HWI Appoints Dr. Hang, First DoD Hire

The Hauptman-Woodward Institute (HWI) has appointed Dr. Pei (Paige) Chun Hang as a postdoctoral scholar. Hang is the first new employee hired to work as a result of HWI’s recent Department of Defense contract.

Hang will be working with faculty members Drs. Timothy Umland and Wayne Schultz on the study of how viruses mutate and transfer from animals to humans. This contract gave HWI a total of $2,832,480 to conduct research including the hiring of three postdocs.

“We have all the confidence in Dr. Hang to be able to come in and help HWI with our research,” Dr. Ed Lattman, chief executive officer and executive director, said. “The methods and tools that HWI has developed and our experience with working with the SARS virus allows our institute to perform the study of animal-derived viruses and play a significant role in public health.”

A postdoctoral scholar is an individual holding a doctoral degree who is engaged in a temporary period of mentored research for the purpose of acquiring the professional skills needed to pursue a career path.

Hang has recently received a Ph.D. in Chemistry from the University of Waterloo located in Ontario, Canada.

ABOUT HWI
With more than 50 years of exceptional scientific research, HWI is an internationally-renowned independent, non-profit facility specializing in the area of fundamental biomedical research known as structural biology. HWI’s team of more than 75 staff members is committed to improving human health by studying the causes of diseases, as well as potential therapies, at their basic molecular level. HWI is located in the heart of the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus in downtown Buffalo, New York, in a new state-of-the-art structural biology research center at 700 Ellicott Street. For more information, visit HWI’s website at www.hwi.buffalo.edu or call 716-898-8600.