

The University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna (Vetmeduni) is an internationally renowned centre of excellence for teaching and research in veterinary medicine as well as a sought-after partner for cooperation. The modern campus accommodates teaching and research facilities as well as the only veterinary teaching and research hospital in Austria and is the workplace of around 2,300 students and 1,400 staff. Vetmeduni distinguishes itself by striving for excellence in its teaching and research activities as well as in its service units and through its continuous dialogue with society.

The **Department of Biological Sciences and Pathobiology** seeks to appoint a

Professor for “Immunology”

in accordance with the appointment procedure for university professors established by § 98 of the Austrian Universities Act 2002.

Grade:	A1
Level of employment:	40 hours weekly
Length of employment:	permanent
Envisaged Job Starting Date:	March 2025
Deadline for applications:	6.3.2024
Reference number:	2024/0013

Field of activity

The advertised professorship is affiliated to the Centre of Pathobiology and will work in research and teaching with the existing team on comparative and functional veterinary immunology with particular focus on infectious and/or immune-mediated diseases in domestic and wild animals. According to the Development Plan of the Vetmeduni, the further development of interdisciplinary, translational research focuses is to be pursued, especially as the findings from research are essential for both animal and human health.

The central objective of the professor to be appointed is to represent the field of immunology in veterinary medicine. Of particular importance is the development of an interdisciplinary, internationally visible research focus in combination with the training of early career researchers. State-of-the-art research facilities and outstanding opportunities for teaching are available to achieve this aim.

In research, the successful candidate should demonstrate a relevant, independent, and internationally visible profile. An adequate third-party funding for their own research is a prerequisite. The further development of a research profile in the field of the basics of the immune system of domestic and wild animals, and the interactions of the immune system with various pathogens is desired.

The position holder is expected to cooperate with the facilities of the Vetmeduni, especially the clinical departments, with interdisciplinary approaches and state-of-the-art methodologies of human medicine and life sciences.

In teaching, the successful candidate will coordinate and manage the further development of courses within the curricula (Diploma Programme in Veterinary Medicine, Bachelor Programme in Biomedicine and Biotechnology, Master Programme in Comparative Biomedicine, Digitalization in Animal Health Management, Wildlife Ecology and Wildlife Management and Interdisciplinary Master in Human-Animal Interactions) of the Vetmeduni as well as postgraduate scientific training in the field of immunology.

The job holder's responsibilities will also include working with university bodies and participation in national and international expert committees.

Required education, qualifications and experience

- Completed studies in veterinary medicine or human medicine or natural sciences
- Completed subject-related Doctorate / PhD or comparable scientific qualification
- Proof of interdisciplinary and cross-sectoral research activities in the relevant subject area
- Outstanding, relevant publication track record in line with the career level
- Proof of successful acquisition of third-party funded research projects as Principal Investigator (PI)
- Proven experience in the application of state-of-the-art methods in immunology and molecular biology
- Didactic qualification or experience in teaching, supervision, and training of undergraduate and graduate students
- Good command of English (level B2)

Required general skills and abilities

- Excellent communication and presentation skills
- Strong leadership and social skills
- A commercial and strategic mindset
- Decision-making ability and assertiveness
- Strong commitment to the continuing success and development of Vetmeduni

Additional desired qualifications and skills

- Expertise in translational immunology
- Good command of German (non-German-speaking applicants are expected to reach at least level B1 within 2-3 years)

What we offer

- Top university: Vetmeduni is one of the leading academic education and research institutions in veterinary medicine in Europe

- Stable employer
- Attractive campus
- Personal and professional training and development opportunities
- Health Care
- Diversity- and family-friendly university culture
- Children's day care and holiday care options
- Numerous attractive fringe benefits
- Employee events

Minimum salary

The minimum salary according to the Collective Bargaining Agreement for University Staff is EUR 6,362.50 gross per month (14 times per year). A higher salary may be agreed to during the appointment negotiations.

Applications

Application documents must include:

1. Letter of application with a brief description of:
 - Current research interests and research plans for the immediate future
 - Previous and planned areas of focus in academic teaching and supervision of young researchers
2. Curriculum vitae including:
 - Information about "esteem factors" (e.g. experience as a publisher, functions in research societies or programme committees)
 - List of lectures given including information about invited lectures at international conferences
 - Information about projects funded by third parties, acquired either independently or in collaboration, stating topic, duration, origin, volume, own role in acquisition, as well as any inventions/patents
 - List of academic teaching and supervised theses, especially doctoral theses
 - Information about experience in organization, management and leadership
3. List of publications including specification of five key publications which the applicant considers particularly relevant to the advertised position
4. Further documents to prove the required education, qualifications and experience of the applicant

To apply for this position, please send your documents in English, noting the **reference number 2024/0013**, by e-mail to the Office of the Senate of the University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna at berufungen@vetmeduni.ac.at. There is no fee for submitting applications.

Presentations and interviews with the candidates are scheduled for **July 2024 (likely in calendar week 27)**.

The Vetmeduni aims to increase the proportion of women among scientific and general university staff, especially in management positions, and therefore explicitly invites qualified women to apply. In the case of underrepresentation of women, female applicants who are equally suitable as the best-suited male competitor will be given priority, unless reasons relating to the person of a competitor prevail.

There is no fee required for submitting an application. Applicants have no entitlement to reimbursement of any travel or accommodation expenses they may incur as a result of the application procedure.

As a proud holder of the “hochschuleundfamilie” (“University and Family”) certificate, Vetmeduni welcomes applications from candidates with family responsibilities. We also encourage people with disabilities to apply.

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