

Post-doc Position Available

Postdoctoral position in the Rio lab, West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV

Mentor: Rita V.M. Rio

Collaborator: Brian Weiss (Yale Univ.)

Position summary: West Virginia University (WVU) is looking for a postdoctoral scholar in host-microbe interactions. The postdoc will be based in the lab of Dr. Rita Rio in the WVU Department of Biology on a NIH-NIAID funded project. Specifically, the work will involve integrating experimental, molecular, and next generation sequencing to examine how microbiota may condition phenotypic variation in vector competency. The postdoc will be encouraged to develop independent lines of research within the broader goals of the project.

Qualifications: The ideal candidate will be enthusiastic, motivated by experimental and analytical challenges, and proficient in both sequencing analyses and molecular microbiology techniques. Candidates should have a Ph.D. in microbiology (or related area), a publication record, and excellent command of verbal and written communication skills.

To apply: This position is available immediately. Funding is available for at least one year, with continuation contingent upon satisfactory progress in year one; applicants should express their ability to commit to the project for at least two years. Application materials should be emailed to Rita Rio at rita.rio@mail.wvu.edu and should include a **cover letter** (describing your interest in the position, work experience, and availability), **CV**, and **contact information** (name, email, phone number) for at least three references. Please include the word "Postdoc" in the subject line. Salary will be competitive and commensurate with experience and will include fringe benefits.

Informal inquiries about the position can be sent to Rita Rio at rita.rio@mail.wvu.edu.

West Virginia University encourages applications from under-represented groups, including minorities, women, and people with disabilities.