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Position Announcement: Postdoctoral Research Fellow

The Department of Nutrition & Integrative Physiology and the Molecular Medicine (U2M2) Program at the University of Utah invite applications for a Postdoctoral Research Fellow to join the laboratory of Dr. Katsu Funai.

We seek candidates with a Ph.D. in a variety of disciplines across biomedical sciences with an interest to pursue metabolic underpinning of diseases. The successful candidate will contribute to an NIDDK-funded research project on skeletal muscle metabolism after weight loss, while having substantial opportunities to develop independent research directions. The PI is highly committed and invested in helping fellows develop their own research programs, exemplified by successful NIH F31, F32, K99/R00, and K01 applications as well as fellowships from private foundations. The fellow will be encouraged to leverage the extensive resources at the University of Utah to establish an independent line of work that complements the laboratory's broader research, which includes grant portfolio from NIDDK, NIA, NIGMS, and NCI.

The Funai lab is located on the 3rd floor of the Eccles Institute of Human Genetics alongside dozens of other laboratories from the Department of Nutrition & Integrative Physiology and the U2M2 Program. The fellow will have access to a number of career development activities through the Utah Center for Metabolic Health (CMH), one of the university's strategic research initiatives. CMH bring together more than 100 laboratories across multiple departments and offers seminars, workshops, symposia, interest groups, pilot funding programs, and relevant NIH T32 opportunities.

The position is available starting April 1, 2027. Interested candidates should submit their curriculum vitae with a description of their research interests to:

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