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Subject: Call for Proposals to DOE's Joint Genome Institute (JGI) Community Science Program

Please note that the DOE's Joint Genome Institute (JGI) has just released its annual Community Science Program (CSP) call focused on large-scale sequence-based genomic science projects that address questions of relevance to DOE missions in sustainable biofuel production, global carbon cycling, and biogeochemistry. While applications will be accepted that address any aspect of these mission areas, priority for this call will be given to projects that address the specific areas of special emphasis that are listed in the call, and exploit the diversity of JGI technical and analytical capabilities. Note a Letter of Intent is required (April 7, 2016 deadline).

For the CSP annual call, a letter of intent is required to submit a proposal to JGI. Submitters whose letters of intent/proposals are approved will receive further instructions via email. Human or animal disease-causing organisms will NOT be considered under this Program. Only plant pathogens of relevance to bioenergy-related crops or plants will be considered. All proposals will be reviewed for scientific merit, DOE relevance, proposed data usage by the applicant/community, and track record of the applicant. Proposers are encouraged to review JGI's sample requirements; samples that are not available in a timely manner, or are of insufficient quality or quantity, will delay or potentially defer approval for sequencing.

For questions about the appropriateness of projects, program specifics or application process, please contact Susannah Tringe (sgtringe@lbl.gov).

For more information: <http://jgi.doe.gov/user-program-info/community-science-program/>

Additionally, applications are being sought as a part of the collaboration between user facilities that are stewarded by the Department of Energy Office of Biological and Environmental Research. The "Facilities Integrating Collaborations for User Science" (FICUS) program was established to encourage and enable researchers to more easily integrate the expertise and capabilities of multiple user facilities into their research. The FICUS call between DOE JGI and Environmental Molecular Science Laboratory (EMSL) represents a unique opportunity for researchers to combine the power of genomics and molecular characterization in one proposed research project. Both user facilities play critical roles in supporting DOE's energy, environment and basic research missions. Successful applications will focus on high risk/high payoff projects in the focused topic areas that can be completed on an accelerated timeline as compared with the standard CSP projects. In addition, they must utilize a broad range of the capabilities of each facility, and generate datasets beyond what each of these facilities could generate by itself. A letter of Intent is required (April 4, 2016 deadline).

For questions about the appropriateness of projects, program specifics or application process, please contact Terry Law (Emsl@pnnl.gov).

For more information: <http://jgi.doe.gov/user-program-info/community-science-program/how-to-propose-a-csp-project/emsl/>

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Thanks!

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