

FOR UNIVERSITY STAFF

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CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Professor Patrik Rorsman who has received funding from the The Leona M. and Harry B. Helmsley Charitable Trust for the project **“Pilot studies to understand alpha cell dysfunction and correct glucagon secretion in type 1 diabetes.”**

SEMINARS

WEDNESDAY SEMINAR

There is no Wednesday Seminar this week.

FRIDAY SEMINAR

There is no Friday Seminar this week.

MEDICAL GRAND ROUNDS

There is no Medical Grand Rounds this week

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING – FRIDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER



The World's Biggest Coffee Morning is Macmillan's biggest fundraising event for people facing cancer.

OCDEM will be holding a coffee morning on Friday 29th September at 10.30 in the Info Café area.

Any donations of baking would be very much appreciated and if you would be willing to help on the day then please contact the OCDEM A Team. If you are not a baker then please come along on the 29th of September and support a very good cause

MAINTENANCE IN THE BUILDING



Following on from the electrical audit carried out by SSE on behalf of the NHS Trust Estates department, some rectification work needs to be carried out which will require power being turned off for a specific amount of time.

Therefore, on Thursday 28th September 2017 power to electrical sockets and hand dryers in rooms 101S01 to 101S28 inclusive (basically all of the second floor at the North West end of the building) will be off from 07:30 until 09:30.

Lift 11 will also be out of action from 08:30 until 10:30 on the same day.

If you have any queries please contact Dennis Carter.



It's Pippin Doughnuts time again. They will be delivered on Thursday and the flavours this month are as follows:

Mixed berry jam
Vanilla custard
Chocolate
Cinnamon and brown sugar
Passion fruit curd
Strawberries and cream
Cappuccino
Butterscotch and hazelnut
Apricot, orange and vanilla jam

The price is £1.10 per doughnut. If you/your group wants to put in an order can you please provide Karen Parish with the details by 10 am tomorrow (Tuesday) along with the relevant money. Admin will take delivery of the doughnuts on the day.

VACANCIES IN THE DEPARTMENT



THEME COORDINATOR AND FACILITATOR FOR NIHR DATABASE

Grade 7: £31,604 - £38,833 p.a.

THIS IS A READVERTISEMENT. PREVIOUS APPLICANTS NEED NOT APPLY

We are seeking an enthusiastic Theme Coordinator and Facilitator for NIHR Database to work within a research team headed by Professor R Thakker, FRS, at the Oxford Centre for Diabetes Endocrinology and Metabolism (OCDEM), at the University of Oxford Churchill Hospital site.

The successful applicant will work on a project funded by the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Rare Disease Translational Research Collaboration (TRC).

The NIHR has established a Rare Diseases Translational Research Collaboration (RD TRC) to increase research collaborations that will lead to improved diagnosis, treatment and care for people with rare diseases.

The postholder will oversee the collection, processing and storage of data and samples. The successful candidate will work closely with the support staff and the research team to ensure that all the requirements for the study are in place, necessary regulatory and ethics approvals are obtained and the clinical study meets the governance criteria. The Theme Coordinator and Facilitator for NIHR Database will be responsible for preparing and presenting status reports as well as preparing regular updates and promotional materials for all stakeholders.

Candidates should have experience in using databases, be knowledgeable in research theory and practice and competent in data organisation. The successful applicant should be educated to masters level in a relevant discipline or have equivalent knowledge and experience. Excellent interpersonal and organisational skills are essential to this post. GCP training and knowledge of NIHR landscape and rare disease initiatives would be an advantage.

This position is full-time, fixed-term for 12 months.

Please quote ref 130886 on all correspondence. You will be required to upload a CV and supporting statement as part of your online application.

Only applications received before 12.00 midday on 6 October 2017 can be considered. Interviews will be held on 17 October 2017.

VACANCIES IN THE DEPARTMENT



RESEARCH ASSISTANT IN FUNCTIONAL GENOMICS

Grade 7: £31,604 - £38,833 p.a.

We are seeking an enthusiastic postdoctoral research assistant in Functional Genomics to work within a vibrant research team headed by Professor R Thakker, FRS at the Oxford Centre for Diabetes Endocrinology and Metabolism (OCDEM), at the University of Oxford Churchill Hospital site.

