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# Postdoctoral Fellowship in Cognitive Electrophysiology of Human Memory

We invite applications for a **Postdoctoral Fellow** position to join our emerging research team studying the neural basis of episodic memory using direct brain recordings and stimulation. This is a unique opportunity to collaborate with <u>Dr. Noa Herz</u> and Dr. Michael Sperling at the Comprehensive Epilepsy Center of Thomas Jefferson University, engaging in groundbreaking translational research at the intersection of cognitive and clinical neuroscience.

## About the Role

The successful candidate will lead projects aimed at:

- 1. Developing intracranial memory mapping procedures to minimize the risk of memory loss following neurosurgery.
- 2. Predicting behavior and clinical outcomes based on scalp EEG measures.
- 3. Designing direct brain stimulation interventions to study memory and develop interventions for memory-related disorders, such as post-traumatic stress disorder.

The work leverages intracranial data collected from epilepsy patients undergoing seizure monitoring and patients implanted with a responsive neurostimulation (RNS) system. Our research is highly collaborative, with regular interactions with Prof. Michael Kahana's group at the University of Pennsylvania.

## This position offers:

- Access to cutting-edge electrophysiological datasets.
- An inclusive, interdisciplinary research environment.
- Opportunities for high-impact publications and professional development.

## **Key Responsibilities**

- Conduct analyses of behavioral, scalp and intracranial electrophysiological data.
- Develop and implement experimental tasks.
- Prepare research manuscripts for submission to top-tier journals.
- Contribute to the preparation of grant proposals.
- Foster external collaborations and manage research projects.

## **Qualifications and Skills**

#### **Essential:**

- Ph.D. (or nearing completion) in neuroscience, psychology, biology, computer science, or a related field.
- Expertise in electrophysiological data analysis (human or animal studies).
- Proficiency in programming (e.g., Python, MATLAB, R, or C++).
- Strong publication record in peer-reviewed journals.

#### **Desirable:**

- Experience with machine learning or advanced multivariate analysis techniques.

## Skills:

- Good written and verbal communication in scientific English.
- Ability to work collaboratively with hospital-based teams, including neurologists and neurosurgeons.
- Creative problem-solving and a proactive approach to research.

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# **Our Environment**

The position is based at the Vickie & Jack Farber Institute for Neuroscience, located on the Center City Campus of Thomas Jefferson University. You will join an interdisciplinary team of neuroscientists, neurologists, and neurosurgeons working on memory-related challenges in both clinical and basic science contexts.

# We are committed to fostering an inclusive and diverse research environment. We welcome applicants from all backgrounds and strive to eliminate discrimination in our workplace.

# How to Apply

Submit the following materials via our application portal:

- Cover letter detailing your research interests and fit for this position.
- Curriculum Vitae (CV).
- Contact information for at least two academic referees.

# Application portal: [Link to Apply]

For inquiries, contact: Dr. Noa Herz Email: noa.herz@jefferson.edu

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Salary is commensurate with experience and follows the NIH postdoctoral pay scale.

Join us to contribute to state-of-the-art memory research and help transform the understanding and treatment of memory disorders!