# Job Opportunities for Postdoctoral Fellows and Research Associates in Peru

The NMR Center of the Chemistry Department at Pontificia Universidad Catolica del Peru (CERMN-PUCP) - in collaboration with the NMR & Molecular Interaction Group headed by Dr. Guy Lippens (CNRS-INSA Toulouse, France) - is looking for two (2) highly motivated research associates to work in a multidisciplinary environment within the scope of "Nuclear Magnetic Resonance for Food Sciences and Health Sciences".

### Chemistry Position - Food and health sciences metabolomics:

### **Requirements:**

- Ph.D. (or equivalent) in Chemistry.
- Hands-on experience in common analytical techniques and purification methods (e.g. NMR, MS, HPLC, GC, IR and FD).
- Strong interest in metabolomics with experience in high-throughput sample preparation.
- Experience in statistical data analysis is desirable.

**Description:** The work will mainly focus on the development and implementation of NMR-based methods to address biodiversity in plants and food products of economic importance in Peru and also in fluids associated with endemic diseases. Duties involve sample preparation, NMR / MS elucidation, and data processing. New lines of research are encouraged.

#### NMR position - Biomolecular NMR and structural biology:

#### **Requirements:**

- Ph.D. (or equivalent) in Chemistry, Biochemistry or Physics.
- Strong research experience in biomolecular NMR spectroscopy.
- Experience in DNA structure determination by NMR would be desirable.
- Previous experience with molecular biology and protein expression/purification.
- Experience in molecular modeling would be appreciated.

**Description:** Research projects underway involve the study of Trypanosomatid parasite virulent factors infection mechanisms, optimization of chemical sensing devices through structural characterization of complex Aptamer-ligand by NMR, among others. Independent research projects are encouraged.

All applicants should possess a strong publication record and some experience in leading projects. They must be selfmotivated, team oriented, and should have excellent oral and written English communication skills (Spanish is not mandatory).

The successful candidates will have access to all the Chemistry Department facilities, including a 500 MHz NMR equipped with TCI cryoprobe, mass spectrometers, various optics and chromatography instrumentation. Funds to conduct research are available.

Salary: Up to 210,000 soles (approximately U\$ 60 k) per year based on qualifications.

## Period of employment: 2 years

**How to apply:** Interested applicants that fulfill the requirements should send a cover letter, CV and two letters of recommendation to Dr. Helena Maruenda (<u>hmaruen@pucp.edu.pe</u>)