Admission for Research Scholars Program – 2010

The CDFD (Centre for DNA Fingerprinting and Diagnostics) Hyderabad, is a premier institute in the country, which provides services in DNA fingerprinting and diagnostics and conducts basic research in different areas of modern molecular and cellular biology. The main themes of research at CDFD are:

- Genetics
- Molecular and Cellular Biology
- Molecular Pathogenesis
- Computational and Structural Biology
(The details are listed on our website: www.cdfd.org.in)

We invite applications from highly motivated candidates, willing to take up challenges in modern biology, for admissions to our Research Scholars program. Keeping in view the interdisciplinary nature of modern biology, we especially encourage persons from diverse backgrounds to apply. Those admitted as Research Scholars would be encouraged to apply for the Ph.D. program of Manipal University or University of Hyderabad.

**Eligibility:** M.B.B.S. or Master’s degree in any branch of Science, Technology or Agriculture from a recognized University/Institute. Candidates (other than M.B.B.S. graduates) must have cleared the CSIR/UGC/DBT/ICMR/ICAR NET for JRF or GATE (with 90% marks) or JEST. M.B.B.S. candidates are exempted from any of the eligibility tests mentioned herein. Those who have appeared, but are awaiting results, are also eligible to apply. However, only those candidates will be considered who produce proof of having cleared the CSIR/UGC/DBT/ICMR/ICAR NET JRF or GATE (with 90% marks) or JEST. Admission to CDFD Research Scholars program is based on a two-tier system involving a written/LAN based examination followed by interview of candidates who have qualified the written/LAN based examination.

CDFD is pleased to announce up to two research fellowships for the candidates with M.B.B.S. degree. One of the fellows will work in the area of Human Genetics and will be a trainee in a joint program between CDFD and the University of Pittsburgh that is supported by the Fogarty International Centre, USA. The admission procedure will remain the same as that given above.

In the case of candidates whose JRF examination results are announced before the written/LAN based examination of CDFD takes place, and have qualified the NET with fellowship, they will be eligible to appear for the CDFD examination upon furnishing the relevant details of having cleared the JRF/NET with fellowship.

Applications may be made online through our website (www.cdfd.org.in). Applications may also be made on plain paper as per the format displayed on our website and should be sent to **Admissions Co-ordinator**, Academic Cell, CDFD (Office Block), Bldg. 7, Gruhaloka, 5-4-399/B Nampally, Hyderabad 500 001. However, the preferred mode of submitting applications will be online. The last date for applications to reach CDFD is **30 April 2010**. The list of eligible candidates will be displayed on our website on **7 May 2010**. No individual intimation letter would be sent.

Eligible candidates will be called for written/LAN based examination at CDFD on **19 June 2010**. Those who qualify the written/LAN based examination will be interviewed on **20 June 2010**. No TA/DA will be paid. Director, CDFD reserves the right to accept/reject any or all applications without assigning any reasons whatsoever.