



INTERESTED IN A GREAT POST-PH.D. EXPERIENCE?
WITH MENTORING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

POST-DOCTORAL OPPORTUNITIES

The Merchant Lab in the University of California
Berkeley's Institute for Quantitative Biosciences has
positions on 2 projects

Position 1: Mechanism of nutritional Cu signalling. CRR1 is regulated by Cu-dependent ubiquitylation and degradation. Use reverse genetics, comparative genomics, metal sensors and reporters and biochemistry to understand how *Chlamydomonas* measures Cu availability.

Funded by NIH

Position 2: Gene targeting for reverse genetics and synthetic biology in algae. Develop an oleaginous (oily) green alga, *Auxenochlorella*, as a platform for reverse genetics and synthetic biology. Use gene targeting and transgene expression to investigate trace metal metabolism, enhance photosynthesis, and produce designer lipids for bioenergy or nutrition.

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Start dates flexible, summer or fall 2024
Other projects available

TRACE METAL
BIOLOGY
PHOTOSYNTHESIS
PLANT BIOLOGY
SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY
GENOMICS /
PROTEOMICS
GENE EXPRESSION



Transmission electron micrograph of *Chlamydomonas reinhardtii*, one of our favorite unicellular algae

Qualifications:

- Ph.D. in a chemical or life science with no more than 2 years post-Ph.D. experience.
- Documented publication record in peer-reviewed journals.
- **We are seeking respectful, compassionate teammates with enthusiasm for learning, curiosity about the natural world, and commitment to scientific integrity.**

To apply:

Contact sabeeha@berkeley.edu with:

- A cover letter (briefly describe your interests, educational path, and past scientific experiences, and indicate which position preferred)
- Your CV/resume with publication list
- Contact info for 3 references