The successful applicant will join an interdisciplinary team from the Thakker laboratory investigating the mechanisms of G-protein coupled receptor (GPCR) signalling that involve the calcium-sensing receptor, and their aetiology in human disorders of calcium and glucose metabolism.

The postholder will have responsibility for designing and implementing projects to define the molecular mechanisms for calcium-sensing receptor, a GPCR, dysfunction using a range of human, in vitro and in vivo preclinical models.

Candidates should have a PhD in molecular biology, human genetics, biochemistry or a closely related field or be close to obtaining one. Relevant laboratory experience in genetics, mammalian cell culture, complex molecular cloning, transfection of mammalian cells, siRNA knockdown and over-expression in mammalian cell lines is essential for this post. Experience studying pre-clinical models would be an advantage.

The position is full-time, fixed-term until 30 September 2020 in the first instance and funded by the Wellcome Trust.

Please quote ref. 130982 on all correspondence. You will be required to upload a CV and supporting statement as part of your online application.

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VACANCIES IN THE DEPARTMENT



RESEARCH FACILITATOR - OXFORD METABOLIC HEALTH

Grade 8: £39,992 - £47,722 p.a. (pro rata for part-time)

THIS IS A READVERTISEMENT. PREVIOUS APPLICANTS NEED NOT APPLY.

We are seeking a Research Facilitator to support the coordination and promotion of metabolic research across the University of Oxford, as part of Oxford Metabolic Health (OMH). OMH brings together researchers from multiple University departments to enable strategic integration of research activities in metabolism, diabetes and obesity.

The postholder will provide critical administrative and scientific support for OMH. Responsibilities will be varied and range from strategic input into research direction, liaison with the internal and external scientific community, support for recruitment efforts and funding applications, coordination of meetings and workshops, and development of a website.

The postholder should have a thorough understanding of the full cycle of research funding, and experience of project management in academic and/or industrial settings. A scientific background is essential, and experience of metabolic research would be beneficial. Candidates should have extremely strong communication and organisational skills.

The position is full-time however, part-time work at a minimum of 0.60 FTE would be considered. This post is funded for 2.5 years by the John Fell Fund.

Appointment of suitable candidates at Grade 7 (£31,604 - £38,833 p.a., pro rata for part-time) may be possible with some amendment to the job specifications.

Please quote 130924 on all correspondence. You will be required to upload a CV and supporting statement as part of your online application.

Only applications received before 12.00 midday on 13 October 2017 can be considered.

VACANCIES IN THE DEPARTMENT



POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH ASSISTANT IN FUNCTIONAL GENOMICS

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CLINICAL TRIAL MANAGER

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The Diabetes Trials Unit (DTU) forms a key part of the Oxford Centre for Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolism within the Radcliffe Department of Medicine. The Unit designs, runs and analyses early-phase translational research studies, as well as large-scale multinational clinical outcome trials.

The DTU is looking to expand its Trial Management capabilities with an exciting opportunity for an individual wanting to develop their existing knowledge of clinical trials. Working primarily on early phase, academically led trials run by the Unit's Translational Research Group (TRG) you will provide crucial support to the TRG Project Manager. You will be responsible for; preparing regulatory and ethical submission documents, for planning and co-ordinating your assigned trial(s) throughout their life cycle to ensure successful delivery and to closely monitor progress against key performance indicators. Candidates must have proven clinical trial management experience and excellent organisation and communication skills. They will have experience of working collaboratively and be able to work independently and think analytically. The postholder will also hold a degree.

This is a full-time post, fixed-term for 2 years the first instance. Requests for an informal discussion should be sent to: joanne.milton@dtu.ox.ac.uk.

Please quote vacancy number 131037 in all correspondence.

Only applications received before 12.00 midday on 27 September 2017 can be considered. Interviews are scheduled for 11 October 2017.

Women of Achievement

The Oxford Diversity Lectures 2016–17

The Oxford Women of Achievement lecture series showcases and celebrates women's achievement and leadership across a wide range of sectors.

Event 5

2 October 2017 at 5.30pm

Helen Clark,

The 37th Prime Minister of New Zealand
and former Administrator of the
United Nations Development Programme

Weston Library Lecture Theatre,
Broad Street, Oxford OX1 3BG

The event will be followed by a drinks reception.

Free - All welcome. Booking required.

