Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, is searching for an outstanding NIH-funded scholar to be the Founding Director of the New Jersey Institute of Food, Nutrition, and Health, a newly constituted center with faculty drawn from the Departments of Nutritional Sciences, Food Science, Animal Science, Chemical Biology, Plant Science, and Family and Community Health Sciences. The Directorship provides a unique opportunity to build and lead the Institute from conception to fruition. The Institute is one of three primary life science initiatives of the university's President and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs. The Director will report to the Executive Dean of the School of Environmental and Biological Sciences. A doctorate in nutrition, medicine, public health, or related scientific discipline is required.

The Institute will be a key player among the vibrant biomedical, biological, and behavioral science communities on the New Brunswick/Piscataway campuses. The Founding Director will be expected to attract extramural funding and to build academic linkages between existing program areas which include the Rutgers Institute of Human Genetics, Food Policy Institute, and Center for Lipid Research; the Rutgers-UMDNJ/Robert Wood Johnson Medical School joint initiatives which include the Center for Advanced Biotechnology and Medicine, Stem Cell Institute, and School of Public Health; and the UMDNJ Cancer Institute of New Jersey, Child Health Institute, and Cardiovascular Institute.

The commitment of Rutgers University to the new Institute is outstanding and includes significant resources for start-up costs, new faculty and staff, and foundation support for continued growth, along with new and renovated laboratory space dedicated to the initiative.

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A letter of application, curriculum vita, names of four professional references, and a statement of leadership objectives should be sent by electronic or regular mail to the Office of the Executive Dean, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, 88 Lipman Drive, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick, NJ 08901 (execdean@AESOP.Rutgers.edu). Inquiries can be made to Dr. Michael A. Gallo, Search Committee Chair (magallo@eohsi.rutgers.edu). Review of applicants will begin January 2, 2008, and continue until a suitable candidate is identified. Starting date is negotiable, on or after July 1, 2008.