

CHAIR

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MEDICINE

University of Rochester Medical Center, Rochester, NY

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry invites applications and nominations for the position of Chair in the Department of Environmental Medicine. This nationally-recognized basic science department includes 13 tenure-track faculty members, 5 research-appointed faculty members, and 19 jointly-appointed faculty members from other departments representing many disciplines. All enjoy close collaborations with many other departments and centers across the Medical Center and the broader University.

The department's 24-year history includes a strong track record of research contributions and extramural funding, consistently ranking as the best-funded basic science department in the School of Medicine & Dentistry. The department's mission is to advance understanding of the role played by environmental and occupational agents in human disease and dysfunction, so as to foster prevention, amelioration, and treatment of exposure-based health consequences. A key component of the Department is the Environmental Health Sciences Center (EHSC), sponsored by the NIEHS. Established in 1975, the EHSC emphasizes the study of "Environmental Agents as Modulators of Human Disease and Dysfunction," with the goal of discovering and describing the underlying mechanisms of action of toxic substances.

The Department also plays key leadership roles in education. The Department is home to the multidisciplinary toxicology program, providing state of the art graduate and postdoctoral training in the environmental health sciences and toxicology, ranking in the top five such programs in the U.S. As well, educational efforts span important links to the larger community. The innovative University of Rochester Life Sciences Learning Center offers a wide variety of unique, hands-on science education and outreach programs for students (elementary through high school), teachers, and the general community in the Rochester region. Departmental faculty also play key roles in the education of physician residents in preventive medicine and public health, a training program based in the Department of Public Health Sciences.

Two clinical programs are based in the Department. The Division of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (OEM) sees patients in three locations, offering a broad range of examinations and medical

surveillance programs. Finger Lakes Occupational Health Services are dedicated to the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of occupational injury and disease, and to meeting the needs of businesses and workers by helping reduce or prevent illness and injury in the workplace.

The University of Rochester Medical Center provides an outstanding environment for basic science as well as translational and clinical research, with its Shared Resource Laboratories, Clinical and Translational Science Institute, and top-quarter ranking in federal funding. Department faculty also benefit from the School's close proximity to and collaborations with the University River Campus, home to the School of Arts and Sciences (including a Department of Earth & Environmental Sciences, comprising over 15 faculty members and offering several degree programs including a B.A. in environmental studies and a B.S. in environmental science) and the Hajim School of Engineering and Applied Sciences (a highly ranked research and educational enterprise comprising over 90 faculty members). UR Medicine's clinical enterprise provides opportunities for clinical interactions, and is uniquely poised to create an innovative integrated health care delivery system serving a regional population of over two million people. The Rochester area enjoys economic stability and excellent cultural attractions, and is consistently rated one of the most livable cities in the U.S.

Candidates for this position must have a doctoral degree in a relevant field and must qualify for appointment as a tenured Professor at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry. Desirable candidates will have an academic career with a distinguished research and teaching record, including a demonstrated track record of leadership and management, mentorship, and collaboration. Experience with an Environmental Health Sciences Center and with NIEHS funding will be highly valued.

INQUIRIES / HOW TO APPLY

Inquiries should be addressed to the chair of the recruitment committee, Jeffrey M. Lyness, MD, Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, phone 585-275-6741 or email Jeffrey_Lyness@urmc.rochester.edu. Applicants should submit electronically a cover letter and complete curriculum vitae to Dr. Lyness, and also apply via the University Human Resources website at www.rochester.edu/jobopp (search for job posting #197127).

The University of Rochester has a strong commitment to principles of diversity and, in that spirit, actively encourages applications from groups underrepresented in higher education

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