



**UNIVERSITY OF
CALGARY**

Professor and Canada Research Chair (Tier I) in Neurodevelopment, Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, Cumming School of Medicine

The University of Calgary Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology is inviting applications for a tenured faculty position in the field of Neurodevelopment, at the rank of Professor. The selected candidate will be nominated for a Canadian Institutes for Health Research (CIHR) Tier I Canada Research Chair (CRC). The CRC Chair is tenable for seven years and renewable once.

Applicants must have a PhD, be a Professor, with demonstrated research leadership and outstanding research productivity as demonstrated by excellent publications and demonstrated success in the acquisition of external research funding and awards. The applicant must also meet the criteria for a Canada Research Chair at the Tier I level. Further information about the Canada Research Chairs Program, including eligibility criteria, can be found on the Government of Canada's CRC website.

Applications are encouraged from developmental neurobiologists with a research focus on how stem cells build and maintain the brain, including how alterations in stem cell biology causes neurodevelopmental disorders. Also of interest is candidates interested in discovering genes and drugs that mobilize neural stem cells for repair. The successful candidate will be expected to conduct a vigorous, externally funded research program (for which 75% time will be protected). The candidate will join a vibrant, collaborative community of investigators focusing on developmental neuroscience. The candidate will contribute to teaching graduate topics in neural development and the supervision of graduate students.

This position is aligned with the Azrieli Accelerator at the University of Calgary, a \$25M gift from the Azrieli Foundation to catalyze neurodevelopment research across the lifespan, and in partnership with the Alberta Children's Hospital Research Institute (<https://research4kids.ucalgary.ca>), the Owerko Centre (<https://research4kids.ucalgary.ca/owerko>) and Hotchkiss Brain Institute (<https://hbi.ucalgary.ca/>). The Chairholder will join an established, multidisciplinary, and cross-faculty group of basic, translational, and clinical neuroscientists.

The University of Calgary, through the Cumming School of Medicine that is comprised of health research institutes and academic departments, seeks to recruit and retain a diverse and inclusive workforce that will contribute to creating the future of health. We are committed to fostering diversity through cultivating an environment where people with a variety of backgrounds, genders, interests, and talents feel welcome and supported.

The University recognizes that candidates have varying career paths and that career interruptions can be part of an excellent academic record. Candidates are encouraged but not required to provide any relevant information about their experience and/or career interruptions to allow for a fair assessment of

their application. Selection committees have been instructed to consider, and be sensitive to, the impact of career interruptions, when assessing the candidate's research productivity.

Interested individuals are encouraged to submit an application online via University of Calgary Careers webpage using the 'Apply Now' link. Please be aware that the application process allows for a maximum of four attachments. Your four application attachments should be organized to contain the following (you are encouraged to merge documents to reduce the number of attachments):

- Cover letter
- Curriculum vitae
- Research interest statement (not to exceed 2 pages)
- Teaching Dossier (not to exceed 2 pages)
- Equity, diversity and inclusion statement (not to exceed 2 pages)
- The names and contact information for three (3) referees

Questions about this position may be directed to:

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Closing Date: February 17, 2023

The University of Calgary has launched an institution-wide [Indigenous Strategy](#) in line with the foundational goals of [Eyes High](#), committing to creating a rich, vibrant, and culturally competent campus that welcomes and supports Indigenous Peoples, encourages Indigenous community partnerships, is inclusive of Indigenous perspectives in all that we do.

As an equitable and inclusive employer, the University of Calgary recognizes that a diverse staff/faculty benefits and enriches the work, learning and research experiences of the entire campus and greater community. We are committed to removing barriers that have been historically encountered by some people in our society. We strive to recruit individuals who will further enhance our diversity and will support their academic and professional success while they are here. In particular, we encourage members of the designated groups (women, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, members of visible/racialized minorities, and diverse sexual orientation and gender identities) to apply. To ensure a fair and equitable assessment, we offer accommodation at any stage during the recruitment process to applicants with disabilities. Questions regarding [diversity] EDI at UCalgary can be sent to the [Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion](#) (equity@ucalgary.ca) and requests for accommodations can be sent to Human Resources (hrhire@ucalgary.ca).

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. In this connection, at the time of your application, please answer the following question: Are you a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada? (Yes/No)

To learn more about academic opportunities at the University of Calgary and all we have to offer, view our [Academic Careers website](#). For more information visit [Careers in the Cumming School of Medicine](#).

The University strongly recommends all faculty and staff are fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

About the University of Calgary

Located in Canada's most enterprising city, the traditional territory of the peoples of Treaty 7 and Region 3 of the Métis Nation of Alberta, the University of Calgary (UCalgary) is a global and innovative intellectual hub for teaching and learning, research and scholarship, and community engagement. UCalgary ranks fifth among Canada's top research universities in Research Infosource Inc.'s latest Top 50 Research Universities list released on Jan. 25, 2022. UCalgary is the youngest university to have reached the top five.

UCalgary has more than 6,500 graduate students and 28,500 undergraduate students, more than 1,800 academic staff (continuing, contingent term or limited term appointment), more than 1,300 sessionals, and more than 3,200 non-academic staff, in 14 Faculties, across five campuses. The vibrant and research-intensive environment at UCalgary is home to 146 research chairs (75 Canada Research Chairs), and more than 50 research institutes and centres. UCalgary has the fastest growth rate in attracting research funding among the 10 largest universities in Canada.

The university's new Framework for Growth establishes principles and focus areas for the University of Calgary over the coming decade. It will ignite our entrepreneurial spirit to turn challenges into opportunities to improve the world around us. It will help to meet our academic and research ambitions and strengthen our community engagement in one of Canada's most diverse cities, whose exciting future is unfolding rapidly, and where scientific disciplines will play a major role. Built around three big ideas (transdisciplinary scholarship, integration with our community and future-focused program delivery), the Framework will distinguish the university and drive growth.

To learn more about this vision please see: <https://www.ucalgary.ca/president/growth>

About Calgary, Alberta

Calgary is one of the world's cleanest cities and has been named one of the world's most livable cities for years. Calgary is a city of leaders - in business, community, philanthropy and volunteerism. Calgarians benefit from a growing number of world-class dining and cultural events and enjoy more days of sunshine per year than any other major Canadian city. Calgary is less than an hour's drive from the majestic Rocky Mountains and boasts the most extensive urban pathway and bikeway network in North America.