The NIH Intramural Research Program is Recruiting Tenure-Track “Earl Stadtman Investigators”

The National Institutes of Health, the U.S. government’s premier biomedical and behavioral research enterprise, is pleased to announce its fifth annual call for “NIH Earl Stadtman Investigators,” a broad recruitment of tenure-track investigators for all NIH intramural programs. Scientific discoveries from our intramural laboratories, with their extensive infrastructure and critical mass of expertise, have a crucial role in both maintaining America’s research excellence and advancing medical treatments and cures.

Come join the team whose hallmarks are stable funding, intellectual freedom, shared resources, and access to a wide range of scientific expertise. We seek creative, independent thinkers eager to take on high-risk, high-impact research. A fantastic array of early-career scientists already have been hired through the “Stadtman” recruitment in the last four years.

A variety of basic and translational/clinical positions are available, with areas of active recruitment including (but not limited to): Biochemistry, Biomedical Engineering, Biophysics, Biostatistics, Cancer Biology, Cell Biology, Cell Metabolism, Chemical Biology, Chromosome Biology, Circadian Biology, Computational Biology, Developmental Biology, Epidemiology, Genetics, Genomics, Health Disparities, Hearing & Balance, Immunology, Infectious Diseases, Microbiology, Molecular Pharmacology, Neurodevelopment, Neurosciences, Sensory Biology, Structural Biology, Systems Biology, Toxicology, Translational Research, and Virology.

Who we are: Among our approximately 1,100 principal investigators and 5,000 trainees are world-renowned experts in basic, translational, and clinical research. Our strength is our diversity in pursuit of a common goal, to alleviate human suffering from disease. Similar to academia, we offer our scientists the opportunity to mentor outstanding trainees at all levels (e.g., graduate students and postdoctoral fellows) in a research setting.

Whom we seek: For this broad, trans-NIH recruitment effort, we seek talented, early-career scientists with a clear and creative research vision who wish to contribute to the nation’s health.

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. Applicants may be in early stages of their research careers or non-tenured early-to-mid career scientists. Appointees may be U.S. citizens, resident aliens, or non-resident aliens with, or eligible to obtain, a valid employment-authorization visa.

How to apply: Applicants must submit four items: (1) a CV; (2) a three-page proposal titled Research Goals, i.e., the research you hope to perform at the NIH; (3) a one-page statement titled Long-term Research Vision and Impact, i.e., what you hope to achieve for yourself, your field, and society; and (4) contact information for three professional references. Submit these through our online application system at http://tenuretrack.nih.gov/apply between August 1 and 11:59 p.m. EDT October 1, 2013. You will be asked to designate a primary and secondary scientific area of expertise to aid in assigning your application to the appropriate review committee. Requests for letters of recommendation will be sent to your references when you submit your application. Reference letters will be accepted via upload to the website until 11:59 p.m. EDT October 15, 2013. We cannot accept paper applications.

What to expect: Search committees of subject-matter experts will review and evaluate applicants based on publication record, scientific vision and potential scientific impact of current and proposed research, demonstrated independence, awards, and references. The committees will identify the most highly qualified candidates to invite to the NIH for a lecture in November or December 2013, open to the NIH scientific staff, and for subsequent interviews with the search committees. Search committee chairs and NIH Scientific Directors, who lead our intramural programs, will identify finalists for possible recruitment as Earl Stadtman Investigators. Candidates not selected as 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.

We call upon individuals who will open our eyes to possibilities we haven’t yet envisioned, to complement our scientific mission and enhance our research efforts. More information about our program is at http://irp.nih.gov. The inspiring story of Earl and Thressa Stadtman’s research at the NIH is at http://history.nih.gov/exhibits/stadtman. 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. DHHS and NIH are Equal Opportunity Employers.