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Dear Dr. Waxman:

At the University of Wisconsin we have an outstanding opportunity for post-residency fellowship training in ophthalmic pathology. The fellowship combines diagnostic eye pathology with basic science research. The length of the fellowship is one year.

I am the principal teacher and mentor for the fellowship program, and devote full time to elimical and experimental pathology-related activities. Dr. Heather Potter, a fully trained and experienced ophthalmic pathologist, works with me also. Dr. T. Michael Nork, a professor of Surgical Retina & Vitreous and trained in retinal pathology, also participates in the laboratory. We also work closely with several outstanding members of the UW Surgical Pathology Service.

Fellows are responsible for the gross examination of specimens. Slides are read with me or Dr. Potter and the fellow on a daily basis. In addition to handling the pathology generated here in Madison, we also receive specimens from the practices and clinics in the Midwest and beyond and participate in clinical trials related to retinoblastoma and melanoma.

Fellows participate in teaching residents on the service and medical students on elective. Our pathology laboratory works closely with the Eye Plastic Service and also interacts with the retina, cornea, pediatrics, glaucoma, and neuro-ophthalmology services. We offer:

One year post residency fellowship which requires candidates be board eligible: satisfactory completion of an accredited internship and ophthalmology residency program in the US or Canada; be able to obtain an unrestricted medical license in the state of Wisconsin. Funding for this position is provided by the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences at the PGY5 salary rate. Applicants are encouraged to seek supplementary funding through various agencies, i.e., Heed Foundation.

Fellows participate in experimental eye pathology research, learning translational and basic science techniques including immunohistochemistry, electron microscopy, and molecular genetics. Fellows are also given the opportunity to work in collaboration with faculty on 3-7 presentations and /or publications during their fellowship training. The list of fellows we have trained who are pursuing successful academic careers is substantial and available on request.

We are now accepting applications for the fellowship position starting July, 2013. The application deadline is January 1, 2013. If you know of anyone who would be interested in applying or finding out more information, please ask them to call (608) 262-9092 or send e-mail with a CV and three letters of reference to dalbert@wise.edu.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and kind regards.

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