The Department of Medicine and the Comprehensive Transplant Center at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center seeks to recruit a highly qualified and productive individual at the Associate/Professor level to direct the HLA laboratory and to support the rapidly growing clinical transplant programs. The candidate should have a strong interest and proficiency in antibody testing and analysis, particularly in relation to desensitization. Cedars-Sinai now has the largest heart transplant program in the U.S. with a significant desensitization program. Our Transplant Immunotherapy Program for highly HLA sensitized patients now performs 80-90 incompatible kidney transplants per year. The candidate would work in a close and collaborative manner with the medical transplant teams. In addition, there are significant academic research opportunities as both kidney and heart programs have clinical research grants exploring novel desensitization therapies where HLA support is critical and would be welcomed. The HLA Laboratory is fully accredited in all areas of histocompatibility testing including DNA-based HLA class I and II typing (SBT, SSP, rSSO), STR engraftment analysis, solid phase antibody testing (flow cytometry and Luminex platform), serology antibody analysis, and crossmatching (serology and flow cytometry). The laboratory is also accredited for non-HLA antibody analysis. This large laboratory program supports preeminent solid organ (kidney, heart, lung, pancreas) and stem cell transplant programs. Working in collaboration with the above mentioned programs, the laboratory promotes active research investigating various strategies to monitor antibody status of broadly sensitized patients, assessing antibody status after desensitization therapeutic intervention, and investigating the clinical impact of non-HLA specific antibodies.

Successful candidates should have 5 years of experience in a directorship role of an HLA Laboratory, a record of peer-reviewed journal publications and national exposure on related committees and boards. Minimum requirements are a PhD with ABHI board certification and 5 years’ experience in all areas of histocompatibility testing as described above. Candidates must have completed a test portfolio required for ASHI director certification and must have met all requirements for an ASHI Histocompatibility Laboratory Director certification. Candidates must be eligible for the California Histocompatibility Laboratory Director’s License.

Please submit your curriculum vitae, three references, and a brief description of relevant experience to: Academic.Recruiting@cshs.org

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