Wallenberg Center for Molecular Medicine at Lund University February 16, 2016

Invitation to submit Letter of intent (LOI) - deadline 2016-03-21, 24.00

Dear researcher at Lund University and Region Skåne;

The Medical Faculty at Lund University received a large grant from the Knut and Alice Wallenberg Foundation in February 2015.

The grant, together with equally significant contributions from Region Skåne and the Faculty of Medicine, has enabled the establishment of the Wallenberg Center for Molecular Medicine at Lund University, WCMM LU.

Please visit the web page http://www.med.lu.se/wcmm for more detailed information about the centre, grant, career packages, specialisation, organisation etc. The ambition is to create a number of research environments, constituting one research package of a 100% academic career position, primarily intended as an associate senior lecturer (BUL) position, together with a 50% clinical researcher. As mentioned on the web page referred to above, the program intends to put in place conditions for world-leading molecular and translational research, hence candidates for the academic positions encompassed by the program must be of the highest international excellence and with significant international experience.

Furthermore, we strongly envision an ideal scenario with a translational platform on which basic and clinical researchers work together with a common research question from the lab bench into clinical care.

Following a Letter-of-intent procedure, we in late autumn 2015 opened the first two associate senior lecturer job announcements within the program in Molecular Medicine:

1) Regeneration and repair in the nervous system, and
2) Molecular Medicine: Regeneration and repair in the cardiovascular system.

Representatives from the selected LoI environments were invited to start a recruitment process supported by the WCMM. This resulted in applications from several excellent candidates, in total 27 (nervous system), and 20 (cardiovascular). Evaluation of the candidates is ongoing.

We now announce the “second round” for two new academic positions and we invite research groups to submit a Letter of intent, describing a proposal for a research field
adequate within the “Specialisation at Lund University” (see homepage). Details about what is required in this LoI can be found below.

Two hearings with Questions and Answers about the LOI, to which you are all invited are planned:

Lund: Tuesday, March 1, 15.00 – 16.30, SEGERFALK LECTURE HALL, BMC A1005
Malmö: March 3, 15.00 – 16.30, CRC SEMINAR ROOM 7 (CRC 93-10-007)

We invite research environments to make an LOI submission and to participate in any of the hearings, and we hope for your support in making the center a success! We want to inform you that we expect an active collaboration with researchers representing the chosen environments in the recruitment process.

On behalf of the local steering committee
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR LETTER OF INTENT

Wallenberg Center for Molecular Medicine at Lund University - specialisations

Deadline for submission: March 21, 2016 24.00

Submit the LOI via email to the WCMM/LBIC administrator: Jenny.mansson@med.lu.se

General Information:

LOI contents:

The LOI must not exceed 5 pages in length, including references (font: Times New Roman 12). The LOI must contain the following topics:

- Propose the research field in Regenerative Medicine, congruent with the description in “Specialisation at Lund University”. Please, note that even if your proposal does not fit into the topics given at the homepage, a motivated research field proposal within the general field of regenerative medicine will not be disregarded.

- Describe the research environment, and the senior researchers active in it, where the recruited researcher(s) will work. This description should encompass experimental as well as clinical environments.

- Describe the underlying clinical question and explain how translational research is planned.

- Describe how the experimental and the clinical environments are, or can become, integrated.

- Describe which infrastructure(s) that is/are available in the proposed research field. Please, note that this call does not include funds for additional infrastructure.

- Describe your view on the importance of your proposal for the Medical Faculty, the Region and their future.

- Name and present potential candidates for the “career package” and the clinical position.

- Short CVs (maximum 2 pages/candidate) for such proposed candidates may be included outside the 5 pages of text. At this time, we do not require that you contact possible applicants.