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The Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences at McGill University is seeking to recruit an internationally recognized scientist with a strong track record in innovation and research leadership to direct a new program in “Lung Regenerative Medicine” that is supported by a prestigious CERC award. The CERC Program supports Canadian universities in their efforts to build upon Canada's reputation as a global leader in research and innovation through recruitment of world-leading researchers to Canada. CERC awards are amongst the most prestigious and generous available globally.

The CERC chair-holder will be mandated to build a multidisciplinary research team encompassing a diversity of lived experiences, identities, and career stages, with expertise in lung cellular and/or developmental biology and regenerative medicine. The goal of the CERC research program is to develop translational approaches for reconstituting lung structure and function in patients with severe lung disease. The chair-holder will be expected to accelerate translation of research results into improved health outcomes, while ensuring equitable access to the knowledge produced and to the social and health benefits that will flow from that knowledge.

The CERC chairholder will be based at the McGill University Health Centre. The program will benefit from a dynamic environment that involves strong collaborative links between current investigators working in lung disease pathogenesis, stem cell biology, organoids, bioengineering, genomics, and related areas from the Faculty of Medicine & Health Sciences, the Faculty of Science, several McGill Research Centres and technology platforms, and three McGill-affiliated hospitals.

The successful candidate is expected to:

- Possess a PhD and/or MD degree.
- Be qualified to hold an academic position at the rank of Full Professor or be an Associate Professor who is expected to be promoted to Full Professor within one or two years of the nomination. Applicants from outside academia should have a track record that will enable them to qualify for appointment at the level of Full Professor within 2 years.
- Have a record of scientific excellence in the areas of lung cellular homeostasis or development and regeneration, as demonstrated by a strong record of publications in internationally recognized scientific journals, success in obtaining funding from public and private sources, and prior leadership roles within large, interdisciplinary projects.
- Understand and personally champion equity, diversity and inclusion through the development of research relevant to marginalized communities, and the creation and coordination of teams in which members are from different backgrounds and areas of expertise.
- Have the skills to promote a shared vision that will engage and motivate diverse collaborators and stakeholders in support of the program.
- Demonstrate the ability to work well with internal and external partners and potential stakeholders, such as funding agencies, charities, patient advocacy groups, private companies, and the public.
- Participate in all aspects of McGill's academic mission, including teaching, supervision of graduate students, and service.

The CERC chair holder will be expected to contribute to a strong and innovative training program in lung biology and regenerative medicine at McGill. Successful candidates will possess the skills needed to recruit, teach, and mentor a diverse group of researchers and trainees, reflecting McGill's commitments to equity and diversity as set out in core institutional documents including McGill's [Equity, Diversity & Inclusion \(EDI\) Strategic Plan](#), [Taskforce on Indigenous Studies and Indigenous Education](#) and [Action Plan to Address Anti-Black Racism](#).

The appointment will be at the rank of Full Professor or Associate Professor. The successful applicant will be eligible for a tenure stream position.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. CERC guidelines state that researchers who are currently at another Canadian institution are eligible as candidates if there is demonstrable net benefit to the country in moving the researcher from one Canadian institution to another.

Application Process

The following supporting documents are required:

- Cover letter and curriculum vitae
- Statement of research interests
- Names and contact information of three referees

Enquiries can be directed to Dr. Mara Ludwig (mara.ludwig@mcgill.ca).

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McGill University is committed to equity and diversity within its community and values academic rigor and excellence. McGill further recognizes and fairly considers the impact of leaves (e.g., parental leaves, slowdowns due to illness or disability, COVID-19 impacts) that may contribute to career interruptions or slowdowns. Candidates are encouraged to signal any leave that affected productivity, or that may have had an effect on their career path. This information will be considered to ensure the equitable assessment of the candidate's record.

Rank:

Full or Associate Professor

Salary:

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Posting Period:

Please submit your application within 30 days of the publication of this advertisement.

McGill University hires on the basis of merit and is strongly committed to equity and diversity within its community. We welcome applications from racialized persons/visible minorities, women, Indigenous persons, persons with disabilities, ethnic minorities, and persons of minority sexual orientations and gender identities, as well as from all qualified candidates with the skills and knowledge to productively engage with diverse communities. McGill implements an employment equity program and encourages members of designated groups to self-identify. Persons with disabilities who anticipate needing accommodations for any part of the application process may contact, in confidence, accessibilityrequest.hr@mcgill.ca.



Located in one of the world's great multicultural and multilingual cities, McGill University is internationally recognized for its excellence as a leading institution of higher education and research. For nearly 200 years, through the work of dedicated people, McGill has been breaking ground in diverse fields and contributing solutions to some of the world's most significant issues. McGillians are proud to be part of a community that is both global and local. inspired by challenge and

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