JOB OPENING AT IRB BARCELONA

RESEARCH ASSISTANT (ref. LAB/20/01)

Created in 2005 by the Generalitat de Catalunya (Government of Catalonia) and the University of Barcelona, IRB Barcelona is a Severo Ochoa Centre of Excellence—a seal that was awarded in 2011.

The institute is devoted to conducting research of excellence in biomedicine and to transferring results to clinical practice, thus improving people’s quality of life, while simultaneously promoting the training of outstanding researchers, technology transfer, and public communication of science. Its 25 laboratories and seven core facilities address basic questions in biology and are orientated to diseases such as cancer, metastasis, Alzheimer’s, diabetes, and rare conditions.

IRB Barcelona is an international centre that hosts 400 members and 30 nationalities. It is located in the Barcelona Science Park. IRB Barcelona forms part of the Barcelona Institute of Science and Technology (BIST) and the “Xarxa de Centres de Recerca de Catalunya” (CERCA).

IRB Barcelona is seeking a motivated and experienced Research Assistant for the Comparative Genomics Group of the Institute for Research in Biomedicine (IRB Barcelona). The successful candidate will work on the project “Genomic and phenotypic evolution in Candida pathogens” funded by the Ministry of Science, Innovation and Universities and by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) with reference number PGC2018-099921-B-I00.

**DUTIES**

- We are looking for a candidate to work on the experimental laboratory of the group, using several techniques, including yeast cell culturing, nucleic acids extraction, genomics library preparation, microbiome analysis, and other standard microbiology and molecular biology techniques.

- The candidate will also be in charge of ordering reagents, equipment and material, and organizing the logistics of the experimental laboratory.

- The candidate will interact with core facilities at the IRB and services elsewhere, as well as with other members of the group.

**EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS & SELECTION CRITERIA**

**Must Have - Required**

- **Experience**: We are looking for an experienced research assistant with at least 5 years of working experience with similar duties.

- **Knowledge**: Knowledge of basic microbiology and molecular biology techniques. Knowledge of next generation sequencing technologies.

- **Skills**: Good written and spoken English. Good interpersonal skills, ability to train and supervise other, more junior members in the lab.

On 9 December 2014, IRB Barcelona was awarded the “HR Excellence in Research” logo. This recognition reflects the commitment of the Institute to the continuous improvement of its human resources policies in line with the Charter & Code. The Institute works to ensure fair and transparent recruitment and appraisal procedures.
Desirable

- **Experience**: Experience working on microbiome and/or fungal yeast pathogens would be a plus.
- **Skills**: Managerial and organizational skills.

**WORKING CONDITIONS & ENTITLEMENTS**

- **Working conditions**: Employed in compliance with Spanish legislation and regulations under a full-time contract. Employees receive the benefits of the Spanish Social Security system covering sickness, maternity/paternity leave and injuries at work. Salary commensurate with experience and qualifications.
- **International Environment**: The opportunity to join a prestigious international research institution and become a member of an established research group.
- **Continuous training** in a high-quality environment.

**HOW TO APPLY & SELECTION PROCESS**

Applications for the above opening should include a full CV & Cover Letter addressed to Dr. Toni Gabaldón, and should be sent by e-mail to: irbjobs@irbbarcelona.org, indicating the Reference: LAB/20/01.

- **Deadline for applications**: 16/03/2020
  If no suitable candidate is found, the deadline will be extended.
- **Number of positions available**: 1
- **Selection process**:
  - **Pre-selection**: Will be based on CV, motivation letter, experience, management of research and innovation.
  - **Interviews**: Short-listed candidates will be interviewed.
  - **Job Offer**: Will be sent to the successful candidate after the interview.

For more information please visit our website at: www.irbbarcelona.org

*Note: The strengths and weaknesses of the applications will be provided upon request.*

If you, as an applicant, have any suggestion or wish to make a complaint regarding the selection process, please contact us at the following email address: irbrecruitment.suggestions@irbbarcelona.org. You will receive a response within a month.