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Dr. Douglas Brutlag  
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Dear Dr. Brutlag:

I am writing to ask for your help in identifying talented researchers, with an interest in bioinformatics and biogerontology, who might wish to be considered for a tenure track faculty appointment at the University of Michigan.

Our Bioinformatics program, directed by Dr. David States, together with our Geriatrics Center, directed by Dr. Jeffrey Halter, is currently seeking applications from scientists who wish to develop a research program to link modern methods in bioinformatics to important questions in the biology of aging and late life disease. The candidate will be a member of the Center for Geriatrics and the Bioinformatics Program. We are hoping to find individuals who are interested in developing and exploiting new methods for analysis of complex data sets developed from experimental studies of aging rodent, primate, and human populations. We hope to be able to recruit someone who could participate in our ongoing collaborative studies of genetic polymorphisms and gene expression in aging rodents, and who will also be proactive in forging new collaborations with biologically oriented gerontologists at the medical school and in other units across campus. Substantial start-up funding will be available for the selected candidate while he or she works to obtain an appropriate level of extramural support for research.

The University of Michigan Medical School is considered one of the 10 best in the country, and provides an exceptionally strong research environment. The University of Michigan is building a multidisciplinary Program in Bioinformatics (<http://www.bioinformatics.med.umich.edu>) bringing together advanced computational technology and experimental biosciences. The infrastructure for aging research is particularly strong, including NIA support for both a Claude Pepper Older Americans Independence Center and a Nathan Shock Center for the Biology of Aging, in addition to an NIA Training Grant, a GRECC award from the VA, and numerous program project and research grant awards. These and other resources can provide new faculty members with various sorts of support for pilot projects as well as opportunities for collaborative research.

If you know of junior faculty members or senior postdoctoral scientists who might be interested in applying for such a position, I'd be grateful if you could call this opportunity to their attention and ask them to contact me directly (at millerr@umich.edu or 734 936 2122) for further information.

Thanks.

Best regards,

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