Saint Luke’s Mid America Heart Institute (SLMAHI), in Kansas City, invites applications for a 2-year postdoctoral training program in cardiovascular outcomes research. This T32 training program, funded by the National Heart Lung and Blood Institute to the University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC), is hosted by SLMAHI in close collaboration with the University of Kansas. This fellowship provides curriculum, mentored research, and independent research experiences to train the next generation of leaders in the fields of cardiovascular clinical and outcomes research. The program is designed to train young scholars in quantifying patients’ outcomes, defining the determinants of these outcomes, comparing the effectiveness of alternative treatments, translating new knowledge into clinical care, and measuring and improving the quality of care. John Spertus, MD, MPH, Missouri/Lauer Endowed Chair, Professor at UMKC and Clinical Director of Outcomes Research at SLMAHI, and David Cohen, MD, MSc, Endowed Chair in Cardiovascular Research, Professor at UMKC and Director of Cardiovascular Research at SLMAHI, have built a program that provides a robust foundation for training.

The Full-Time Training Program offers:
- Advanced seminars of specialized skills for Outcomes Research
- Opportunity to obtain an MS in Bioinformatics with an emphasis in Clinical Research for those without prior formal training in the field
- Multidisciplinary mentorship, individualized to meet the needs of each Fellow
- Hands-on research experiences with access to highly experienced statisticians and numerous databases including multicenter outcome registries (e.g., PREMIER, TRIUMPH, PORTRAIT, PRISM), clinical trial databases (e.g., EPHESUS, PARTNER, TAVR, FREEDOM, SYNTAX), and national quality databases (e.g., ACC’s National Cardiovascular Data Registries, AHA’s National Registry of Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation).
- Salaried position based on NIH postdoctoral stipend scales
- Benefits including health, dental, disability, and life insurance; vacation time; tuition (for MS coursework); and funds for travel expenses to professional conference(s)

Eligibility:
- Citizen or noncitizen U.S. national lawfully admitted for permanent residence at the time of appointment
- Possess an M.D., D.O., Ph.D., Pharm.D., or equivalent doctoral degree
- Applicants welcome from health service professions including internal medicine, cardiology, public health, neurology, nursing, pharmacy, psychology and other health related fields.

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Key Dates:
Applications due: January 31, 2014
Fellowship starts: July 1, 2014