The National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (https://www.niddk.nih.gov) is hiring an extramural Program Official to lead a research program focusing on systems biology, bioinformatics, computational biology and data science to advance scientific discovery in both normal biology and diseases of the alimentary gastrointestinal (GI) tract. The position will primarily focus on management of a portfolio of basic, translational and clinical research grants and cooperative agreements.

Openings will be within the extramural Division of Digestive Diseases and Nutrition (DDDN) (https://www.niddk.nih.gov/about-niddk/offices-divisions/division-digestive-diseases-nutrition)

The mission DDDN is to support broad-based research programs focused on digestive system biology, translational science and human subjects research that will improve the lives of people with numerous conditions of the alimentary GI tract, hepatobiliary system, exocrine pancreas as well as nutrition and obesity research within the mission of NIDDK. The Division supports a range of award mechanisms including multiple research project grant mechanisms, large complex studies and cooperative agreements. In addition, the Division supports very active fellowship, career development and small business programs. The program official will work collaboratively with a team of program officials in other disciplines in the Division to carry out this broad mission.

Examples of areas of interest for this position include **systems biology and computational approaches** in:

- Immune and inflammatory disorders such as inflammatory bowel diseases and celiac disease.
- Functional gastrointestinal and motility disorders such as irritable bowel syndrome and gastroparesis.
- Pre-neoplastic syndromes such as Barrett’s esophagus and colitis associated dysplasia.
- Developmental and structural disorders
- Interaction of the host microbiome, nutrients and host factors

Applicants should have a Ph.D. or equivalent degree and training and research experience in one or more of the areas listed above. Familiarity with NIH extramural funding as an applicant, reviewer, or NIH scientific administrator is a plus, and outstanding written and oral communication skills are essential.

Announcement Details:

The full-time position is based in Bethesda, Maryland, as a Health Scientist Administrator (HSA) (GS12-14). An advertisement is expected to be included on www.usajobs.gov on January 18, 2023.

For more information about federal employment, see https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/. This announcement will be for a career position with the US government and will require the applicant be a US citizen. The position will be subject to a background investigation. Educational qualifications verified by official transcripts and submission of a Confidential Financial Disclosure (OGE Form 450) will be required. All applicants will receive consideration without regard to ethnicity, gender, national origin, age, religion, disability, or sexual orientation. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), NIH, and NIDDK are equal opportunity employers committed to equity, diversity, and inclusion.

For more information on the position, please send a one page letter of interest and CV to: Dr. Stephen James: stephen.james@nih.gov OR Dr. David Saslowsky: David.Saslowsky@nih.gov.