MATERIALS STAFF SCIENTIST
Materials Sciences Division

An opportunity to establish a cutting-edge cryogenic electron microscopy program to image radiation-sensitive synthetic materials on the atomic scale.

Position Overview
Berkeley Lab’s Materials Sciences Division has an opening for a Materials Staff Scientist.

The Staff Scientist appointed to this position will be a principal investigator in the Materials Sciences Division (MSD). The Staff Scientist will establish a cutting-edge cryogenic electron microscopy (cryo-EM) research group to explore the structure-property relationships in radiation-sensitive synthetic materials, and materials displaying novel low-temperature properties. The responsibilities include:

- The development of experimental cryo-EM platforms for obtaining data at the atomic level from both organic and inorganic solids.
- Advancement of sample-preparation, imaging modalities, and data collection in modern cryogenic electron microscopes.
- Participation in the development of novel sample environments for high resolution imaging at extremely low temperatures such as 1-10K.
- Research into fundamental understanding of both materials science and the interactions between electrons and materials that enables the development of new high resolution cryo-EM approaches.

This position will remain open until filled.
Key Success Factors

- Ph.D. or equivalent in polymer science, materials science, biological science or a related field, and proven track record in cryogenic electron microscopy.
- Fundamental understanding of electron optics in cryogenic electron microscopy and the algorithms for image processing.
- Demonstrated expertise in computational methods for image analysis and sample preparation methods for cryogenic electron microscopy.
- Strong publication record in relevant areas.
- A broad understanding of materials science.

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