



Faculty Position in Synthetic and Molecular Biology

The Advanced Centre for Biochemical Engineering

University College London

We seek a new faculty member with a track record in the genetic manipulation of microbial or mammalian cells to work in a multidisciplinary environment. Our research is directed at bringing new generations of medicines through to patients. Research targets include the application of synthetic biology principles to yield more selective small molecule medicines, genetic means to enhance the level of potential therapeutic proteins and a programme on engineered human cells for therapy.

Departmental staff include biologists, chemists, biochemical, chemical and mechanical engineers and a surgeon and we have links to a dozen other departments and institutes at UCL which was rated one of the top 4 UK research universities recently. We also currently have over 40 active company collaborations. An international review concluded our largest programme "leads the world in its approach to an increasingly important area".

Our objective is to underpin better bioprocesses by which new medicines are made and hence we seek someone who is passionate about their subject but wishes to collaborate and to educate others. New faculty are invited to join in several activities as well as focusing in on their own area. The appointment would be expected to hold a PhD in a relevant subject and contribute to internationally leading research and education in the area. The level of appointment will depend on the qualifications and experience of the successful applicant.

The salary will be in the Lecturer Grade 8 range (akin to Assistant Professor): £39,313 per annum to £46,403 per annum, inclusive of £2,781 per annum London Allowance, or in the Senior Lecturer Grade 9 range (akin to Associate Professor): £50,447 per annum to £54,867 per annum, inclusive of £2,781 per annum London Allowance.

Further details and application forms (to be accompanied by a full CV) can be obtained from Ms Paula Thomas, Department of Biochemical Engineering, University College London, Torrington Place, London WC1E 7JE, UK or via email to paula.thomas@ucl.ac.uk. For background information about the Department see: www.ucl.ac.uk/biochemeng.

We particularly welcome female applicants and those from an ethnic minority, as they are under-represented within UCL at Senior Lecturer level. This is in line with section 48 of the Sex Discrimination Act and section 38 of the Race Relations Act.

UCL Taking Action for Equality.

The closing date for applications is Thursday, 30th April 2009.