Program Director/Microbiologist

The National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (https://www.niddk.nih.gov) is hiring a scientist to serve as an extramural program official for research focusing on the gut microbiome and microbial pathogenesis in diseases of the digestive system. Openings will be within the extramural Division of Digestive Diseases and Nutrition (DDDN).

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, liver, exocrine pancreas as well as closely related nutrition and obesity research within the mission of NIDDK. The Division supports a range of award mechanisms including fellowship and career development, multiple research project grant mechanisms and large complex studies and cooperative agreements. The program official will work collaboratively with a team of program officials in other disciplines to carry out this mission.

Examples of areas of interest for this position include, but are not limited to the role of microbes and the gut microbiome 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.
- Microbiome related approaches to treating gastrointestinal diseases and microbial therapeutics.
- Chronic liver diseases such as non-alcoholic steatohepatitis and cirrhosis.
- Chronic pancreatitis
- Obesity

Applicants should have a Ph.D. or equivalent degree and training and research experience in microbiology 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.

To Apply:
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For more information on the position, contact: Dr. Stephen James: jamess@extra.niddk.nih.gov OR Dr. David Saslowsky: David.Saslowsky@nih.gov.

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