

W2 Professorship in Immunology of Respiratory Tract Infections

The **Faculty of Medicine of Justus Liebig University Giessen (JLU)** invites applications for a

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as of the earliest possible date. Reference is made to § 67 Para. 7 Hessian Higher Education Act (HessHG), the non-tariff terms of employment apply, and to the conditions of employment based on § 68 HessHG. Proficient knowledge of German is expected.

Duties:

We invite applications of highly motivated candidates integrating into a team of scientists and clinician-scientists focusing on lung and infection research. Successful candidates should have a vision for an innovative research program centered on innate and/or adaptive immunity of the lung in respiratory infections, with a focus on the mechanisms that impact host defense, tissue resilience, and return to homeostasis after infectious challenge. In addition, a strong motivation to interact with research groups in basic, translational and clinical projects within local and national research consortia is expected (SFB-TR84 "Innate Immunity of the Lung: Mechanisms of Pathogen Attack and Host Defence in Pneumonia", KFO309 "Virus-induced Lung Injury", SFB1021 "RNA Viruses: RNA Metabolism, Host Reponse and Pathogenesis", SFB1213 "Pulmonary Hypertension and Cor Pulmonale", the Institute for Lung Health (ILH; www.ilh-giessen.de), the Cluster of Excellence "Cardio-Pulmonary Institute" (www.cpi-online.de), and the German Centers for Lung Research (DZL; www.DZL.de) and for Infection Research (DZIF; www.DZIF.de). Additionally, a strong commitment to undergraduate and graduate student education within the graduate program "Molecular Biology and Medicine of the Lung" (MBML; www.uni-giessen.de/fbz/fb11/forschung/graduierte/mbml) and "The Giessen

Graduate Centre for the Life Sciences" (GGL) is expected. Moreover, candidates are expected to contribute to research priority fields of the Faculty of Medicine in Giessen (focus area "Cardiopulmonary System (Heart/Lung)"; area of potential "Infections, Inflammation and Active Substances"; accent areas "Reproduction" and "Reparation and Regeneration"). An integration of gender aspects in research and teaching is explicitly desired.

The universities of Giessen and Marburg and the University of Applied Sciences in Central Hessen are working together in a research alliance (Research Campus of Central Hessen) as a structured cooperation based on coordinated priorities. It is expected that the applicant shows cooperativeness to university and department-wide collaborative projects.

Requirements:

A completed university degree, an outstanding doctorate and additional academic achievements (e.g. proven by a habilitation or in the form of relevant publications with peer review) in the field of immunology or lung infection are required. Excellent scientific track records and the success in the independent acquisition of external funding should be proven. In addition, leadership and coordination skills are required.

The JLU aims to employ more women in academic research. We therefore particularly encourage female candidates to apply. JLU also pursues the goal at faculty leadership level of increased competence in dealing with gender and family-related issues. JLU is regarded as a family-friendly university. Applicants with children are very welcome. Applications from disabled people of equal aptitude will be given preference.

We strongly recommend candidates to refer to our [fact sheet](#) on application procedures.

Please send your application with the required documents via [online form](#) to the President of Justus Liebig University Giessen by **June 9th, 2023**, quoting the reference number K-05/23. Applicants are encouraged additionally to fill in one of the [forms](#) (Bewerbungsbogen – application form).

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