

Faculty of Medicine

Chair, Department of Cellular and Molecular Medicine

The University of Ottawa and its Faculty of Medicine (FoM) invite applications for a dynamic academic leader as Chair of the **Department of Cellular and Molecular Medicine** (CMM). The University of Ottawa is the first and the largest Canadian bilingual institution of higher learning and research. The university ranks #2 among Medical/Doctoral institutions in Canada for research intensity for grants obtained from NSERC¹ and CIHR², with the FoM obtaining over \$230 million of research funding in 2022.

CMM is a research-intensive, vibrant and interdisciplinary department consisting of 51 full-time professors (including 7 **Canada Research Chairs**) and 12 Emeritus Professors. The department is located within the Ottawa Health Sciences Centre, a campus that includes The Ottawa Hospital and The Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario. Through its 70 cross-appointed and adjunct professors, the department has strong research affiliations and collaborations with affiliated hospitals³, research institutes⁴, as well as government agencies⁵ and private industry. The department is highly successful in the acquisition of research funding with national and international funding organizations and has support from state of the art facilities including 14 cutting-edge **core facilities**.

The department of CMM is highly committed also to excellence and innovation in education with nationally recognized professors with expertise in this field. The CMM Professors make significant contributions to the Faculty of Medicine top quality programs in Undergraduate Medical Education and **Translational and Molecular Medicine**. The department is also home to two interdisciplinary **graduate programs** in CMM and Neuroscience, with close to 300 trainees within the graduate (MSc, PhD, MD/PhD) and postdoctoral/residency programs. Finally, through its varied educational and research initiatives, the department of CMM and the Faculty of Medicine have established a strong presence on the international scene with formal partnerships with institutions around the world.

Ottawa is the nation's capital and the fourth largest urban region in Canada with a population of just over 1.3 million. The City of Ottawa is located on the unceded territory of the Algonquin people, and it is clean and green, with parks and beaches along the three major rivers and historic canal that is a highlight of the city and region. As well, the Gatineau hills in Quebec are visible just across the Ottawa River and offer a protected natural setting for many family-oriented recreational activities. Ottawa is the largest city in Canada with both English and French as co-official languages and is enriched by a growing immigrant population. Ottawa continually ranks among the safest cities to live in Canada and the quality of living ranked 3rd highest of any large city in North America, and 19th in the world in 2019.

¹Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada,

²Canadian Institutes of Health Research

³Bruyère Continuing Care, CHEO, Hôpital Montfort, The Ottawa Hospital, The Royal Ottawa Mental Care Group.

⁴CHEO Research Institute, Bruyère Research Institute, Institut du Savoir Montfort, Ottawa Hospital Research Institute, University of Ottawa Heart Institute, University of Ottawa Institute of Mental Health Research.

⁵Canadian Red Cross, Health Canada, National Research Council Canada, Ottawa Public Health, Public Health Agency of Canada.

The University of Ottawa is committed to ensuring equity, diversity and inclusion (EDI) in the scholarly and leadership environments of our students, staff, and faculty. Accordingly, we strongly encourage applications from Indigenous persons, visible minorities members (racialized persons), persons with disabilities, women, as well as from all qualified candidates with the skills and knowledge to productively engage with equitable, diverse and inclusive communities. According to government policy, all qualified candidates are invited to apply; however, preference will be given to Canadians and permanent residents. When submitting your application, please indicate if you are legally entitled to work in Canada. The University of Ottawa provides accommodations for applicants with disabilities throughout the recruitment process. If you are invited to proceed in the selection process, please notify us of any accommodations that you require by contacting the Office of the Vice-Provost, Faculty Relations at 613-562-5958. Any information you send us will be handled respectfully and in complete confidence. The University of Ottawa is proud of its 160-year tradition of bilingualism. Through its Official Languages and Bilingualism Institute, the University provides training to staff members and to their spouses in their second official language.

In alignment with the Faculty's and University's priorities, the Chair of CMM is responsible for setting the strategic direction of the department and overseeing all of its operational aspects. More specifically, the Chair is responsible for:

- i) the development and delivery of undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate curricula;
- ii) creating a diverse, equitable, inclusive and supportive environment for learning, engagement and research;
- iii) promoting and supporting the involvement of its members in scholarly work, research, education and creative activities;
- iv) stewardship of the human and financial resources of the department;
- v) representing the department within the Faculty and University; and
- vi) liaising with the professional and the local community outside of the University.

The successful candidate must meet the following qualifications:

- PhD or MD/PhD degree, with an internationally recognized track record in research in one or more disciplines relevant to CMM;
- Demonstrates a strong vision for the recruitment, development, and mentoring of diverse faculty to help achieve their full potential;
- Is committed to fostering a collaborative and inclusive environment conducive to research and teaching excellence in partnership with other Departments, Faculties, hospitals and research institutes at the University;
- Demonstrates an excellent understanding of the Faculty of Medicine programs, as well as its "**Leading Innovation for a Healthier World**" **strategic plan**;
- Excellent interpersonal, organizational, communication and mobilizing leadership skills;
- Eligible for appointment at the academic rank of Associate or Full Professor;
- Fluency in English or French (the university's official languages) and working knowledge of the other is required. Bilingualism will be considered as an asset.

Applications along with a cover letter, curriculum vitae and the names of three references, or suggestions for nominations, should be sent no later than March 27, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. to:
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