecular and cellular biology. Prior experience in gene therapy is desirable. The project will utilize cellular, molecular, and biochemical techniques with an emphasis on sickle cell disease, as well as new approaches for gene therapy such as gene editing in hemoglobinopathies. This position is available for a two year period and successful applicant will be mentored in developing independent research projects and grantsmanship to help them develop an independent academic career after this period and be competitive for K awards.

Contact: Punam Malik, MD  Email Address: Punam.Malik@cchmc.org

Research Fellow Job Number: 104228. Dr. Susanne Wells’ laboratory (https://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/research/divisions/o/oncology/labs/wells) has an opening for a Research Fellow to use murine and induced pluripotent stem cell models for studies of cancer biology and metabolism. The ideal candidate will be a recent PhD graduate with a strong publication record, excellent communication skills and experience with cell biology, basic biochemistry and molecular biology techniques. Experience with animal models preferred.

Contact: Susanne Wells, PhD  Email Address: Susanne.Wells@cchmc.org

Research Fellow Job Number: 103792. Dr. Soona Shin’s laboratory in the division of Pediatric Surgery (https://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/research/divisions/o/thoracic-surgery/labs/shin) aims to decipher the molecular basis underlying liver cancer, with a focus on pediatric hepatocellular carcinoma and hepatoblastoma. A postdoctoral Research Fellow position is available to develop and characterize mouse models of liver cancer and patient-derived xenografts. A doctoral degree or equivalent (Ph.D. or M.D.) in biology or related field, along with a strong interest in liver cancer research is required. Experience with mouse models, cell culture, and viral vector-mediated gene expression is preferred.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 102057. A position is available to study the role of Rho family GTPases and mTOR signaling in hematopoiesis and cancer, particularly in hematopoietic stem cells and cancer stem cells, in Dr. Yi Zheng’s laboratory. The laboratory employs mouse gene targeting models and current molecular, cellular, and embryological techniques to elucidate the signaling pathways regulated by Rho GTPases and mTOR (see: http://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/research/divisions/e/ex-hem/labs/zheng/default/). A PhD in Molecular or Developmental Biology, Cell Biology, Biochemistry, or a related field, is required. Experience studying mouse models, hematopoiesis and/or various stem cell regulations are desirable.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 99452. Dr. Biplab Dasgupta's laboratory is looking for a highly motivated, self-driven and ambitious postdoctoral researcher to start this winter at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center. Using genetically engineered mouse models and human tissue, the Dasgupta lab has been engaged in cutting-edge research to understand neural stem cell metabolism, genetic and metabolic uniqueness of glioblastoma (a type of brain tumor) subtypes, energy and nutrient sensing signaling pathways in cancer versus normal cellular counterparts and the built-in metabolic vulnerabilities of human cancer cells. We are also deeply interested to understand the mechanisms by which non-genetic factors regulate the incidence and penetrance of human cancer. We have published our work in highly visible journals including Nature Cell Biology, Nature Communications, PNAS, Cancer Cell, Neuro-Oncology, Trends in Pharmacol Sci, and Cancer Research (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/?term=dasgupta%2C+biplab).

Requirements: The ideal candidate could be finishing up graduate studies or have completed graduate studies with no more than one year of post-PhD research experience. Experience in molecular biology including in-depth understanding of molecular cloning, DNA, RNA and protein work and extensive cell culture is required. Some experience in mouse genetics is preferable. Background in cancer biochemistry, metabolism, signaling and genetics will be considered favorably and interest in the above fields is necessary.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 101446. A postdoctoral Research Fellow position is open in the Brain Tumor Center for individuals with an interest in glial cell biology, brain cancers, and neurodegenerative diseases. Research areas include brain development and tumorigenesis, demyelinating diseases such as multiple sclerosis, and functional regeneration (http://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/bio/l/qing-richard-lu/). Recent PhD or MD graduates with a strong background in one or more of the following areas: molecular & cell biology, neurobiology, cancer biology, or computational biology are encouraged to apply.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 92953. A Postdoctoral position is now available in the laboratory of Dr. Damien Reynaud. Our lab studies hematopoiesis in various patho-physiological contexts (https://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/bio/r/damien-reynaud). We are particularly interested in understanding how metabolic dysregulations impact on hematopoietic stem cell function and how they could contribute to hematological disorders. We are looking for a highly motivated and enthusiastic individual to develop our thematic. Applicants with experience in mouse model, FACS, cell imaging and cell culture are encouraged to apply. Candidates with a recent PhD and a background in hematology and immunology are preferred.

