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Dear [Mr./Ms./Dr. Applicant First & Last Name],

I am pleased to offer you employment with Oregon Health & Science University for the position of Postdoctoral Scholar with an annual salary of $XX,XXX (a bi-weekly salary of $X,XXX). Confirming our recent discussion, this appointment is a full-time position with a start date of [month] [date], [year]. This position is an “employment at will” position, which means that you or OHSU may end your employment at any time.

This offer is contingent upon acceptable results of a background check, satisfactory reference checks, eligibility to work in the United States, and if applicable, issuance of an appropriate temporary employment or exchange visitor visa.

You will be eligible to participate in OHSU’s medical, dental, vision, and life insurance benefits on the first of the month following your enrollment if you enroll within 31 days of your hire date. Eligible family members, including same-sex and opposite-sex spouses, may be enrolled in the plans as well. You will receive a monthly contribution from OHSU to purchase your benefits. Dependent upon your choices, you may have additional out of pocket expenses. OHSU’s benefits plans are cafeteria-style - if you are covered under another program and choose not to enroll in ours, you may opt-out to receive cash back for benefits dollars not used. Below, I briefly outline several OHSU benefits, which will be reviewed more fully with you during OHSU’s New Employee and New Postdoctoral Scholar Orientations:

1. *Medical, Dental, and Vision Insurance*: Several health plan options are available, including an OHSU PPO plan. Prescription plans are included with the medical plans. Three choices are available for dental plans; whereas two choices are available for vision plans. Postdoctoral Scholars also have access to the [JBT Health and Wellness Center](http://acmail.ohsu.edu/lt.php?c=8573&m=11264&nl=1682&s=d1470f11633214e6b609de7254a841ca&lid=122485&l=-http--www.ohsu.edu/xd/education/student-services/joseph-trainer-health-wellness-center/services/index.cfm) for primary and behavioral health care. No referrals, no co-pays, no deductible, and same day/next day appointments are available.
2. *Other Insurance*: Term Life Insurance (including dependent life), Short and Long Term Disability, Accidental Death and Dismemberment, and Long Term Care Insurance are available.
3. *Time-Off*: From the employment start date, Postdoctoral Scholars receive 80 hours of vacation, accrued annually thereafter. Also, Postdoctoral Scholars receive 96 hours of sick leave per year, accrued at 3.7 hours per biweekly pay period, and nine paid holidays per year. The department tracks all time-off accruals.
4. *Retirement*: You are eligible to participate in the OHSU 457(b) Postdoctoral Scholar Retirement Plan. The plan includes an annual program-sponsored contribution, equivalent to 3% of your earned salary.
5. *Parking*: Availability varies by location. For Marquam Hill and South Waterfront campuses, annual parking passes are available, but are subject to long waiting lists, which may exceed your employment at OHSU. For Postdoctoral Scholars, OHSU offers monthly parking passes for Garages D, E, and F at approximately $140 per month.
6. *Public Transportation*: The Aerial Tram and Portland Streetcar are free to individuals who display an active OHSU employee identification badge. In addition, annual Tri-Met passes are available to OHSU employees at a significant discount over retail passes.
7. *Office of Postdoctoral Affairs*: The central hub for all postdocs at OHSU, the [Office of Postdoctoral Affairs](http://www.ohsu.edu/postdocs) offers individual career advising, and conducts career training and professional development activities to prepare postdocs for any professional endeavor they wish to pursue.

XX, the XX team and I are excited that you have decided to join us, and we look forward to the contributions you will make. I know you will find the work we are doing in XX at OHSU to be rewarding and stimulating.

Please sign a copy of this letter and return it to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ within two weeks. If a signed copy of this letter is not returned to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ within two weeks, this offer will be considered rescinded. If you have any questions, please contact me at (503) XXX-XXXX.

Sincerely,

[Signature Block of PI, Department Admin, and/or Dept. Chair]

CC: Office of Postdoctoral Affairs

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I, [Applicant Name], hereby:

* Accept the position as a Postdoctoral Scholar.
* Decline the position as a Postdoctoral Scholar.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_