



The Helmholtz Institute for RNA-based Infection Research (HIRI) is offering

HIRI Research Career Development Fellowships.

The HIRI Research Career Development Fellowships are designed to provide support and structured guidance to excellent young researchers with a PhD and postdoctoral experience who are in the process of establishing an individual research identity.

Fellows will be given the opportunity to sharpen their academic profile at the interface of RNA & infection and to launch competitive, independent research careers. Successful applicants will receive funding for up to five years (based on progress that is mutually agreed upon) that includes their own position, the support of a technical assistant or PhD student and an annual lump sum to cover expenses for consumables. To optimally guide our fellows through their transition phase and prepare them for their future responsibilities, we offer structured mentoring and coaching. Moreover, the fellows will have their own laboratory website to help to increase their visibility. If desired it is possible to complete a habilitation.

Requirements

- Academic degree (PhD or equivalent) acquired within the past three years in molecular biology, microbiology, biochemistry, cell biology, bioinformatics, bioengineering, or a related field
- Excellent track record as doctoral and postdoctoral researcher
- Clear plans to establish own research 'niche'
- Dedication to work at the interface of RNA and infection biology
- Excellent English communication and presentation skills (written and spoken)
- Ability to work with people from different backgrounds and cultures
- High self-motivation and enthusiasm

We offer

We offer state-of-the-art infrastructure and cutting-edge technologies to promote scientific progress and interdisciplinary collaboration. We focus on a close integration of research and management and strive for excellence inside and outside the laboratory. Promoting equal opportunities and competencies for our employees and celebrating diversity are a matter of course for us. To ensure a good work-life balance, we have created a family-friendly atmosphere with flexible working hours and part-time models, a parent-child room and regular social activities.

Employment is through the Helmholtz Centre for Infection Research (Helmholtz-Zentrum für Infektionsforschung GmbH / HZI) in Braunschweig. The place of work is Würzburg. The position is suitable for part-time work. The HZI strives for professional equality between women and men. Therefore, women are especially encouraged to apply. Severely handicapped persons with equivalent professional qualifications are given preference. In order to protect your rights, we kindly ask you to provide us with a reference to your degree of disability in your cover letter or resume.



How to apply

We look forward to receiving your complete application including a cover letter, CV without picture, certificates, publication list, preliminary research plan, and two letters of support. Please send your application **in one single (1) pdf document** by email to hiri-sekretariat@helmholtz-hiri.de. For further information please contact Prof. Dr. Jörg Vogel, phone 0931 31 80430, email: joerg.vogel@helmholtz-hiri.de or our scientific coordinator Dr. Tim Schnyder, phone 0931 31 88485, email: tim.schnyder@helmholtz-hiri.de.

When sending us your application documents, please confirm that you have read our privacy policy and that you agree to the processing of your personal data. Please use the text module in our [privacy policy](#) for this purpose.

About the HIRI

The Helmholtz Institute for RNA-based Infection Research (HIRI) is the first institution worldwide to combine ribonucleic acid (RNA) research with infection biology. Based on novel findings from our strong basic research program, our long-term goal is to develop innovative therapeutic approaches to better diagnose and treat human infections. HIRI is a joint venture of the Helmholtz Center for Infection Research (HZI) in Braunschweig and the Julius Maximilians University of Würzburg (JMU) and is located on the Würzburg Medical Campus. More information at www.helmholtz-hiri.de.