

Research Associate Position in Autoimmunity
University of Virginia
Department of Microbiology

A post-doctoral position of Research Associate is available for a hard-working, motivated individual to study the genetic and molecular control of autoreactive plasma cells in lupus. The long-term goal of this project is to determine how the lupus susceptibility locus, Nba2, controls the loss of self tolerance in B lymphocytes. The project will use a panel of Nba2 congenic mice to examine B cell differentiation in vivo and in vitro using cellular and molecular immunology techniques. Candidates will have a PhD or MD/PhD in a biomedical field, have a firm grasp on basic immunology, be able to work independently, have practical experience with biochemical and molecular assays, and have excellent communication skills. Experience with in vivo mouse systems is preferred, but not required. The University of Virginia has a strong collaborative research environment that includes an NCI-designated Cancer Center and the Beirne Carter Center for Immunology. State-of-the-art core facilities for flow cytometry, imaging, transgenics, and bioinformatics are available.

Review of applications will commence November 15th, 2007. To apply, send a cover letter citing the qualifications as stated above, a curriculum vitae, and name and contact information for three professional references to address below or e-mail:. This position will remain open until filled.

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