Research Unit Leader Position, Oct.1, 2008

Areas: Bioinformatics, Computational biology, Theoretical biology
We are currently seeking a researcher with a high level of expertise in bioinformatics, theoretical biology or computational biology.

RIKEN (http:www.riken.jp/engn/), Japan’s premier national research institute, is now accepting proposals for the establishment of a new Initiative Research Unit Program laboratory
This program was established to cultivate top-grade talent by affording opportunities to superior young researchers to independently lead a research unit of several researchers/technical staffers toward ambitious research goals.

This units will receive about 150 m of lab/office space.
Contract conditions: Salary is JPY10.9 m/annum (pre-tax) and commuter/housing allowances.
One year contacts, renewable for up to a max. five-year period.
Budget: JPY38.5 m/FY;
JPY10 m also may be made available as one-time startup fund.

Prospective applicants: Dynamic and resourceful researchers with a proven record of achievement possessing a doctoral degree in natural science or engineering; must propose a novel, ambitious research plan and possess sufficient experience to independently manage a research unit toward its accomplishment. Especially, applicants skilled in high performance computing will be viewed favorably.

Applications: Must be received NLT 1700 Japan time June 16, 2008. See Web site (below) for application materials and requirements.

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