For more information and to register please visit

www.ox.ac.uk/news-and-events/women-of-achievement

WA Women of
Achievement



Parent/Carers Group

Next session

Thursday 5 October 2017 at 10.00am

Do you have questions or want to share information/experiences with fellow parents/carers?

The parent/carers group is a useful way for staff to share tips and advice. All staff are welcome to attend.

**10:00am
Large Seminar Room**

To sign up contact
charlotte.kelly@ocdem.ox.ac.uk



The Heat is on!



Take part in exciting new research on Brown Fat Tissue

- a new target for obesity treatment

This study takes less than 2 hours and is conducted at
OCDEM, Churchill Hospital.

Please contact research nurse Jane Cheeseman (jane.cheeseman@ocdem.ox.ac.uk) or
phone 01865 857288

Maia Patrik-Smith the FHS student in MRG is looking for recruits for the cold room study. She is looking for 10-15 healthy volunteers, ideally aged between 25-45. The study visit lasts between 2-3 hours, only one visit is required and there is a payment of £30 for the session.

email Maia directly at maia.patrick-smith@pmb.ox.ac.uk should you like to take part.



OLD ROAD/CHURCHILL DRIVE/NOC

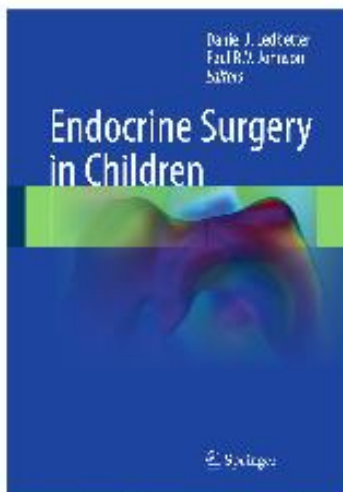
As you may know, Oxfordshire County Council's *Access to Headington* roadworks are now underway on Old Road. The contractors have asked that, if you get regular deliveries in large vehicles to the Churchill or NOC sites, could you please ask your suppliers to use Roosevelt Drive for the Churchill and, if possible, Windmill Road for the NOC. This is because, although there is access to both sites from Old Road, large trucks are finding it difficult to manoeuvre around the work, which is causing delays on Old Road.

I appreciate that suppliers often outsource deliveries to third party logistics companies so it might be hard to get the message to the drivers but, as this work will run until December, it would be worth their while to do this.

ACCESS TO HEADINGTON ROADWORKS OUTSIDE THE JR – COME AND SEE THE PLANS

The County Council's *Access to Headington* team will be at the John Radcliffe Hospital (by the League of Friends Café on Level 2) on **Tuesday, 26 September from 08.30 – 10.00**. Please come and talk to them and Trust staff about the works plan and timetable, traffic management, and its potential impact on you and your patients. At a similar event two weeks ago, there were a lot of helpful suggestions and comments which the *Access to Headington* team and Trust staff are now looking into and will report back on later in the year.

If you cannot come to this event, you can see the plans on the *Access to Headington* website: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/accessheadington



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D. Ledbetter, P. Johnson (Eds.)

Endocrine Surgery in Children

- Provides in-depth practical advice on how to manage children with endocrine conditions that may benefit from surgery
- More detailed than general pediatric surgery texts and more surgically oriented than endocrinology texts
- Will serve as an invaluable reference for pediatricians, pediatric surgeons, endocrinologists, and endocrine surgeons, and their trainees
- Compares North American and European approaches

This book provides in-depth practical advice on how to manage children with endocrine conditions that may benefit from surgery. It is more detailed than general pediatric surgery texts and more surgically oriented than endocrinology texts. The first section is devoted to the thyroid and parathyroid, with detailed discussion of thyroid nodules, thyroid cancer, hyperthyroidism, hyperparathyroidism, and multiple endocrine neoplasia. The second section on the pancreas focuses on nesidioblastosis, islet cell transplantation, the surgical treatment of diabetes, and surgical complications of diabetes. Adrenal disorders, including neuroblastoma, pheochromocytoma, and adrenal masses, are then discussed, followed by a section on the evaluation and management of ovarian and testicular torsion and tumors. The closing section addresses miscellaneous topics such as gynecomastia in boys and growth restriction surgery. This book will serve as an invaluable reference for all practitioners and trainees who care for children with endocrine problems for which surgery is considered.



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