

The Faculty of Medicine at the Julius Maximilians University of Würzburg and the Helmholtz Institute for RNA-based Infection Research (HIRI) jointly invite applications for a

Full Professorship (W3) in RNA-based Infection Research.

The professorship is a permanent position to be filled at the earliest possible date.

We seek to appoint a leading expert with an internationally visible research profile at the interface of RNA biology and infectious diseases research. At this point, we particularly welcome applications from experts on the function and dynamics of RNA molecules in the host or the pathogen during bacterial or viral infections, on RNA therapeutics approaches including the delivery of nucleic acids, and on RNA localization and RNA modification. In addition, we are interested in candidates who focus on emerging RNA-centric techniques such as single-cell RNA-seq.

The Helmholtz Institute for RNA-based Infection Research (HIRI) was established in May 2017 as joint venture between the Helmholtz Centre for Infection Research (HZI) Braunschweig and the Julius Maximilians University of Würzburg (JMU). Located on the Würzburg medical campus, it is the first research institution in the world to fully focus on the role of RNA in infection processes. HIRI also takes an integrative approach to exploit the vast potential of RNA as a diagnostic molecule, as a target or as a drug for new strategies to combat infectious diseases. The HIRI offers an international and vibrant scientific environment and state-of-the-art infrastructure for RNA and infection research. For further information, please visit www.helmholtz-hiri.de or send an email to Jörg Vogel, the founding director of the HIRI (joerg.vogel@helmholtz-hiri.de).

The Helmholtz Society and the JMU seek to increase the number of women holding professorships and explicitly invite outstanding female scientists to apply.

Equally qualified applicants with disabilities will be given preference.

The legally binding German version of this announcement has been published in "DIE ZEIT" on August 29th, 2019. The advertisement is also available at www.med.uni-wuerzburg.de/fakultaet/berufungsverfahren/. Please submit your application in English (or German) with the usual documentation (cover letter, signed curriculum vitae, copies of academic certificates and appointments, list of teaching activities including evaluations, list of publications, third-party funding) by October 1st, 2019. The application form can be downloaded at www.med.uni-wuerzburg.de/fakultaet/berufungsverfahren/. Applications should be addressed to

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