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Cardiovascular Research

Research Fellow Job Number: 103926. A Research Fellow position is available immediately in Cardiothoracic Surgery to support divisional research initiatives. The research focuses on using a variety of animal model systems to study targeting non-contact activation of the coagulation pathway as novel anticoagulation strategies for cardiopulmonary bypass and ventricular assist devices. Fellow will be assigned several primary projects under the mentorship of Dr. James Tweddell and Dr. Joseph Palumbo. Specific duties will include but are not limited to helping conduct basic science experiments, collecting and organizing data, ensuring the health and wellbeing of study animals, grant writing, publication and presentation of work. The ideal candidate will be a recent PhD with a background in hematology and coagulation. Candidates must be MD or PhD, preferably with 1-2 years of animal surgical training that will help in the animal studies (in mouse, rat, rabbit, pigs and sheep).

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Research Fellow Job Number: TBD. Dr. Molkentin’s laboratory studies the molecular mechanisms of heart and skeletal muscle disease (http://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/research/divisions/m/mcb/labs/molkentin/default/). Major focus areas include mitochondrial-dependent mechanisms of non-apoptotic death (such as cellular necrosis), signal transduction in cardiac and skeletal muscle hypertrophy, transcriptional regulation of cardiac development, and molecular mechanisms that underlie skeletal muscle degeneration in muscular dystrophy (MD). Dr Molkentin is an HHMI investigator. Outstanding new PhD graduates with prior experience in mouse genetics & cardiomyopathy research and the desire to be competitive at the highest level are invited to apply.

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Development, Genetics, Reproduction, Physiology, and Disease

