

**UNIVERSITY OF CYPRUS**  
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**CENTER OF EXCELLENCE IN BIOBANKING AND BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH**  
**VACANT POSITIONS FOR SPECIAL SCIENTISTS– MOLECULAR BIOLOGISTS**

**Title:** Special Scientist – Molecular Biologist  
**Number of positions:** Two (2)  
**Category:** Contract for 2 years, with potential for renewal  
**Place of employment:** University of Cyprus, Nicosia

The biobank.cy Center of Excellence in Biobanking and Biomedical Research of the University of Cyprus has openings for two Special Scientists to support the following research programs:

- Center of Excellence in Research and Innovation - Biobanking and the Cyprus Human Genome Project (CY-Biobank), which is co-funded by the European Commission, the Republic of Cyprus, and the University of Cyprus.
- Genetic modifiers and biomarker discovery in inherited glomerulopathies - CY-NEPHRON, “RESTART 2016 – 2020”, INTEGRATED/0916/0042

#### **biobank.cy Center of Excellence**

Established in 2019, the biobank.cy is developing the first Biobank in Cyprus while it aspires to fostering front-line research on human genetic diseases and offer better prospects for diagnosis, prevention and therapy, in the framework of precision medicine.

#### **Requirements**

- PhD degree in the Biomedical Sciences
- Documented knowledge of molecular biology and genetics, experience in molecular diagnostic techniques & methodology and ability to develop independent research and administrative work
- Knowledge of bioinformatics approaches and tools for genomic/genetic analysis will be considered a significant advantage

#### **Profile**

- Strong background in Molecular Biology and good understanding of genetics and genetic engineering
- The candidate should be creative, enthusiastic and passionate about research

#### **Duties and Responsibilities**

- Development of experimental and administrative activity aimed at complementing existing research programmes and developing new ones, in the field of human genomics and genetics with emphasis on genetic and hereditary diseases. This activity will include developing and offering specific diagnostic tests for genetic diseases. The project also includes a strong component on biomarker discovery.
- It is expected that the candidate will be active in writing and submitting research proposals in Cyprus and abroad to enhance her/ his research activities and the Center's activities in general, either individually or as a group.

### **Terms of employment**

The positions will be for full-time employment with a 2-year contract, and potential for renewal. The monthly gross salary will be commensurate to qualifications and previous experience and ranges between €2500 and €3500. There is no provision for a 13<sup>th</sup> salary.

### **Submission of applications:**

1. A letter expressing interest to the position with a brief description of qualifications (1 page).
2. A brief curriculum vitae with description of previous experience (2 pages).
3. Copies of degrees.
4. Contact details of at least two people qualified to provide recommendation for the candidate.
5. Certificates attesting to the good knowledge of the Greek and English language, unless this is attested by the mother tongue of the candidate or he/she is a graduate of a Greek/English school/University.

At least the best three candidates that satisfy the required qualifications, will be interviewed by a 3-member Committee.

Candidates shall be informed of the result of their application by the relevant entity.

The University of Cyprus shall collect and process your personal data according to the provisions of the General Regulation on Personal Data 2016/679 (EU).

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**The application material should be sent electronically as one single pdf file to:  
biobank@ucy.ac.cy at the latest until July 31st, 2023.**

For more information the candidates may contact the Coordinator of the project, Prof. C. Deltas,  
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