Division Director
U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
Silver Spring, Maryland

Description:
Seeking a recognized scientific leader to fill the position of the Division Director of a newly formed Division of Biology, Chemistry and Materials Science (DBCMS), Office of Science and Engineering Laboratories (OSEL), Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH), Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Position is open to a Toxicologist, Chemist, Biologist, Materials Scientist, Polymer Engineer or Scientist, Interdisciplinary Scientist, Interdisciplinary Engineer, Biomedical Scientist/Engineer, or Medical Officer. Candidates must have experience providing scientific and technical executive leadership in managing and directing a scientific, professional, and technical staff. The position is located in Silver Spring, Maryland, and all applications will be accepted from U.S. citizens. This vacancy announcement will be open through December 15, 2014.

DBCMS participates in the Center's mission of protecting and promoting public health by identifying and investigating issues related to the interaction between medical devices and the human body. The division accomplishes this by conducting laboratory-based regulatory research; providing scientific and engineering expertise for pre-market reviews, post-market investigations, and standards development; and collaborating with colleagues to develop, translate, and disseminate science and engineering-based information on regulated products. Specifically, DBCMS focuses on device issues that involve: biocompatibility, biological risk assessment, and toxicology; materials characterization and processing; materials degradation and chemical contamination; electrochemistry; infection control, sterility, and biofilms; computational modeling of physiological processes; and nanotechnology. For additional information, please visit http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/osel/index.html

Duties:
- Direct, manage, and supervise specialty laboratories in the disciplines mentioned above.
- Direct and coordinate the technical staff and scientific programs of the division.
- Conduct and direct regulatory science research projects, including publication of results.
- Coordinate high-level interactions with regulatory officials in other Center components to devise appropriate projects and tasks.
- Supervise a staff of professional scientists, technical, and administrative personnel in accomplishing the regulatory review process.
- Align division activities and strategic plans toward Office and Center-wide missions and goals.
- Develop collaborative agreements with outside groups to further expand and advance the development of scientific information useful in regulatory, compliance, and standards-setting activities.
- Ensure all administrative aspects of the Division to include personnel management, budget execution, and laboratory services are accomplished.

Educational Requirements:
Applicants should possess an M.D., Ph.D., or equivalent science degree, and have demonstrated scientific leadership and senior-level research experience in both basic and applied research program of national or international standing in areas of chemistry, biology, toxicology, materials science, or biomedical engineering. Experience with leadership in these programs relevant to medical devices is a plus.

For further qualifications and requirements:
http://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/ScienceandResearch/ucm421574.htm

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