Research Fellow Job Number: 106788. The laboratory of Dr. Debora Sinner is seeking to recruit a highly motivated postdoctoral fellow to perform research on the molecular and cellular basis of the large airway formation. The goal is to understand the mechanisms that drive the normal and pathological differentiation and function of distinct cell types of the trachea and bronchi by using mouse genetics, genomics approaches, functional in vivo and in vitro studies and microscopy. We also have the unique opportunity to validate experimental findings in patient tissue samples. The ideal candidate will have proficiency in English, at least one first author publication in a reputable international journal from their Ph.D. work, and be collegial, highly motivated, and independent. Candidates with
Research Fellow Job Number: 100003. A full time postdoctoral position is available in the laboratory of Prof. Richard Lang at the Visual Systems Group and Center for Chronobiology, Cincinnati Children’s Hospital, United States. We are seeking highly motivated applicants to investigate light receptors, circadian biology and nervous system development. The ideal candidate is expected to work both independently and as part of an interactive team. The Lang lab is currently working to understand how the atypical opsins OPN4 (melanopsin), OPN5 (neuropsin) and OPN3 (encephalopsin) regulate development and homeostasis. In recent examples of our work, we have shown that both melanopsin (Rao et al., Nature, 494:243-6) and neuropsin (Nguyen et al., Nature Cell Biology, 2019, In Press) provide timing cues for vascular development in the eye. In preliminary investigations, we are assessing the role of atypical opsins in, (1) circadian clock entrainment, (2) metabolic homeostasis, (3) tissue regeneration, and (4) nervous system development. These projects are unusual because preliminary evidence suggests that they may require extraocular photoreception. This a newly emerging area of investigation that promises to yield extremely interesting findings. The ideal candidates will have a PhD in genetics, molecular, cell, or developmental biology (or similar). A thorough theoretical and practical grounding in molecular and cell biology is a prerequisite, and knowledge within the fields of chronobiology and photoreceptors is an advantage. The Lang lab primarily uses the mouse as a model system and we make heavy use of genetic methods. Thus, experience with this system is also an advantage. The applicants should be proficient in written and spoken English, have good computer skills (Word, Photoshop, Excel) and understand the basics of quantitative analysis.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 105500. The Yin laboratory has an immediate opening for a postdoctoral fellow in the Division of Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition. We use zebrafish and mouse models to study pathogenesis of cholestatic liver diseases, discover causative variants, and develop novel therapeutic strategies. Projects utilize multidisciplinary approaches: genetics (next generation sequencing, transgenesis, and application of CRISPR/Cas9 genome editing to generate mutants), confocal imaging, chemical screening, bioinformatics, and liver pathophysiology. We also have the unique opportunity to validate experimental findings in patient liver samples. We seek a highly motivated scientist who is independent, focused, and possesses exceptional skills in cellular/molecular biology and an enthusiasm for learning and developing new techniques. Candidate must hold a doctorate in Cell/Developmental Biology, Genetics, or related field. Experience with zebrafish and rodent models and a background in hepatology are desirable, but not essential.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 103580. The laboratory of Juan Sanchez Gurmaches is seeking to recruit a highly motivated postdoctoral fellow to spearhead research investigating the genetic and metabolic basis of cell-to-cell heterogeneity during development and disease. The goal is to understand the mechanisms that drive the normal and pathological formation and function of distinct types of adipocytes by using mouse genetics, single cell tools, CRISPR screenings, omics approaches and functional in vivo and in vitro studies among others. Successful applicants will have a recent PhD or equivalent with peer review publications, high capacity for independent thinking, collaborative work and problem solving and show motivation and inclination for the area of research. Candidates with strong experience using mice as in vivo model, cell culture techniques, molecular biology and biochemistry and microscopy are encouraged to apply.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 102756. A postdoctoral research position is available immediately in Dr. Rulang Jiang’s laboratory in the Division of Developmental Biology (http://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/research/divisions/d/dev-biology/labs/jiang/default/). We use state-of-the-art genomic technologies, including RNA-seq, ChIP-seq, and CRISPR/Cas9-mediated genome editing, in combination with conditional gene knockout and pharmacogenetics approaches to investigate the genetic, epigenetic, and developmental mechanisms of craniofacial birth defects, including cleft lip, cleft palate, frontonasal dysplasia, and craniofacial skeletal defects. Candidates with a recent PhD degree or equivalent, with research experience in molecular/cell biology, developmental biology, or mouse genetics are encouraged to apply.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 100947. A postdoctoral position is available immediately in Dr. Amanda Zacharias’s Lab to conduct mechanistic inquiries into the problem of context in developmental signaling responses. We seek to understand how Wnt signaling activates distinct targets in different developmental contexts by studying how enhancers integrate multiple quantitative inputs to activate gene expression. We use an innovative time-lapse imaging approach to measure expression of a gene in all cells of a live C. elegans embryo and plan to extend our studies to mammalian embryonic stem cells. Interested candidates must have a PhD and a strong record of accomplishment and experience in developmental biology, model organisms genetics or computational modeling. The ideal candidate will have proficiency in English, at least one first author publication in a reputable international journal from their PhD work, and be collegial, highly motivated, and independent.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 97987. Dr. Satoshi Namekawa’s laboratory has an opening for a postdoctoral Research Fellow. The Namekawa laboratory is focused on elucidating the mechanisms and evolution of epigenetic programming events during germ cell development and early embryogenesis. The current goal of the project is to identify novel factors and related pathways that control epigenetic programming during mouse reproduction.
The ideal candidate will be a recent PhD graduate, energetic, highly motivated and creative individual, eager to explore challenging research. The new fellow is expected to independently design and conduct projects under the supervision of Dr. Namekawa. Candidates with a strong background in any of the following areas are encouraged to apply: reproduction, meiosis, spermatogenesis, DNA damage response and epigenetics including Polycomb, histone post-translational modifications and DNA methylation. Candidates with expertise in the analysis of next-gen sequencing (or strong interest in learning these skills) are preferred. Experience with basic molecular biology skills (DNA work including molecular cloning & vector construction) is required.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 96767. A postdoctoral research fellow position is available in Dr. Ziad’s laboratory to examine the regulation of Nrf2 activity in CF primary epithelial cells, CF animal models, and tissues from CF patients. We plan to: 1) To determine the step(s) in the Nrf2 activation cascade that are dysfunctional in CF; 2) Examine the mechanism by which CFTR dysfunction results in the dysregulation of Nrf2; and 3) Test pharmacological agents that activate Nrf2 by different mechanisms as potential therapies for Nrf2 dysfunction (https://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/research/divisions/p/pulmonary/labs/ziady). Suitable candidates for the position will be new Ph.D. graduates seeking their first postdoctoral fellowship with a strong background in protein-protein interaction studies as well as biochemistry, along with the study of transcription factor activity. Knowledge of the regulation of redox balance in the cell and experience with proteomics and mass spectrometry would be ideal. Background knowledge in other areas where this inflammatory pathway is relevant (cardiac, pulmonary, and neurological disease) would be beneficial.

