

PhD student/POST DOC position (Ref. 09/16)

One PhD student /post doc position is vacant at Akershus University College, starting from first quarter of 2010. The position is for three years, and the work will be performed at the Akershus University College, *Centre for controlled dietary intervention studies*, Faculty of health, Nutrition and Management and at the University of Oslo, Department of Nutrition.

Centre for controlled dietary intervention studies is focusing on how diets and nutrients are influencing health. We are especially interested in understanding how diets and nutrients regulate genes involved in the pathology of diseases. *Centre for controlled dietary intervention studies* is a partner in a Nordic Centre of Excellence: Systems biology in controlled dietary interventions and cohort studies – SYSDIET financed by Nordforsk. Twelve Nordic partners are involved in SYSDIET and Norwegian partners are Akershus University College and Nofima Mat.

Job description

This project focuses on how dietary factors in the Nordic diet can influence inflammation. The project requires a close collaboration between biology, biochemistry, medicine, epidemiology and other public health related disciplines. The candidate will take part in other on-going related projects at the *Centre for controlled dietary intervention studies*, and at the University of Oslo, Department of nutrition. The project is financed by NordForsk. The job tasks will include planning and performing dietary intervention studies, laboratory work including biochemistry or molecular biology analysis and statistical analysis.

Conditions

- The candidate must have a master degree in nutrition/clinical nutrition, biology, physiology, biochemistry or other related natural science or public health disciplines.
- Admission to a doctoral degree programme is a demand and the PhD candidate must fulfil formal qualifications requirements.
- An application for admission to the doctoral programme should be approved 3 months after the applicant is selected for the position.

Desired qualification

- Priority is given to applicants with experience with dietary intervention studies, dietary counselling, and with laboratory work (including cell culture, RNA isolation and quantification).
- Priority is given to applicants who can work focused and independently, collaborate with others and can contribute positively to a good working environment.

We offer

- Possibilities for professional innovation and progress in a expanding and exciting Norwegian and Nordic research network
- A good working environment

More information

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The salary for a PhD position will be in accordance with the Norwegian State salary scale, position code 1017, salary grade minimum 45 (355 600 NOK). The salary for a post doctor position will be in accordance with the Norwegian State salary scale, position code 1352, salary grade 57 – 67 (438 700-536 900 NOK) according to seniority. There will be a two percent deduction from the salary in accordance with the statutory provisions of the Norwegian Public Service Pension Fund.

The Norwegian State workforce shall, to a large degree, reflect the diversity of the population. Applicants from different ethnic backgrounds are encouraged to apply for the vacant position.

Send the application to: Associate professor Stine Marie Ulven, e-mail: StineMarie.Ulven@hiak.no

Deadline: 7th of November 2009.