



## Research Unit Leader Position, Oct.1, 2008

**Areas: Bioinformatics, Computational biology, Theoretical biology**  
We are currently seeking a researcher with a high level of expertise in bioinformatics, theoretical biology or computational biology.

Especially, applicants skilled in high performance computing will be viewed favorably.

**RIKEN** (<http://www.riken.jp/engn/>), Japan's premier national research institute, is now accepting proposals for the establishment of a new Initiative Research Unit Program laboratory. This program was established to cultivate top-grade talent by affording opportunities to superior young researchers to independently lead a research unit of several researchers/technical staffers toward ambitious research goals.

**The Position:** Full time, at RIKEN Campus in Japan, beginning **Oct. 1, 2008**.

This unit will receive about 150 m<sup>2</sup> of lab/office space.

**Contract conditions:** Salary is JPY10.9 m/annum (pre-tax) and commuter/housing allowances.

One year contracts, renewable for up to a max. five-year period.

**Budget:** JPY38.5 m/FY;

JPY10 m also may be made available as one-time startup fund.

**Prospective applicants:** Dynamic and resourceful researchers with a proven record of achievement possessing a doctoral degree in natural science or engineering; must propose a novel, ambitious research plan and possess sufficient experience to independently manage a research unit toward its accomplishment.

**Applications:** Must be received NLT 1700 Japan time **June 16, 2008**. See Web site (below) for application materials and requirements.

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