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Dear Dr. Kaplinsky

I hope all is well, I am writing to you as chair of Swarthmore bio.  My name is Chris I'm a 2003 Haverford grad, and recently started my lab at UPenn after training at UCSF/Stanford.  We focus on microglia, the brain's macrophages, taking a very cellular/molecular and in vivo approach.  [fcblab.org](http://fcblab.org/)

I care a ton about mentorship and creating a good lab culture, learned from one of the best at it (Ben Barres) and as a young PI, greatly value RAs/techs as part of my lab.  We are looking for an excellent RA to replace a recent Haverford grad in my lab now moving on to grad school.

I was wondering if you would be willing to either connect me with promising students who might be interested, or pass along the attached announcement, as widely as you think appropriate?

I am glad to talk to faculty or students to give more details if anyone is interested.  Hopefully I get the chance to meet people in your dept over the years, I am a huge fan of the small liberal arts milieu based on my time at Haverford.

thanks for considering, happy to talk further, take care

chris

**Join us!** The Bennett lab is recruiting an ambitious, undergraduate trained research specialist ● We study microglia, the brain’s macrophages. We focus on:

○ Genetic and epigenetic regulation of microglial identity

○ How microglial functions shape the brain in health and disease

○ Microglial transplant technologies to enable novel therapies

● Research specialists in our lab are:

○ Integral to our most important projects

○ Receive excellent training and mentorship

○ Leave prepared for the next step in their scientific career

● We value team members from all backgrounds and paths, and highly encourage folks from traditionally underrepresented groups to apply.

**Some details**

● 2 year commitment and Bachelor’s degree required

● Location: University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

● Official job posting is forthcoming

**Find out more**

● Visit our website: **fcblab.org**

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