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"Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana."

Dr. Robert Urtecho

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DEAN OF SCIENCES, MATHEMATICS AND ENGINEERING
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Re: Vacancies in Biological Sciences

Dear Dean Urtecho:

The COS human resources department advised me to contact you regarding potential openings for the Fall 2017 semester.

I am a molecular biologist by training with 15 years of experience working on the genetics of disease vector mosquitoes. My research has focused on the development and implementation of novel vector control strategies aiming to reduce the transmission of vector borne pathogens, especially malaria and dengue virus. I am also an expert microbiologist with a an extensive set of laboratory skills. Though trained as a laboratory scientist, in recent years I have made efforts to broaden my bioinformatics skill set as well.

Years in research have taught me effective ways to communicate my concepts, thoughts and ideas. I've been told that I possesses a talent for bridging the gap between lay and technical audiences. To that end, I consider myself to be a strong and confident speaker and communicator of information. I have been informed personally on numerous occasions and through course feedback that my teaching performance is of high quality.

Most people who know me would describe me as an agreeable and interesting person. Over the past 20 years, I have lived in seven cities in three US states and two foreign countries. In addition to native English, I can also speak French, Spanish and German with varying degrees of proficiency.

I was born and raised near Blythe, California, in the remote expanses of the Sonoran desert. After earning my bachelor's degree from UC Berkeley, I obtained a training fellowship at The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) in Atlanta, GA. Then in 2010 I earned a doctorate from the Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, MD. I've been living in California since 2015.

To summarize, I'm sort of a scientific renaissance man. There is very little I can't either do or figure out how to do on my own. Personable, organized and expert with computers, I am trained in a wide range of methods and techniques inside and outside of the laboratory.

Feel free to contact me with any further questions you may have.

Sincerely,

John R Clayton

Signature

Attached: Curriculum Vitae