

Job opportunity in Helsinki for a post-doctoral fellow with interest in obesity and/or microbiota research

The Folkhälsan Research Center, located in Helsinki, focuses on biomedical and health science research organized in three research programs, the Genetics Research Program, the Preventive Medicine Research Program, and the Public Health Research Program. The number of scientists and other personnel affiliated with the Center is approximately 200.

The Finnish Health in Teens study - Fin-HIT - a cohort study with 11 000 9-12 year olds - is studying prevalence, risk and protective factors associated with body size. We have on-going studies of potential associations between body size, epigenetic factors and microbiome.

We are now seeking **a post-doctoral fellow with research experience in obesity and/or microbiota related research**

The candidate will

- 1) contribute to the development, design and conduct of research projects
- 2) prepare and write grant applications
- 3) seek and develop research collaborations and networks
- 4) provide support to junior persons in their scientific work
- 5) prepare and write scientific manuscripts

Position requires

- PhD in epidemiology or genetic epidemiology
- Relevant research experience and track record in genetic epidemiology
- Excellent communication and writing skills in Finnish and English
- Proven ability to write scientific manuscripts

It is desirable that the candidate has

- a research interest in children's and adolescents' health, especially body size development
- experience in microbiota related research
- knowledge of biostatistics or bioinformatics
- knowledge in Swedish
- experience of managing simultaneously multiple projects/tasks

The position is full time. A three year contract, 2017-2019, is available for the position, with a possibility for extension pending successful review. The salary will depending on the credentials, previous experience and performance of the postdoctoral researcher. The position will be housed at the Folkhälsan Research Center in Biomedicum Helsinki.

For consideration, please send per e-mail **one single pdf** in English containing

- 1) A cover/motivation letter
- 2) Curriculum Vitae including complete list of scientific publications
- 3) Names and contact details of 3 references

Apply by November 16th to sabina.simola@helsinki.fi to whom questions also can be directed. Please, mark the e-mail with "Application". Applications received after November 16th may be considered in case no suitable candidate is identified by that date.