

**SUNY Downstate Medical Center
Department of Ophthalmology
Brooklyn, New York**

**2 PhD or MD, PhD VISION SCIENTISTS FOR
TENURE TRACK FACULTY POSITIONS IN OPHTHALMOLOGY**

We are recruiting two researchers for a continuing expansion of our research program. Using funds from New York State's Empire Innovator Program, we are seeking to fill two positions. Although not a requirement, we will look for candidates with stem cell research programs closely, as the EIP grant is for work on stem cell projects involving cornea, trabecular meshwork, and retina.

We seek mid career candidates, with an MD and/or PhD, with established independent research programs. The ideal candidates will have demonstrated excellence in vision research accomplishments and a clear record of extramural funding. The focus of our research program is translational research with interests in tissue engineering, vision restoration via gene transfer, or optogenetic approaches. In addition to running their research program, the successful candidates will contribute to the training mission of the department to both undergraduate and graduate medical education programs.

Appointed rank will be consistent with qualifications. A joint appointment in a Basic Science Department will be available for the successful candidate. We offer very competitive startup packages for qualified candidates with considerable salary support.

SUNY Downstate Medical Center Ophthalmology is Research To Prevent Blindness (RPB) funded and the candidates would help continue our grant. Downstate, the only academic medical center in Brooklyn, is one of the country's leading urban medical centers. Acclaimed for its excellence in research, clinical care, and education, Downstate will open a new state-of-the-art research and teaching facility late in 2015. This new Center will house the ophthalmology research laboratories among other centers. Ophthalmology at Downstate is a component of the SUNY Eye Institute (SEI) that integrates the complementary strengths of the four SUNY medical Universities and the SUNY College of Optometry into a single institute (www.sunyeye.org).

SUNY Downstate Medical Center is the only academic medical institution in Brooklyn and the ophthalmology residency is a very dynamic program with 7 resident training sites and 7 residents per year. The program is fully accredited and has undergone significant expansion over the past 7 years. The program sees very high volumes of patients and includes 2 public institutions (Kings County Hospital Center and Coney Island Hospital), a VA, and other free-standing medical centers.

This large training program gives the candidates opportunities to conduct translational research.

Brooklyn is a thriving borough in New York City with opportunities to enjoy the arts, outdoors and fine culinary experiences.

Please apply via email with a subject heading of – Ophthalmology Faculty Search. The application package should include: curriculum vitae; a two-to-three page summary of current research efforts and future research plans; and a list of three references. The submission should be a single PDF document. Applications will be reviewed as received and the recruitment will close when the positions are filled.

Send packet to: marlene.hartin@downstate.edu.

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