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Dear Colleagues,

The Interdisciplinary Research Fellowship in NeuroAIDS (IRFN) still has slots available for a Fall 2020 start.

The IRFN is an NIMH-funded 2-year postdoctoral education program that aims to train the next generation of neuroHIV researchers. It is open to applicants who have completed a doctoral degree in a clinical or basic science discipline and do not yet have a faculty appointment. Applicants who are supported by a training grant (e.g., T-32) or are PI of a K award are not eligible.

Fellows are paired with research mentors and are offered a series of didactic experiences with the goals of exposing them to the state of the science in CNS complications of HIV and fostering their research career development.

Fellows are expected to be active members of their mentors’ labs and work toward developing research independence. Didactics are scheduled 1-2 times per month during the academic year. For now, we plan to offer our programming through distance learning. The IRFN is housed within UCSD’s HIV Neurobehavioral Research Program.

To support their participation, the program contributes $22,000 annually toward the Fellow’s salary and benefits, along with modest funds for research-related activities.

If you have fellows, residents, or (psychology) interns who may be interested in getting research experience in neuroHIV, we hope that you will let them know about this exciting opportunity.

To apply, candidates should send a cover letter stating their area of interest within neuroHIV along with their CV to any of the contacts below. Applications will be accepted until slots are filled. Please visit our website by clicking this link: [IRFN](#)

We appreciate your assistance with disseminating this information.

Sincerely,

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