

Strategic Faculty Recruitments in Broad Areas of Diabetes Research at UAB

THE OPPORTUNITY

The University of Alabama at Birmingham* (UAB) Heersink School of Medicine (Heersink SOM)** and the UAB Comprehensive Diabetes Center (UCDC)*** are leading the **recruitment of up to 10 investigators for a major strategic portfolio increase across basic, translational, clinical, and population science research efforts in diabetes**. Recruitment is for tenured, tenure-track, and non-tenure-earning faculty applicants with an MD, PhD or MD/PhD at all ranks and includes academic appointment in one or more of 27 academic departments across the Heersink SOM, many of which rank in the top 10 nationally in NIH funding.

All applications will be considered, but priority will be given to those with the following focus areas in diabetes and metabolism research:

- single-cell biology
- epigenetics
- bioinformatics
- investigator-initiated clinical trials
- adult or pediatric longitudinal diabetes studies
- medical informatics
- precision diabetes
- translational type 1 and type 2 diabetes research
- population health research in diabetes

THE INSTITUTION

Successful applicants will join one of the strongest diverse diabetes environments in the country. The UAB Comprehensive Diabetes Center has more than 200 faculty members representing 10 UAB schools and many departments and spanning the full range of biomedical diabetes research. It also has one of only 16 nationally funded Diabetes Research Center (DRC) awards. In addition, UAB has numerous other centers and institutes that are highly relevant to diabetes research and to the specific areas of interest including the Nutrition Obesity Research Center (NORC), Center for Exercise Medicine, Center for Free Radical Biology, Microbiome Center, Integrative Center for Aging Research, Minority Health and Health Disparities Research Center (MHRC), Center for Outcomes and Effectiveness Research and Education (COERE), Nephrology Research and Training Center, NIH Center for Clinical and Translational Science (CCTS), Informatics Institute, and the Hugh Kaul Precision Medicine Institute. Moreover, both adult and pediatric diabetes clinics at UAB are very active, with a high volume of new type 1 and type 2 diabetes cases, and serve a highly diverse patient population coming from a large catchment area.

UAB has been named the Best Large Employer by Forbes in 2021 and is ranked #4 for diversity. Driven by an intensely collaborative and entrepreneurial character, UAB is one of the leading economic engines of the State, with a nearly \$4 billion budget and a statewide economic impact exceeding \$7 billion annually. UAB is Alabama's largest employer with more than 23,000 employees; it supports more than 64,000 jobs statewide. UAB received nearly \$849 million in research grants and extramural awards for the 12-month period ending Sept. 30, 2021. With more than 1,700 full-time faculty and almost 2,000 medical and graduate students, the Heersink SOM ranks 21st nationally in NIH research funding and in the top 8 for all public

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institutions. Three departments within the Heersink SOM are ranked in the top 10 for NIH funding in 2021: Dermatology - #2; Microbiology - #9; Biomedical Engineering - #10.

TO APPLY

The Heersink SOM welcomes inquiries, nominations, and applications. To receive full consideration, interested individuals should electronically submit a Curriculum Vitae, a letter of interest, and a diversity statement.

The letter of interest is a brief cover letter detailing your experience and key achievements related to this position and your thoughts on how you see yourself contributing to the programs and responsibilities described in this position specification. Statements of diversity should outline your efforts/experience at promoting diversity and inclusive excellence. Letters should be addressed to the UAB Search Committee and submitted electronically.

Materials will be reviewed immediately and will continue to be reviewed until the positions are filled. All inquiries should be emailed to Josh Carter, Ph.D., Executive Director for Heersink SOM Strategic Leadership Recruitment at mcarter1@uab.edu.

For a more detailed position announcement and to apply, please visit:

<https://uab.peopleadmin.com/postings/11231>

**For more information about Birmingham, please visit:*

<https://www.uab.edu/medicine/home/about/birmingham>

***For more information about the UAB Heersink SOM, please visit:*

<https://www.uab.edu/medicine/home/>

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UAB is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer committed to fostering a diverse, equitable and family-friendly environment in which all faculty and staff can excel and achieve work/life balance irrespective of, race, national origin, age, genetic or family medical history, gender, faith, gender identity and expression as well as sexual orientation. UAB also encourages applications from individuals with disabilities and veterans.

A pre-employment background check is performed on candidates selected for employment. In addition, physicians and other clinical faculty candidates who will be employed by the University of Alabama Health Services Foundation (UAHSF) or other UAB Medicine entities must successfully complete a pre-employment drug and nicotine screen to be hired.