

SCIENTIFIC LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES WITH THE NIH COMMON FUND

The NIH Common Fund supports programs that are expected to have a transformative impact on biomedical research as a whole (<http://commonfund.nih.gov>). Common Fund Programs are designed through broad community input to address challenges in many disease areas and/or opportunities where entirely new scientific paradigms may be possible. These programs support the development of technologies, tools, methods, and data sets that catalyze further research across the spectrum of the NIH mission. With an annual budget of >\$525 Million, the Common Fund is managed through the Office of Strategic Coordination (OSC), within the NIH Office of the Director, in partnership with NIH Institutes and Centers. Management of these programs requires broad scientific perspective, ability to lead complex scientific projects, and a desire to facilitate research across the community.

The OSC is currently recruiting scientists at the Associate Professor or Full Professor level for up to three positions to lead Common Fund programs in diverse scientific areas. Appointments will be established for two to four years with maintenance of faculty status at home institutions via the Intergovernmental Personnel Act (<http://oma1.od.nih.gov/manualchapters/person/2300-334-1/>). Scientists with strong leadership skills in any area of biomedical or behavioral research are encouraged to apply, but expertise in the following areas is especially encouraged:

- Biochemistry
- Neuroscience
- Physiology
- Human Genetics
- Persistence of Underrepresented Minorities in Research Careers

More information about the role of OSC Program Leaders may be found here:

<http://commonfund.nih.gov/sites/default/files//OSCPProgramLeader.pdf>. For questions or to apply, contact Dr. Elizabeth Wilder, Director of the Office of Strategic Coordination, NIH, at Elizabeth.Wilder@nih.gov

To apply, submit a CV and a cover letter which addresses the following:

- A statement of interest in the position, referencing specific Common Fund programs and/or those that are being planned (see <http://commonfund.nih.gov/planningactivities/overview-planning#activities>)
- A description of how your scientific experience and perspective has prepared you for this position
- Examples of leadership experience, particularly with research teams or consortia

Applications will be considered through July 31, 2014 or until the positions are filled.