

2026 Call

Graduate Programme *RNAmed* - Future Leaders in RNA-based Medicine:

11 fully funded PhD positions (4 years)

in Würzburg, Munich or Regensburg (Germany).

RNA-based therapeutics have transformed modern medicine. From the rapid development of mRNA vaccines during the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic to emerging RNA technologies in diagnostics and targeted therapies, RNA is becoming a central molecular for precision medicine.

Funded by the Bavarian Elite Network (ENB), the graduate programme *RNAmed* (www.rnamed.de) aspires to train the next generation of scientists to lead this rapidly evolving field. The programme brings together internationally recognized RNA experts from three different locations in Bavaria, Germany. They offer complementary expertise in RNA mechanisms, synthesis, modification and delivery, CRISPR-Cas systems, microRNAs and non-coding RNAs, RNA biology of infections, and RNA chemistry. *RNAmed* students benefit from interdisciplinary supervision, close collaboration across sites, and strong links to pharmaceutical translation.

The international *RNAmed* graduate programme offers structured mentoring and a comprehensive training curriculum including summer schools, specialized scientific courses, industry internships, transferable skills workshops, and opportunities to present at international conferences. We prepare for careers in academia, industry, entrepreneurship, and science policy.

We seek outstanding and highly motivated candidates of all nationalities holding a Master's degree (or equivalent) in the life sciences, chemistry, medicine, pharmaceutical sciences, or related disciplines.

Submit your application in English as a single PDF file to med-rnamed@uni-wuerzburg.de.

Please include: a cover letter, your CV, contact information of two academic references, and relevant certificates. The formal job description with all details can be found at www.rnamed.de.

At this stage, you should apply only to the graduate program itself.
Mentors/PIs will be assigned at a later stage.

Informal inquiries to the advertised positions may be directed to the programme speaker, Prof. Jörg Vogel (joerg.vogel@uni-wuerzburg.de).

We look forward to receiving your application.

[Application Deadline: March 24, 2026](#)



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