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Research Fellow and Research Associate Job Number: 95516/ 95517/105225. Two post-doctoral positions and a Research Associate position are available immediately in Dr. Samantha Brugmann’s lab to study vertebrate craniofacial development, patterning and disease. For information about specific research areas see http://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/research/divisions/p/plastic/labs/brugmann/default/. Applicants should possess a Ph.D. in a relevant field, such as Biology, Biochemistry, Genetics or another related discipline and be highly motivated, independent and organized. Successful applicants will have a record of communicating research results via publications and/or professional presentations, and be willing and able to participate in collaborative, interdisciplinary research projects. Experience in developmental biology, cell and molecular biology and avian/murine model systems is desirable. Preference will be given to applicants with a proven record in craniofacial research.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 92860/100567. Two post-doctoral Research Fellow positions are available in the Stottmann lab in the Divisions of Human Genetics and Developmental Biology. Our interests are in the genetic basis of congenital malformations affecting the forebrain and craniofacial structures. Areas of research include 1) characterization of novel genes and variants associated with syndromic congenital malformations, or 2) understanding the role of primary cilia in mouse neural and craniofacial development. Candidates will be expected to develop a vigorous research program in close consultation with the PI. Applicants with multiple first-author publications and experience in mouse genetics, molecular biology and/or embryology are preferred. Preferred qualifications include experience with iPS culture and/or analysis of exome/genome sequencing datasets (for 1) or the primary cilia field (for 2). More information can be found at http://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/research/divisions/h/genetics/labs/stottmann/default/.

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Research Associate Job Number: 91690. Dr. Rashmi Hegde’s laboratory in the Division of Developmental Biology has an opening for a Research Associate to work on one of two projects (https://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/research/divisions/d/devbiology/labs/hegde): 1) Tumor Angiogenesis: We have identified a signaling pathway that promotes both tumor angiogenesis and resistance to DNA damaging therapeutics. We are now developing strategies to simultaneously target both angiogenesis and chemoresistance in several solid tumor models. 2) Proliferative Retinopathies: We have identified signaling pathways that play specific roles in pathological angiogenesis. Using animal models of oxygen-induced retinopathy and diabetic retinopathy, we are now validating therapeutic targets in these pathways and developing drug candidates. Both projects use genetically modified mouse models, cell biology, mechanistic biochemistry, and chemical biology. Successful candidates will have a PhD degree in molecular biology, cell biology or relevant discipline with 3+ year’s postdoc experience in cancer related research. Expertise in the use of mouse models, molecular & cell biology, biochemistry, & human cell culture techniques is required.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 91144. Dr. Taosheng Huang’s laboratory in the Division of Human Genetics studies the molecular basis of genetic syndromes, to apply discoveries from rare diseases to common conditions and to develop treatments for genetic diseases, with a special emphasis on mitochondrial diseases (www.cincinnatichildrens.org/mitochondrial). Methodologies used include next generation sequencing to identify disease causing mutations and iPSCs and mouse models to characterize the impact of these mutations using CRISPR/Cas9 based methods. We are seeking a highly motivated individual with strong background in genetics and molecular/cellular biology, & a PhD degree in Genetics or Molecular/Cellular Biology or related field. Excellent scientific writing, communication, and technical skills strongly desired. Previous experience with stem cell research & animal handling preferred.

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Immunology/Inflammation

Research Fellow Job Number: 105599. The Alenghat lab has an opening for a highly motivated postdoctoral scientist with an interest in host-microbe interactions and epithelial and immune cell homeostasis in the intestine. Our lab employs patient samples
and mouse models to study pathways that regulate intestinal health, infection, and the development of chronic diseases, such as inflammatory bowel disease and diabetes. Recent Ph.D candidates with a strong background in molecular biology and mucosal immunology, and significant experience in flow cytometry and mouse handling are encouraged to apply.  

