

Postdoctoral Associate Viral Pathogenesis



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About the Role

The main role of the **Postdoctoral Associate** (**PDA**) is to contribute to the research program in the **Quiñones-Mateu Laboratory**, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine (PALM). The PDA will be using a multidisciplinary approach to study virus evolution, with coronaviruses as the first model, to generate broad antigen diversity aimed to develop universal vaccines that could protect against known and/or novel viruses.

- Remuneration: \$60,000/year plus Benefits
- Supervisor: Professor Miguel Quiñones-Mateu (PALM)
- Application deadline: June 30, 2023
- Start date: **September 1, 2023** (or earlier)
- Duration of appointment: Two (2) years, renewable

Key Tasks

- Provide technical support, perform key experiments, and be the main force behind virology-related studies, demonstrating a significant degree of independence and initiative
- Assist Professor Quiñones-Mateu with the preparation of scientific manuscripts, as well as abstracts, posters, presentations for scientific conferences, meetings and research funding proposals.
- Co-train undergraduate, Master, and Ph.D. students in the laboratory

Required Qualifications

- A Ph.D. degree in Virology, Microbiology or any related discipline
- Expertise in molecular virology, specifically respiratory viruses, working in a Containment Level 3 (CL3) Laboratory
- Experience in cell culture, cloning, virus propagation, as well as bioinformatics Expertise working with bacteriophages (phages) is desired
- Able to work as part of a team and without close supervision

How to Apply:

• Please email (i) CV and (ii) a short letter describing your interest to join our group, including contact information of three work-related references, to mquinon4@uwo.ca

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