Research Assistant in Cardiovascular and Bone Biology at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School

The Yu laboratory, based in the Cardiovascular Division at BWH and Harvard Medical School, seeks a Research Assistant to work on projects focused on the role of Bone Morphogenetic Protein (BMP) signaling in cardiovascular and bone diseases. BMPs have critical roles in the regulation of vascular, cardiac and bone progenitor cells. Ongoing projects include studies of the cardiopulmonary system in genetically-modified mice, and the development of novel drug therapies for diseases caused by abnormal BMP signaling. Experience with cell biology, tissue culture, biochemical and molecular biology techniques is preferred.

This position is laboratory-based, but will also offer opportunities to work with patients in clinical research settings. This full time position will be ideal for individuals interested in future careers in medicine or science. This is a small and friendly laboratory group, and the research assistant will be supervised directly by the principal investigator. Salary is competitive and will depend upon experience. Hours will generally be 8:30 to 5 but may require some flexibility. BA or BS with Major in Biology and two-year commitment is preferred.

QUALIFICATIONS & SKILLS:

- Bachelor's degree in Biological Sciences or Chemistry
- Excellent organizational, mathematical, communication, and critical thinking skills
- Prior experience in laboratory research and molecular biology helpful
- An interest in health sciences and disease-oriented translational research

RELEVANT REFERENCES:

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