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**Research Fellow/Research Associate Job Number: 104192/104193.** Dr. Sing Sing Way's laboratory in the Division of Infectious Diseases has an immediate opening for a Research Fellow or Research Associate. The laboratory investigates the immune pathogenesis of infectious diseases and immunological basis of protective immunity. For this position, there is a particular focus on reproductive and/or microbial immunity (http://www.cincinnatichildren.org/bio/w/singsing-way/). Experience in cellular immunology, flow cytometry, and molecular biology is required.  

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**Research Fellow Job Number: 103529.** A Research Fellow position is available in Dr. Gurjit Khurana Hershey's lab in the Division of Asthma Research. We are seeking a highly motivated scientist who is interested in studying asthma, allergy and immunology, specifically identifying and delineating the mechanisms underlying the contributions of genes and environmental factors that promote childhood asthma (http://www.cincinnatichildren.org/research/divisions/a/asthma/labs/hershey/default/). The research fellow will be responsible for driving one of several available research projects as well as manuscript preparation and submission. The candidate is expected to be both a collaborative team-player and capable of working independently with minimal guidance. Strong personal accountability for results and integrity are essential. Good communication, technical and organizational skills are strongly desired.  

**Requirements:** Ph.D in molecular biology, immunology, or related field with a minimum of 3-5 years laboratory experience in molecular biology and immunology. Experience with mouse models preferred.  

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**Research Fellow Job Number: 100884.** A post-doctoral research position is available in the Pasare Lab that is interested in studying inflammatory responses downstream of pattern recognition receptors and the cross-talk between innate and adaptive immune systems. Some examples of ongoing research projects include 1. Regulation of memory CD T cell responses by the Innate Immune system with a particular focus on IL-1 family of cytokines 2. Understanding the role of a novel TIR domain containing adapter BCAP in regulating inflammatory responses in macrophages 3. Role of inflammasome independent IL-1beta in systemic inflammation, autoimmunity and anti-tumor responses (https://www.cincinnatichildren.org/bio/p/chandrashekhar-pasare). Highly motivated candidates with a PhD in biomedical sciences & experience in Immunology, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology are encouraged to apply.  

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**Research Fellow Job Number: 100723.** Genomic technologies (ChIP-seq, EMSA, DAPA, ATAC-seq, DNA methylation, etc.) are being applied in Dr. Harley’s laboratory to reconcile genetic associations with the environmental causes of idiopathic autoimmune disorders with the goal to elucidate mechanisms initiating these pathological processes. The candidate would join a team that has uncovered unexpected powerful associations of transcription factors with genetic loci, with the goal to establish the genetic mechanisms. The team in place has the strategic, informatic, clinical, and technical expertise to provide strong support for the candidate in addition to the other resources and personnel of the Center for Autoimmune Genomics and Etiology (CAGE). The disorders with direct relevance to this position include lupus, rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis, type 1 diabetes, inflammatory bowel disease, chronic lymphocytic leukemia, Hodgkin’s disease, and many others (https://www.cincinnatichildren.org/research/divisions/a/genomics-etiology/team) (Nat Genet. 50:699, 2018). The ideal candidate will have a PhD with a familiarity of genomic molecular laboratory methods (e.g., ChIP-seq, CRISPR-Cas9, EMSA, DAPA, etc.) and be computationally sophisticated. Deep familiarity with genome wide association studies for any complex genetic disease phenotype would be helpful. Preference will be given to applicants with experience with informatic expertise, including genome wide association studies, the analysis of next generation sequence data, large genotyping datasets, and data mining, in general, along with demonstrated scholarly productivity by discovery and publication.  

