

# Center Scientist Program Announcement- June 2022 Accepting Applications Now!

The Michigan Lifestage Environmental Exposures and Disease (M-LEEaD) Center is now accepting applications for two Center Scientists. The Center Scientist position provides special mentorship experiences to early stage investigators and includes a contribution to salary and benefits. The Center Scientist is expected to engage in research that addresses the goals of the M-LEEaD Center to define, explain, or mitigate impacts of environmental exposures during vulnerable stages of life.

Center Scientists complete formal rotations with each of the Facility Cores (Exposure Assessment, Integrated Health Sciences, and Pan-Omics and Data Science Core) and with the Community Engagement Core, gaining a breadth of expertise in environmental health sciences approaches and learning the crucial role of community engagement. Center Scientists may also work with a core leader to plan and execute an M-LEEaD workshop or other training program. The M-LEEaD Career Development Program encourages Center Scientist participation in career development programs at MICHR, including the MICHR K award grant writing workshop. Center Scientists prepare short quarterly reports and meet regularly with the M-LEEaD Career Development Program leader. Center Scientists also have an opportunity to help plan early career enhancement activities in collaboration with our partner NIEHS P30 Centers. M-LEEaD Center Scientists have opportunities for advanced training in environmental statistics, omics-related bioinformatics, research integrity and certification, professional development for teaching and service, seminar presentations, and attendance at national meetings.

## **APPLICATION DUE DATE**

July 25, 2022

#### AWARDS

An award of up to \$25,000 will be made toward salary support plus associated benefits of the Center Scientist for one year. Two awards are intended to be made.

#### **FUNDING PERIOD**

The anticipated start date of support is August 15, 2022 with an end date of March 31, 2023.

#### **ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS**

Eligible applications from within the University of Michigan can be current postdoctoral trainees or research fellows. Junior faculty appointed as assistant research professor, clinical assistant professor, or assistant research scientist with less than two years in rank within the University of Michigan may also apply. Members of the M-LEEaD Center are strongly encouraged to identify candidates. Applicant's environmental health research must be without a <u>foreign</u> <u>component</u>.

#### **APPLICATION SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS**

Application materials should be submitted by email to M-LEEaD Center Administrative Assistant Rose Branstrom at rbranstr@umich.edu following the guidelines below. Applications must be submitted by July 25, 2022 with an expected decision by August 10, 2022.

### Applicants should prepare applications based on these guidelines:

- 1. A single PDF file that includes:
  - Summary of your research plan as a Center Scientist, including the plan's relevance to the M- LEEaD Center/ NIEHS strategic goals, and a description of training goals for the duration of the funding (including plans for any research grant applications). Formatting requirements: 2-3 pages; minimum text size 11 point; 6 lines per inch; half-inch page margins on all sides)
  - CV or current Biosketch
- Letter of support from mentor (for postdoctoral trainee and research fellow applicants) or senior faculty member (for assistant research professor, clinical assistant professor, or assistant research scientist applicants) willing to serve as mentor within the applicant's department, including detailed description of mentoring plan and research support for the applicant.

#### FURTHER INFORMATION

Additional information about the M-LEEaD Center and its Career Development Program can be found <u>here</u>. The NIEHS Strategic Goals can be found <u>here</u>.

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