Job Title: Faculty Positions in Li Ka Shing Institute of Synthetic Biology (in preparation)
Department: Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering
Job ID: 4875

Job Posting Details

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) has recently received a donation of HK$500 million from Li Ka Shing Foundation to establish the first Institute of Synthetic Biology in Hong Kong. In preparation for the establishment of Li Ka Shing Institute of Synthetic Biology at HKUST, we are proactively recruiting a number of global talents in synthetic biology for tenure-track or tenured faculty positions at all ranks, namely Assistant Professor/Associate Professor/Professor. For a highly qualified well-established scholar, an endowed Chair Professorship at the Institute would be considered.

In general, the Institute focuses on thematic applications in biomedicine, health technology, ocean and environmental sustainability. We aim to translate synthetic biology from laboratory scale to field deployment. Applicants with strong research expertise in non-model microorganisms, genome engineering, and data analytics-enabled synthetic biology to accelerate and optimize design-build-test-learn cycle are all welcome.

The successful applicant would be jointly appointed by the Institute together with an academic unit at the University. The units that the positions would be affiliated with include Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering, Division of Life Science, Department of Ocean Science, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, etc.

Applicants should have a PhD degree in a related field. Successful candidates are expected to develop strong, independent and innovative programs of externally sponsored research; teach effectively at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels; and participate in services of the Institute, the Department, the School and the University. For information about the University, please visit www.ust.hk.

Salary is highly competitive and will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. Fringe benefits include annual leave, medical and dental benefits. Housing benefits will also be provided where applicable. Appointment at the Professor rank will be on substantive basis, whereas initial appointment at Assistant Professor/Associate Professor rank will normally be on a three-year contract. A gratuity will be payable upon successful completion of contract.

The University is committed to diversity in recruitment and equal opportunity employment, and has a range of family-friendly policies in place.

Application Procedure
Interested candidates are invited to upload a full curriculum vitae, statements of research and teaching, and the names and contact information of at least three referees via this link: https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/14408. For candidates interested in Full Professor or Chair Professor position, you may contact the Head of Department of CBE (kehsing@ust.hk) directly. For enquiries, please send to synbiohire@ust.hk. Review of applications will start immediately and will continue until all the positions are filled.

Information provided by applicants will be used for recruitment and other employment-related purposes only.

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