

**Opportunity Title:** Post Doctoral Biomedical Fellowship at the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research (WRAIR)

**Opportunity Reference Code:** MPMC-WRAIR-2022-0007R

**Organization** U.S. Department of Defense (DOD)

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**How to Apply** Click on *Apply* at the bottom of the opportunity to start your application.

**Description** The Walter Reed Army Institute of Research (WRAIR) delivers lifesaving products including knowledge, technology and medical material that sustain the combat effectiveness of the warfighter. WRAIR provides unique research capabilities and innovative medical solutions to a range of Force Health Protection and Readiness challenges currently facing U.S. Service Members and threats anticipated during future operations. These research opportunities include ongoing efforts to identify and treat traumatic brain injury as well as to understand and mitigate the harmful effects of repeated exposures to blast.

#### What will I be doing?

As an ORISE participant, you will collaboratively participate within a research team assessing the biomedical and biological mechanisms of blast injury using in vitro and in vivo models, as well as biological samples collected from human patients and volunteers. These studies are critical to the experimental development of injury criteria, which will form the basis for:

- Developing standardized guidelines and test methodologies to study the effectiveness of therapeutic agents.
- The utility of biofluid biomarkers in pre/post-blast animal models, human volunteers and victims of blast exposure.

#### Why should I apply?

Under the guidance of a mentor, you will gain hands-on experience to complement your education and support your academic and professional goals. Along the way, you will engage in activities and research in several areas, including the opportunity to perform neurobehavioral assessments and design, develop, interpret, analyze, and implement the application of biological processes pre/post-blast insults.

#### Where will I be located?

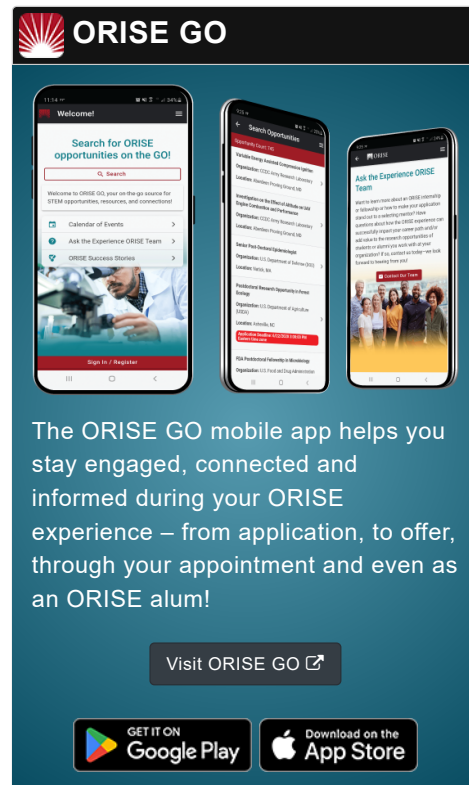
Silver Spring, Maryland

#### What is the anticipated start date?

The Walter Reed Army Institute of Research is ready to make appointments immediately. Exact start dates will be determined at the time of selection and in coordination with the selected candidate. Applications are reviewed on an ongoing basis and internships or fellowships will be filled as qualified candidates are identified.

#### What is the appointment length?

This appointment is a twelve month research appointment, with the possibility to be renewed for additional research periods. Appointments may be extended depending on funding availability, project assignment, program rules, and availability of the participant.



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#### What are the benefits?

You will receive a stipend to be determined by Walter Reed Army Institute of Research. Stipends are typically based on a participant's academic standing, discipline, experience, and research facility location. Other benefits may include the following:

- Health Insurance Supplement (Participants are eligible to purchase health insurance through ORISE)
- Relocation Allowance
- Training and Travel Allowance

#### About WRAIR

The [Walter Reed Army Institute of Research \(WRAIR\)](#) aims to conduct biomedical research that is responsive to U.S. Department of Defense and U.S. Army requirements. WRAIR conducts basic science, applied science, and animal and human subjects research to deliver lifesaving products including knowledge, technology and medical material that sustain the combat effectiveness of the Warfighter. Areas of focus include tropical infectious diseases and HIV, medical care on the battlefield and post-traumatic stress disorders. For more information about the WRAIR, please visit [www.wrair.army.mil](http://www.wrair.army.mil).

#### About ORISE

This program, administered by Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU) through its contract with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to manage the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE), was established through an interagency agreement between DOE and DoD. Participants do not enter into an employee/employer relationship with ORISE, ORAU, DoD or any other office or agency. Instead, you will be affiliated with ORISE for the administration of the appointment through the ORISE appointment letter and Terms of Appointment. Proof of health insurance is required for participation in this program. Health insurance can be obtained through ORISE. For more information, visit the [ORISE Research Participation Program at the U.S. Department of Defense](#).

#### Qualifications

The qualified candidate will have earned a Doctoral degree in biomedical sciences within the past five years from the appointment start date.

Highly competitive candidates will have experience and/or skills in the following:

- Hands-on experience with in vivo research.
- Injecting mice by oral, intraperitoneal, subcutaneous, and intravenous route.
- Western Blot; ELISA; PCR and RT-PCR; confocal microscopy; Immunofluorescence (IF) assay; genomic DNA/RNA extraction and quantification; agarose gel electrophoresis.
- Fluorescence spectrophotometer.

The successful applicant(s) will be required to comply with Environmental, Safety and Health (ES&H) requirements of the hosting facility, including but not limited to, COVID-19 requirements (e.g. facial covering, physical distancing, testing,

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vaccination).

#### **Application Requirements**



A complete application consists of:

- Zintellect Profile
- Educational and Employment History
- Essay Questions (goals, experiences, and skills relevant to the opportunity)
- Resume (PDF)
- Transcripts/Academic Records - For this opportunity, an unofficial transcript or copy of the student academic records printed by the applicant or by academic advisors from internal institution systems may be submitted. [Click here for detailed information about acceptable transcripts.](#)
- Two Recommendations - Your application will be considered incomplete and will not be reviewed until two recommendations are submitted. We encourage you to contact your recommenders as soon as you start your application to ensure they are able to complete the recommendation form and to let them know to expect a message from Zintellect. Recommenders will be asked to rate your scientific capabilities, personal characteristics, and describe how they know you. You can always log back in to your Zintellect account and check the status of your application.

If you have questions, send an email to [ARMY-MRMC@orise.orau.gov](mailto:ARMY-MRMC@orise.orau.gov). Please list the reference code of this opportunity MRMC-WRAIR-2022-0007R in the subject line of the email.

**Connect with ORISE...on the GO!** Download the new ORISE GO mobile app in the [Apple App Store](#) or [Google Play Store](#) to help you stay engaged, connected, and informed during your ORISE experience and beyond!

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

- **Degree:** Doctoral Degree received within the last 60 month(s).
- **Discipline(s):**
  - **Environmental and Marine Sciences** (1 )
  - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** (41 )