Postdoctoral Position Available  
in Gut Microbiome and Human Biology

The Laboratory for Human Biology Research in the Department of Anthropology, Northwestern University, is looking for a PhD-trained scholar to fill a post-doctoral position. The position will focus on the gut microbiome and its influence on host nutrition. The scholar would work primarily with Katie Amato, but extensive collaboration within the Laboratory for Human Biology Research, Northwestern University, and across institutions is expected. The position could start immediately, and funding is secured through June 30 of 2017. It may be possible to extend the position in some capacity although this is less certain.

Responsibilities include processing human and non-human primate fecal samples in the laboratory as well as analyzing previously-generated microbiome data, relevant non-microbiome data from long-term human studies, and literature focused on human development, metabolism and nutrition. A minimum of half-time is expected to be spent outside of the laboratory, and a portion of this time may be spent pursuing independent interests.

We are looking for a researcher with molecular wet laboratory experience, ideally in DNA extraction and PCR. The applicant should also be comfortable with the command line interface and possess strong statistical and bioinformatics skills. The applicant should be an effective writer and should be prepared to take advantage of opportunities as first author and co-author on publications.

To apply, please provide a CV, a brief statement describing research experience and interests (500 word maximum), and the names of three references to Katie Amato (katherine.amato@northwestern.edu).

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