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Job Title	Research Technician (9613C), Innovative Genomics Institute - 67554
Department Institution	University of California, Berkeley Berkeley, California
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Application Deadline Position Start Date	Open until filled Available immediately
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At the University of California, Berkeley, we are committed to creating a community that fosters equity of experience and opportunity, and ensures that students, faculty, and staff of all backgrounds feel safe, welcome and included. Our culture of openness, freedom and belonging make it a special place for students, faculty and staff.

The University of California, Berkeley, is one of the world's leading institutions of higher education, distinguished by its combination of internationally recognized academic and research excellence; the



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transformative opportunity it provides to a large and diverse student body; its public mission and commitment to equity and social justice; and its roots in the California experience, animated by such values as innovation, questioning the status quo, and respect for the environment and nature. Since its founding in 1868, Berkeley has fueled a perpetual renaissance, generating unparalleled intellectual, economic and social value in California, the United States and the world.

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### **Departmental Overview**

The Innovative Genomics Institute (IGI) is a partnership between the University of California, Berkeley and the University of California, San Francisco. The IGI envisions a world in which genomeengineering innovations benefit humanity and are accessible to all. The Institute's mission is to accelerate genome discovery and translation of resulting technologies in order to ethically and equitably improve human health and sustainable agriculture. Combining the fundamental research expertise and the biomedical talent, the IGI focuses on unraveling the mechanisms underlying CRISPRbased genome editing and applying this technology to cure disease, combat climate change, ensure food sustainability, and provide additional benefits for current and future generations. The IGI consists of four central programs: Human Health, Sustainable Agriculture, Advancing Genome Engineering, and Public Impact. Unlike the first three, the Public Impact program does not involve laboratory research but instead focuses on accomplishing the goal of IGI founder, Jennifer Doudna, to ensure that genome engineering makes the world a better place. To complement the laboratory work, the Public Impact Program places special emphasis on connecting the science of genome engineering to the world. The role of the Public Impact program is to engage in societal research, public and stakeholder



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engagement, outreach, and policy to align genome editing applications with societal needs and values, ensuring that benefits are ethical, accessible, and desirable.

### **Application Review Date**

The First Review Date for this job is: Friday, April 26, 2024

#### Responsibilities

- Assists with lab experiments designed by supervisor, including performing phage and microbial genetic screens under supervision.
- Assists in isolating, propagating, and editing bacteriophages, as well as culturing of microbial communities, microbiome editing, cloning, and DNA library preparation.
- As needed, diagnoses and resolves strategic problems in experiments or samples.
- Generates reagents for phage editing microbiome engineering as designed by supervisor
- Trains undergraduates and junior laboratory assistants
- Processes data including calculating transformation and targeted DNA editing efficiencies
- Organizes and stores laboratory equipment and chemicals, including general chemicals and custom molecular and microbiology reagents.

### Required Qualifications

- Strong organizational skills.
- Experience working with bacteriophages.
- Molecular biology experience.
- Experience with handling nucleic acids is desirable.
- Cloning experience.
- Microbial cultivation experience.

### Education/Training:

• Bachelor's degree in related area and /or equivalent experience / training.

### **Preferred Qualifications**

• Good communication skills.



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• Ability to keep a detailed record of experimental and results.

### Salary & Benefits

For information on the comprehensive benefits package offered by the University, please visit the University of California's Compensation & Benefitswebsite.

Under California law, the University of California, Berkeley is required to provide a reasonable estimate of the compensation range for this role and should not offer a salary outside of the range posted in this job announcement. This range takes into account the wide range of factors that are considered in making compensation decisions including but not limited to experience, skills, knowledge, abilities, education, licensure and certifications, analysis of internal equity, and other business and organizational needs. It is not typical for an individual to be offered a salary at or near the top of the range for a position. Salary offers are determined based on final candidate qualifications and experience.

The budgeted salary or hourly range that the University reasonably expects to pay for this position is \$25.75 (step 1.0)- \$26.35 (step 2.0).

- This is a 100%, full-time (40 hours per week), career position that is eligible for full UC benefits.
- This position is non-exempt and paid bi-weekly.

### How to Apply

To apply, please submit your resume and cover letter.

### Other Information

This position is governed by the terms and conditions in the agreement for the Research Support Professionals Unit (RX) between the University of California and the University Professional and Technical Employees (UPTE). The current bargaining agreement manual can be found at: <a href="http://ucnet.universityofcalifornia.edu/labor/bargaining-units/rx/index.html">http://ucnet.universityofcalifornia.edu/labor/bargaining-units/rx/index.html</a>.

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The University of California's Affirmative action policy.

The University of California's Anti-Discrimination policy.

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### **Contact Information**

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### Contact

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