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Budget Title: Postdoctoral Associate
Posting No: R14-34
Descriptive Title: Postdoctoral Associate
Grade: E.89
Department: Biological Sciences
Reports to: Principal Investigator
Salary Range: $35,000-$42,000
FLSA Status: Exempt

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Description of Duties: Highly motivated individuals interested in RNA/RNA and RNA/protein interactions as related to the control of gene expression and human infectious diseases such as HIV and MRSA are encouraged to apply. Position is associated with the new Institute for RNA Science and Technology in the laboratory of Dr. Paul Agris. The RNA Institute has an established scientific membership of 49 investigators in RNA biology encompassing laboratories from the SUNY system, Wadsworth Center and private universities.

Applicants should be able to work independently, have the experience cited below and be expected to use that knowledge to assist in the training and supervision of a culturally diverse research group of laboratory personnel. Applicants are expected to seek and apply for federal and private agency postdoctoral fellowships. The position is contingent on successful scientific progress, publications and availability of funding. The position is available from January 2015.

Minimum Qualifications: Ph.D. in biochemistry or structural biology from an accredited U.S. university or the equivalent from a foreign university. Theoretical background and experience in operating modern high field NMR instruments and restrained molecular dynamics calculations for determining bio-macromolecular structure; proficiency in expression, purification and biochemical manipulations of RNA; working knowledge of CD and UV-Vis spectroscopy. Applicants should also possess strong organizational and verbal and written communication skills. Applicants must have received their doctoral degree within the last three years from the date of appointment to this postdoctoral position. Applicants must address in their applications their ability to work with a culturally diverse population. Applicants must respond with detailed curriculum vitae, statement of research experience and interest, and at least three reference letters from their immediate supervisor, and others aware of their research capabilities.

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Preferred Qualifications: The preferred candidate will have already solved structures of biologically significant RNAs, has experience in ITC and has published peer-reviewed articles.

Persons interested in the above position should submit a cover letter, resume, three work-related references, along with a letter of application to:

Name: Frohlich, Kyla (Email ID: kfrohlich@albany.edu)
Title: Agris Lab Manager
Address: 1400 Washington Ave. LSRB 1126 Albany, NY 12222

Closing date for receipt of applications: Until position is filled

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