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LEHRSTUHL VIROLOGIE



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The Virology (chair: Professor Oliver T. Keppler) of the Max von Pettenkofer Institute at LMU Munich, Germany offers a

Postdoctoral Position in Coronavirus Research (m/f/d), E13, full time

for 28 months in the laboratory of Professor Keppler

The continued emergence of SARS-CoV-2 variants-of-concern poses a major challenge for the long-term control of the pandemic. We are interested in understanding the evolution and mechanisms of immune evasion of SARS-CoV-2 and the development of antiviral strategies. We have developed novel assays to study adaptive immunity against SARS-CoV-2 including the evaluation of the potency of neutralizing antibodies in the biosafety 3 laboratory (Wratil et al., Nature Medicine 2022; Keppler-Hafkemeyer et al., Nature Cancer 2022; Huth et al., New England Journal of Medicine 2023) and demonstrated the antiviral efficacy of innovative click-chemistry modified, stabilized siRNAs (Traube et al., Angewandte Chemie 2022) We now seek to expand characterizations of antiviral immunity and optimize antiviral approaches that are being advanced as part of interdisciplinary consortia.

The successful candidate will have an outstanding publication record and practical experience in virology (ideally at biosafety level 3), molecular biology, biochemistry and/or immunology. We expect a strong interest in virology, the ability to perform creative and independent research, and a very high level of motivation. We offer a highly interesting research topic with great biomedical relevance in a stimulating and interactive scientific environment at an internationally competitive level. The LMU research campus offers world class collaborations and access to core facilities.

Please send your applications with full CV including list of publications, letter of motivation, and references until **June 30, 2023** to keppler@mvp.lmu.de.