



Tenure-Track Faculty Position in Molecular Virology

The Department of Biomedical Sciences and Pathobiology in the Virginia Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine at Virginia Tech has an open 9-month faculty position at the rank of tenure-track Assistant or Associate Professor level. The primary responsibility will be to establish and maintain a high-quality extramurally funded research program (~75% FTE). There will be opportunities to teach/co-teach in professional (DVM) and graduate courses, and perform service on committees of the department/college/university (~25% FTE). Instructional participation at the graduate level can be tailored to the candidates' interests and expertise. The department and college have a strong vibrant nationally and internationally recognized virology program. We are seeking a highly motivated candidate with a strong record of research accomplishments in virology that will complement the expertise of our existing robust virology program. Candidates with a documented record of research accomplishments (publications and/or extramural grant support) especially in the areas of animal models of viral diseases, vaccine development, viral pathogenesis and host-virus interactions, and translational medicine are strongly encouraged to apply. Appointment to the Associate Professor rank will require a demonstrated record of accomplishment including extramural funding. We are seeking candidates with research interests that fit into one or more of our three main research focus areas of the department: (i) Infectious Diseases and Immunity, (ii) chronic Inflammatory Disorders, and (iii) Regenerative Medicine. The candidate will be joining a progressive department that has recently recruited thirteen new faculty in the above areas. Research at the interface of these focus areas is desired. Opportunities to develop independent and interdisciplinary collaborative research programs exist both within the college and with other life sciences-oriented departments, colleges, and institutes on campus. Excellent opportunities also exist to mentor and train Ph.D. students.

For more information about the college, please visit <http://www.vetmed.vt.edu/>; for departmental information including other areas of expertise please visit <http://www.vetmed.vt.edu/org/dbsp/index.asp>. Please also visit the web links of four Virginia Tech life/health sciences-related Institutes, which foster intercollegiate research interactions. These include: (1) Fralin Life Sciences Institute: <http://www.biotech.vt.edu/>; (2) VT Carilion Research Institute: <http://vtrc.vt.edu/research/>; (3) Virginia Bioinformatics Institute: <http://www.vbi.vt.edu/>; (4) Institute for Critical Technology and Applied Science: <http://www.ictas.vt.edu/>. Opportunities for translational research in collaboration with faculty in the College's Departments of Large and Small Animal Clinical Sciences and the Via College of Osteopathic Medicine exist as well.

Virginia Tech, founded in 1872 as a land-grant institution and ranked eighth nationally among public universities in The Princeton Review's "Best Value Colleges" for 2010 and 2011. Serving a diverse population of 30,000+ students and 8,000+ faculty and staff in the U.S. and around the world, Virginia Tech is the largest residential university in the Commonwealth of Virginia. According to the National Science Foundation, Virginia Tech had research expenditures totaling \$450 million in 2011, ranking 41st out of 900 universities nationwide. The university currently is undergoing dramatic growth in its research programs. The Virginia Tech campus is nestled in the picturesque Blue Ridge Mountains. Blacksburg metro area is ranked no.21 best-performing small city in US, and the Money magazine as one of the Top 100 best places to live. Virginia Tech is dedicated to the principle of diversity and seeks a broad spectrum of candidates including women, minorities, and people with disabilities.

Candidate requirements for this position include a Ph.D. in virology or related biomedical science and a strong record of research funding and publications. Candidates with DVM and Ph.D. are particularly encouraged to apply. Full consideration is assured to applications received by April 30th, 2014. Interested individuals should electronically submit a *curriculum vitae*, letter of intent outlining academic record, teaching philosophy and career goals. Please also include names and addresses of three professional references at <http://www.jobs.vt.edu>. Should you need more information, please contact Dr. X-J Meng, Chair of Virology Search Committee, Univ. Distinguished Professor, Biomedical Sciences and Pathobiology, VMRCVM. Phone: (540) 231-6912, xjmeng@vt.edu