

Scientist/project leader position in COVID-19 target and drug discovery

A scientist/project leader position funded by the French Research Agency (ANR) is open at the Inserm Institute of Viral and Liver Disease (Inserm U1110) and the Laboratory of Excellence HepSYS (Head: Prof. Thomas F. Baumert, MD) at the University of Strasbourg, France. The successful candidate will focus on the molecular and translational study of SARS-CoV-2-host interactions to uncover and develop novel targets for control of COVID-19 using cutting-edge technologies and model systems.

The laboratory focuses on the molecular and translational investigation of virus-host interactions to discover and develop novel preventive and therapeutic strategies for viral infection and disease (Saviano et al. *Hepatology* 2020 in press, Eller and Heydmann et al. *Nature Commun.* 2020, Jühling et al, *Gut* 2020, Aizarani et al. *Nature* 2019, Lupberger et al. *Gastroenterology* 2019, Hamdane et al. *Gastroenterology* 2019, Haqshenas et al. *Nature Commun.* 2017, Verrier et al. *Cell Rep.* 2016, Mailyly et al. *Nature Biotechnol.* 2015; Majzoub et al. *Cell* 2014; Chung & Baumert *N. Engl. J. Med.* 2014). Using this world-class expertise the laboratory has built a highly competitive COVID-19 program funded by the French National Research Agency (ANR) and the US National Institutes of Health.

What we offer

The institute is located in a state-of-the-art infrastructure and an internationally renowned research environment with all tech platforms on campus including a BSL3 laboratory. Inserm and the University of Strasbourg are consistently ranked among the leading research organizations. We provide the opportunity to work in a highly dynamic and international environment with top-level collaborations within academia and industry including virologists, cell biologists, bioinformaticians and clinicians. Furthermore, we offer a competitive remuneration package, mentoring and long-term career opportunities within the Inserm tenure track program for junior faculty.

Profile

You are a highly motivated scientist (PhD) or medical doctor (MD) ideally with a background in virology, cell biology or functional genomics. You have a solid track record of publications and are used to work in an international and collaborative environment. You have excellent communication skills in written and spoken English. French is not required.

To apply, please send your motivation letter (why you are interested in this position) and CV (including experience, key publications and 3 academic references) to **Prof. Thomas Baumert** (Thomas.Baumert@unistra.fr) and **Dr. Catherine Schuster** (Catherine.Schuster@unistra.fr).