Tenure-Track Group Leader in Developmental Neuroscience

Centre for Developmental Neurobiology, King’s College London

The Centre for Developmental Neurobiology invites applications for tenure-track group leader positions in developmental neuroscience.

We are looking to recruit outstanding early career investigators who will make significant contributions to developmental neuroscience. We are particularly interested in proposals addressing human brain development and its genomic basis, the emergence of brain structure and function as well as neural plasticity and neurodevelopmental disorders. We are seeking innovative scientists with promising potential for developing an internationally recognised research programme. The originality of the candidate's work will take precedence over the sub-area of specialisation. Applicants should be seeking a stimulating interdisciplinary environment in which to pursue research.

Applications are welcomed from early career scientists who meet the eligibility criteria for career development fellowships (such as those offered by the Wellcome Trust and the Research Councils). Successful candidates will establish their own independent research group in the Centre, supported by a fellowship and will then progress to a tenured post upon completion of their fellowship, subject to a satisfactory progress review. The Centre for Developmental Neurobiology has an excellent track record for tenure-track junior group leaders securing career development fellowships.

Successful candidates will have their primary appointment at the Centre for Developmental Neurobiology within the Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Neuroscience at King’s College London. Depending on their research programme, candidates may also have a secondary appointment with the MRC Centre for Neurodevelopmental Disorders.

These posts are an exciting opportunity for early career academics to establish their own independent research group within King’s College London’s vibrant neuroscience research community. Successful candidates will be given office and laboratory space, access to state-of-the art core facilities, a PhD studentship and additional opportunities to recruit students from various PhD programmes. Mentorship from a senior faculty member and career development opportunities will also be provided.
To apply, please submit:

- A one-page summary of research achievements;
- A one-page outline of your proposed research;
- Your academic CV; and
- The names of three potential referees

to Dr Tamara al Janabi, Research Strategy Manager, via e-mail: tamara.al_janabi@kcl.ac.uk

Please write “Application for tenure-track group leader” in the subject of your e-mail.

For an informal discussion about the position, please contact Professor Oscar Marin via email: oscar.marin@kcl.ac.uk. Please write “CDN tenure-track group leader” in the subject of your e-mail.

Preliminary interviews will be held via Zoom during the week commencing 13th December 2021 and those successful at this stage will be invited for a seminar and visit during January 2022.

Closing date for receipt of applications is 23:59 GMT on 07th December 2021.

The Centre for Developmental Neurobiology occupies the entire fourth floor of New Hunt’s House, a multipurpose research and teaching building on the Guy’s Campus of King’s College London next to London Bridge in central London. The Centre has a team of over 150 researchers and is part of the Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Neuroscience, King’s College London. Our work focuses on understanding the mechanisms that control brain development and how deviations from this blueprint lead to disorders. We carry out highly collaborative and multi-disciplinary studies using an array of model organisms (http://www.devneuro.org).

The Centre for Developmental Neurobiology greatly values diversity and is committed to equality of opportunity. We particularly welcome female applicants and those from ethnic groups in a minority in the UK, as they are under-represented within King’s at this level.