

## **Sung Wan Kim Endowed Chair in Drug and Gene Delivery**

The University of Utah College of Pharmacy seeks excellent, diverse applicants for the Sung Wan Kim Chair in Drug and Gene Delivery in the Department of Pharmaceutics and Pharmaceutical Chemistry at the Associate Professor or Full Professor level.

The Sung Wan Kim Chair in Drug and Gene Delivery is supported by an endowment honoring Dr. Sung Wan Kim, a pioneer in drug delivery and biomaterials research who was Distinguished Professor of Pharmaceutics and Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Distinguished Professor of Biomedical Engineering until his untimely passing in 2020. Dr. Kim's intent for the endowment was to support a leader in drug and gene delivery. Eligible candidates will have a Ph.D. and/or M.D., with a sustained record of peer reviewed funding, distinguished international reputation, and a substantial research and publication record in any of the following fields – drug and gene delivery, nanomedicine, gene therapy, molecular imaging and theranostics, biomedical engineering, immunology, cell biology, chemistry, biochemistry, or related fields. Opportunities exist for the successful candidates to align research areas with campus-wide initiatives such as immunology, inflammation and infectious diseases, diabetes and metabolism, neuroscience, genomic medicine, chemical biology, and cancer. The Department and the University of Utah offer unparalleled opportunities for interdisciplinary collaborations and actively encourage translational research with clinicians and scientists in the Health Sciences Center and the Huntsman Cancer Institute. Candidates must also be committed to teaching excellence in subjects relevant to both graduate (PhD) and professional (PharmD) programs in the College of Pharmacy.

The award of the Sung Wan Kim Chair in Drug and Gene Delivery will be made upon the recommendation of the Chair of the Department of Pharmaceutics and Pharmaceutical Chemistry and a search committee of the Department (Chair: Dr. Kopeček; Members: Drs. Goel, Lim, Mauger, and Yu).

Housed in the state-of-the-art Skaggs Research Institute, the Department of Pharmaceutics and Pharmaceutical Chemistry is one of the most recognized departments of its type, with highly accomplished faculty in drug delivery research and education and with a history of significant extramural funding and scholarly output. The Department contributes significantly to the reputation of the University of Utah, which has been recognized as a member of the Association of American Universities. The Department is home to internationally recognized centers, including the Center for Controlled Chemical Delivery, Center for Cell Sheet Tissue Engineering, and Utah Center for Nanomedicine, and has strong ties with the Department of Biomedical Engineering with many faculty cross-listed. Notably, the Department makes important contributions to economic development and patient health through leading edge innovations that result in new technologies and patents. More information about the Department can be found at <https://pharmacy.utah.edu/pharmaceutics/>.

Salt Lake City offers an exceptional quality of life with plenty of opportunities for outdoor and cultural recreation. As Utah's flagship institution, the University of Utah is increasingly recognized nationally and internationally for its cutting-edge research and quality of educational programs. The University serves over 31,000 students across the U.S. and the world. The University of Utah Health Care system was ranked #1 in quality among

academic medical centers nationally (Vizient Quality and Accountability Study) and is ranked second nationally for creating start-up companies from university research. The College continues to be a leader in research, currently ranked #8 in grants from the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Applications will be reviewed as soon as they are complete. For fullest consideration, interested applicants should submit their cover letter, curriculum vitae, teaching, research, and commitment statements and a list of names with contact information for at least three references not affiliated with the University of Utah by December 1, 2021 at: <https://utah.peopleadmin.com/postings/121866>.

Inquiries may be directed to the Chair of the Search Committee, Jindřich Kopeček, D.Sc., Distinguished Professor of Pharmaceutics and Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Distinguished Professor of Biomedical Engineering at [jindrich.kopecek@utah.edu](mailto:jindrich.kopecek@utah.edu).

The University of Utah Health (U of U Health) is a patient focused center distinguished by collaboration, excellence, leadership, and respect. The U of U Health values candidates who are committed to fostering and furthering the culture of compassion, collaboration, innovation, accountability, diversity, integrity, quality, and trust that is integral to our mission.

*The University of Utah values candidates who have experience working in settings with students, staff, faculty and patients from diverse backgrounds and possess a strong commitment to improving access to higher education, employment opportunities, and quality healthcare for historically underrepresented groups.*

*Individuals from historically underrepresented groups, such as minorities, women, qualified persons with disabilities and protected veterans are encouraged to apply. Veterans' preference is extended to qualified applicants, upon request and consistent with University policy and Utah state law. Upon request, reasonable accommodations in the application process will be provided to individuals with disabilities.*

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