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24 June 2013

Dean William Dodge
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RE: Biomedical Researcher Development Scholarship

Dear Dean Dodge,

The Biomedical Researcher Development Scholarship (BRDS) is a Temporomandibular Joint Disorder and Orofacial Pain Research Career Development Award (K12) at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Dentistry. This program is seeking applicants. Please circulate the attached Call for Application notice to interested parties (including junior faculty and post-doctoral students and fellows) in your school. Applications will be accepted until 31 July 2013.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

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Biomedical Researcher Development Scholarship (BRDS) A Research Career Development Award (K12)

Call for Application

The Biomedical Researcher Development Scholarship (BRDS) is a Temporomandibular Joint Disorder (TMJD) and Orofacial Pain (OFP) Research Career Development Award (K12) at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Dentistry. The goal of this program is to foster the career development of independent basic, clinical and translational research scholars who can lead multi-disciplinary research teams to apply novel approaches to TMJD and OFP research thereby improving the understanding of these disorders and leading to more effective methods of diagnosis and treatment.

The duration of this K12 award for the individual scholar is 3 years. BRD scholars will have the opportunity to carry out supervised biomedical, epidemiological, health services/health policy, or clinical research with the primary objective of developing or enhancing multi-disciplinary collaborative research skills and knowledge in preparation for an independent research career. The program faculty comprises of Regional Center for Neurosensory Disorders (RCNSD) (<http://www.dentistry.unc.edu/research/researchcenters/CNSD/>) senior research faculty from diverse backgrounds with training and expertise in TMJD and OFP.

The candidate entry level will be post-doctoral fellows or junior faculty level namely DDS/MD/equivalent with research experience PhD/MS (clinician scientists) or non-clinician post-doctoral PhD scientists. Established investigators redirecting their research focus to TMJD or OFP must be committed to developing a research career in this area and should have a background in OFP research or a complementary research area that could be applied to OFP research. Preference is for scholar candidates who have already demonstrated strong interest in becoming independent principal investigators, managing their own multidisciplinary research team, and obtaining appropriate independent funding for such endeavors.

Applicants must submit an application packet which includes all transcripts since high school, documentation of previous scientific, dental, or medical school studies, results of the GRE (if applicable), three letters of recommendation, and a letter of interest and personal statement. Applications will be accepted until 31 July 2013. The application should be emailed to Dr. Pei Feng Lim at peifeng_lim@DENTISTRY.UNC.EDU. Further information may also be obtained from Dr. Lim.