We are soliciting applications for the North American Mitochondrial Disease Consortium (NAMDC) fellowship. This NIH funded 1 year fellowship will provide a unique clinical trials training opportunity for a senior fellow who will be trained to practice mitochondrial medicine. The NAMDC fellowship is open to clinicians, senior post-doctoral non-MD scientists who plan to work in clinical research, junior faculty, and established investigators wishing to develop or re-focus their careers on clinical research on mitochondrial disease. All completed applications received will be reviewed by the NAMDC Fellowship Committee with consideration of the applicant’s training, research interests and likelihood of continuing to work in the field of Mitochondrial Medicine as important criteria.

The fellowship includes a core clinical trial training experience at the University of California San Diego in the UCSD Mitochondrial and Metabolic Disease Center followed by combined clinic, clinical trials and research training in 1 or more of the consortium-affiliated sites. At UCSD the fellow will participate in the Clinical Research Enhancement through Supplemental Training (CREST) program. The CREST program at UCSD provides a core training module which includes epidemiology, patient oriented research, outcomes research, data management, informatics and biostatistics.

The second part of the fellowship can be structured to accommodate the candidate with 1 to 3 month rotations to two or more of the following consortium sites: Columbia University Medical Center (Dr. Michio Hirano), The University of Washington (Dr. Russ Saneto), McMaster University (Dr. Mark Tarnopolsky), The Cleveland Clinic and Case Reserve University (Dr. Sumit Parikh), The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia (Dr. Marni Falk), University of Colorado Denver (Dr. Johan Van Hove), Baylor College of Medicine (Dr. Fernando Scaglia) and the Mayo Clinic (Dr. Ralitza Gavrilova).

The NAMDC fellowship is designed for trainees who likely will have received prior residency training. Supplemental Biochemical Genetics training can be carried out at any of the consortium sites accredited by the ABMG. ABMG accredited sites are Columbia, UCSD, University of Washington, CHOP, University of Colorado, Baylor and the Mayo Clinic. The NAMDC fellowship will provide the basis in clinical trial training to allow for further Masters training after the fellowship.

Funding is up to an NIH research fellowship scale PGY6 level. A one year fellowship is available to start as early as June 1, 2023. Applications for the NAMDC fellowship should be received with referee letters and will be considered by the NAMDC fellowship committee. Interested candidates may contact Dr. Haas for further information and should send a CV along with a statement detailing their career goals, experience and interest in mitochondrial medicine and why this fellowship is a good fit for this stage in their career. The full application should include letters from 3 referees to be sent to:

Richard Haas, MB, BChir, MRCP
NAMDC Fellowship Director
Professor of Neurosciences and Pediatrics
UCSD Medical Center 0935
9500 Gilman Drive
La Jolla, CA 92093-0935
Tel. 858-822-6700  Fax 858-822-6707
Email: rhaas@ucsd.edu