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For the workgroup of Prof. Dr. Ludovic Vallier we are looking from the 01.05.2024 temporary for a

PostDoc in Cell based Therapy (f/m/d)

The Vallier lab based at the BCRT will takes advantage of human induced pluripotent stem cells and primary organoids to understand liver development in human and to generate cells with a clinical interest for modelling diseases and for cell-based therapies applications. More precisely, we investigate the molecular mechanisms controlling cell fate decisions during human development and exploit the resulting knowledge to produce liver cells especially hepatocytes and cholangiocytes.

Your work area:
The candidate will work on a project aiming to develop new method to produce large quantity of hepatocytes from hiPSCs. Of particular interest, we aim to develop a protocol to generated hepatocytes in suspension using bioreactor in conditions compatible with GMP requirements. The resulting cells will be characterised for their transcriptomes and their functional activity using QPCR, FACs, immunostaining and ELISAs. Further work will involve transplantation in animal model for liver disease.

What you bring with:
To achieve this project, the candidate will need the following skills:
- PhD or equivalent in cell or stem cell biology.
- Strong experience in tissue culture especially with in human pluripotent stem cell culture and liver organoids derived from primary tissue, differentiation, and characterization.
- Solid background in liver biology.
- Experience with animal models
- Experience in flow cytometry, QPCR, expression profiling, confocal imaging, CRISPR/Cas9 genome editing, and ChIP-Seq
- Experience in working independently while keeping a strong team spirit.
- At least one publication with first authorship.
- Strong self-motivation, organizational skills, and ability to lead and develop scientific projects.

What we offer:
- A full-/part-time position (39h/week) limited until 30.04.2026
- Remuneration taking into account personal requirements up to TVöD VKA-K EG13
- Flexible working hours and the possibility of mobile working within Germany and abroad in accordance with internal regulations (in consultation with the legal team)
- Various support services to help you combine work and family life (childcare, voio)
- 30 vacation days per year (with a five-day week)
- Very good training and further education opportunities
- Mobile citizens’ office on site
- Additional benefits customary in the public sector (e.g. annual bonus, company pension scheme (VBL))
- Very easily accessible and attractive workplace in the location name, Föhrer Straße 15 Campus CVK, 13353, Berlin

We live diversity!
BIH strongly encourages qualified women to apply. Applicants with severe disabilities and those of equal status will be given preferential consideration in the event of equal suitability.


Note: If you have a foreign university degree, please note that it may be necessary to obtain a certificate from the ZAB. You can find more information at: https://www.kmk.org/zab/central-office-for-foreign-education.html
For those born after 1970, proof of measles immunity / measles vaccination is required.

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