

## PhD OR POSTDOC ON BIOINFORMATICS FOR EPIGENOMICS

#### Job description:

A position is available for a highly motivated **student or PhD** that wishes to join the Laboratory of Cancer Epigenetics headed by **Prof. François Fuks** (ULB-Cancer Research Center, Brussels). The research goal will be the analysis of transcriptomic and epigenomic changes (e.g. DNA methylation, histone modifications) that arise in cancers. Particularly the analysis of next generation sequencing data concerning a novel epigenetic modification, which our lab recently investigated, will also be one of the main challenging tasks of the candidate (Delatte et al., *Science* **2016**). He/she will also participate in several side projects with high impact factor publication potentials.

## **Working environment:**

The host lab is running a Next Generation Sequencing platform: *EPICS* (<a href="http://epics.ulb.be/">http://epics.ulb.be/</a>) and is part of the ULB-Cancer Research Center (U-CRC), providing a high profile scientific environment. The candidate will join other experienced bioinformaticians working on transcriptomics and epigenomics, and in particular he/she will work closely with the group of **Dr. Matthieu Defrance at the "Interuniversity Institute of Bioinformatics in Brussels"** (<a href="http://ibsquare.be">http://ibsquare.be</a>).

# **Profile/Starting date:**

The candidate should hold a master (for the PhD position) or a PhD (for the postdoc position) in bioinformatics, bio-engineering, biomedical sciences or eventually in engineering or computer sciences and demonstrate proficiency in statistics and programming (e.g. R, python). Experience with sequence data, genome-wide data sets (e.g. ChIP-Seq, RNA-Seq ...) or massive datasets analysis will be assets. The applicant should have good organizational skills, a taste for interdisciplinary research, excellent scientific writing and presenting skills and be able to work independently. The interaction with the biologists in the lab will be key for the success of this project and genuine interest for biology and clinical researches is required. A good biological background will be valuable. Both positions are funded for 2 years, with possible extension. Screening of applications begins immediately and continues until an outstanding candidate is selected (flexible starting date).

### How to apply?

Informal enquiries, a motivation letter, a CV (including grades and ranking for PhD applicant) and names of two referees should be sent to: Martin Bizet (mbizet@ulb.ac.be)

Lab website: <a href="http://www.ulb.ac.be/medecine/fukslab">http://www.ulb.ac.be/medecine/fukslab</a>

Lab NGS platform: http://epics.ulb.be/

# **Selected publications:**

- Delatte et al. *Science* 2016
- Boumahdi et al. Nature 2014
- Deplus et al. Cell Rep. 2014
- Dedeurwaerder\*, Defrance\* et al. *Briefings in Bioinformatics* 2014
- Delatte et al. EMBO J. 2014
- Deplus et al. *EMBO J.* 2013
- Volkmar et al. *EMBO J.* 2012
- Dedeurwaerder et al. EMBO Mol Med. 2011
- Dedeurwaerder\*, Defrance\* et al.

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- Fuks F. Nature 2010
- Villa et al. Cancer Cell 2007
- Viré et al. Nature 2006