

The University of California Davis School of Medicine seeks a new Chair for the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine.

The UC Davis School of Medicine is consistently ranked by U.S. News & World Report among the top schools in the nation for training and research. The school boasts the top-ranked veterinary program in the country as well as a very highly ranked engineering program. The School of Medicine, according to the latest rankings published March 30, 2021, by U.S. News & World Report, is ranked No. 4 for diversity among its student body. For the last five years, the School of Medicine sustained its growth trajectory in NIH-funded grants for medical research, maintaining its ranking among the Top 30 U.S. NIH-funded institutions.

This recruitment in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine is a unique opportunity to join a top-ranked university and thriving academic department, both of which are renowned for their cutting-edge research, innovative educational opportunities, and commitment to translational and transdisciplinary science. The department typically ranks among the top 25 programs nationally according to the Blue Ridge Institute; the 28 faculty generate \$12M - \$15M in external awards annually.

The Chair of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine reports to the Dean of the School of Medicine.

KEY SELECTION CRITERIA

The next Chair will inherit an exceptional foundation for the inevitable transformation of the Department into one that is nationally ranked and recognized for leading edge research and education. The department boasts a strong array of competitive research programs including cancer cell biology, inflammation, immunology, neuro-oncology, experimental therapeutics, cancer chemoprevention, and cancer control and population sciences. The Chair will maintain and enhance the success that the department has experienced over the past decade while driving innovation in the basic and translational science more broadly.

The Chair must be a compelling leader whose passion for the educational and research missions energize the faculty, learners, and staff, focusing their efforts on a strategic vision of excellence in all missions. He/she must also be a competent and prudent steward of the Department, guiding it through what will almost certainly be uncharted territories of change in the scientific, healthcare, and social environment.

Importantly, the Chair must be viewed by all stakeholders as a strong advocate for balancing the research and educational missions. He/she will promote a culture of institutional stewardship and transparency, including commitment to improved business operations, efficient and effective use of space, and a willingness to re-align resources with evolving strategies.

Please submit any nominations or a current Curriculum Vitae along with a supporting cover letter of interest to: aaron.mitra@amhealthcare.com