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**Research Fellow Job Number: 99449/104634.** A position is available immediately in Dr. Marc Rothenberg’s laboratory (http://www.cincinnatichildren.org/research/divisions/a/allergy-immunology/labs/rothenberg/default/), which is focused on allergic responses especially in mucosal tissues such as the lung and the gastrointestinal tract, and aims to understand mechanisms, develop drug targets and identify novel therapeutic strategies and agents. The postdoctorate will be focused on genomics, genetics, molecular immunology, and/or chemistry of several novel susceptibility loci and pathways involved in allergic diseases, and the biochemistry and enzymology of proteases (particularly calpain-14). The postdoctorate will develop, synthesize and/or evaluate small molecule detectors and inhibitors of signaling pathway molecules relevant in allergic diseases. The ideal candidate will have a PhD or equivalent in Biomedical Research with strong expertise in big data analysis, molecular and cellular immunology and/or genetics, Medicinal, Synthetic or Organic Chemistry. A working knowledge of the immune system, genetics and enzymology is preferable.  

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**Research Fellow Job Number: 99379.** A Research Fellow position is available in the laboratory of Dr. Kenneth Kaufman. The laboratory studies the genetics of systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) and has identified validated fine mapped over 70 genetic associations with SLE and have recently identified variants that directly cause disease. To further evaluate the functional role of these variants, the lab is seeking a research fellow who has the ability to perform bench side molecular biology and cellular biology experiments, along with bioinformatics expertise. The fellow will be expected to design experiments, interpret results, prepare manuscripts and support grant writing efforts. Some level of mentorship of junior lab members will also be involved. Recent PhD
graduates with any combination of cell biology, molecular biology, immunology, as well as bioinformatics experience, along with a strong publication record, and the initiative to independently drive research projects are invited to apply.

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Research Fellow Job Number: TBD. Dr. Claire Chougnet's laboratory is studying T cell ontogeny during fetal development and how it is altered by exposure to the inflammatory stimuli associated with prematurity. Her laboratory is also studying regulatory T cell function and homeostasis (http://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/research/divisions/i/immunobiology/labs/chougnet/default/). The Chougnet laboratory has an open position for a highly motivated postdoctoral research fellow with an interest in immune regulation, T cell effector function, and/or neonatology. The applicant should have a strong background in cellular immunology, with specific experience including flow cytometry, cell purification and in vitro functional studies.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 104513. Dr. Eric Mullin’s Laboratory is seeking a post-doctoral fellow to investigate the role of fibrinogen and plasminogen in the setting of a murine model of multiple sclerosis. Our laboratory is focused on understanding the contributions of hemostatic factors in immune disorders. We use genetically modified animals, in combination with in vitro studies, to elaborate the cross-talk between immunity and coagulation. The fellow would be involved in the investigations on plasmin-mediated lysis of fibrin matrices on macrophage migration and blood-brain barrier leak. The ideal candidate would have a Ph.D. in immunobiology, molecular biology, or neuroscience. Experience with murine models of disease, immunofluorescence/immunohistochemistry, and flow cytometry is preferred.

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Neurology and Psychology

Research Fellow Job Number: 105967. Dr. Anna Esbensen and the Division of Developmental Disabilities and Behavioral Pediatrics has an opening for a Postdoctoral Fellowship position focused on measurement research with children and adolescents with Down Syndrome (DS). This federally-funded research fellowship will provide advanced training in working with individuals with developmental disabilities, and specifically on research on DS. The fellow will be involved in several studies, including measuring cognitive or language outcomes in preschool to school-age children with Down syndrome and a study developing a novel behavioral outcome measure for use with individuals with DS. Fellows will be exposed to qualitative (i.e., focus group administration and coding) and quantitative (i.e., scale development, measurement evaluation) methods. Additional opportunities are available to be involved in randomized clinical trial interventions, with exposure to quantitative analysis methods. Other opportunities include participating in the Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (LEND) program and in national clinical trial networks. Access to multiple datasets will contribute to publication and presentation opportunities, and fellows will have protected time for their own research interests, including grant writing. There may also be the opportunity to provide community outreach activities.

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Research Fellow Job Number: 105097. The Timchenko Laboratory is seeking a post-doctoral fellow to investigate mechanisms and treatments of Myotonic Dystrophy type 1 (DM1). The laboratory is focused on translational studies of adult and congenital DM1. We use human tissue samples, human primary cultured cells and mouse models for DM1 and CDM1 to examine the role of GSK3 signaling in DM1 molecular pathophysiology. The postdoc will investigate GSK3 targets in CDM1 and DM1. Candidates with a PhD with experience in murine models of disease, cell culture and molecular studies are preferred.

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