



BRENDEN-COLSON CENTER FOR PANCREATIC CARE

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Established in 2013, the **OHSU Brenden-Colson Center for Pancreatic Care (BCCPC)** is building a world-class pancreatic disease center, encompassing a strong basic and translational research program that will integrate with clinical care and trial development and have clinical impact. The Center brings together a multi-disciplinary team of accomplished clinicians (surgeons, oncologists, GI specialists, pathologists) and basic scientists with expertise in diverse fields including molecular genetics, cancer biology, biomedical engineering and computational biology, who lead complementary and integrated basic and translational research programs. Specific goals of the BCCPC include building a comprehensive, molecular and cellular understanding of pancreatic cancer from initiation through metastasis and response/resistance mechanisms to therapeutics in order to develop novel early detection tools, chemoprevention, and treatments; examining the role of cachexia in pancreatic cancer and developing therapeutic strategies for patients suffering from this lethal complication; and refining experimental models of pancreatic cancer, pancreatitis and other pancreas disease. Infrastructure supported by the BCCPC provides researchers with serial patient tissue and blood samples across treatment, and a custom database linking research and clinical data. The Center also supports clinical initiatives to help care for and treat patients with pancreatic disease (i.e., islet autotransplant, prehabilitation therapies). Through fully integrated clinical and research programs, the Center advances the search for new detection methods, moves promising and novel therapies into clinical trials and develops programs to enhance quality of life for pancreatic disease patients.



Position Highlights:

We seek a highly trained junior or mid-level faculty member who can rapidly build a highly impactful research program in pancreatic disease. This position is under the joint supervision of the Co-Directors of the Brenden-Colson Center for Pancreatic Care and the Chair of an appropriate academic Department at OHSU. The individual will have responsibilities for research, service, and teaching. He or she will be expected to foster an independent research career that provides valuable new knowledge in the pursuit of early detection and/or treatment of pancreatic disease. He or she will create and maintain a work environment that is respectful and accepting of diversity. The faculty member will also engage in operations and implementation work at OHSU to advance research and clinical practice systems and will participate in educational offerings as relevant to their expertise. New recruits will join a highly interactive and interdisciplinary group of faculty, scientists and trainees, and will enjoy access to state-of-the-art equipment and new facilities. The position is eligible for tenure.

Qualifications:

A Ph.D. or M.D. degree or both is required. The successful candidate will have a demonstrated track record of research leadership and publication, a currently funded grant/contract portfolio or the potential

to obtain grant funding, an interest in teaching, and the ability to engage and excel in a dynamic, collaborative, multidisciplinary research environment.

The ideal candidate will have

- Clinical and/or translational research experience; Strong experimental background in cellular and molecular biology; Ability to develop creative approaches to experimental design
- Proven success in collaboration with multidisciplinary teams; Experience leading complex or collaborative research projects; Commitment to team science in a diverse, multidisciplinary setting
- History of success in obtaining extramural funds for clinical trials and/or basic science research
- Demonstrated experience in writing and publishing high-impact science
- Outstanding English communication skills, both verbal and written; Cross-disciplinary communication skills, i.e., to effectively coordinate with clinicians, clinical trials team, immunology, imaging and pathology cores, and computational biology collaborators; Interpersonal awareness and the ability to be inclusive

Academic rank beyond Assistant Professor will be commensurate with experience and qualifications.

OHSU values a diverse and culturally competent workforce

OHSU's goal to be diverse in people and ideas is integrated into our institution's core values. OHSU recognizes that our services are enhanced by hiring people from diverse backgrounds. Diversity maximizes our true potential for creativity, innovation, quality patient care, educational excellence and outstanding service. We are proud of our commitment to being an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer that does not discriminate against applicants on the basis of any protected class status, including disability status and protected veteran status. Individuals with diverse backgrounds and those who promote diversity and a culture of inclusion are encouraged to apply.

To Apply

Please send letter of interest/qualifications with your CV to brendencolsoninfo@ohsu.edu. Please include full contact information.



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