

# Job advertisement

Vacancy ID: 116 /2021

Closing date: 31.05.2021



FRIEDRICH-SCHILLER-  
UNIVERSITÄT  
JENA

Friedrich Schiller University is a traditional university with a strong research profile rooted in the heart of Germany. As a university covering all disciplines, it offers a wide range of subjects. Its research is focused on the areas LIGHT - LIFE - LIBERTY. It is closely networked with associated research institutes, companies and renowned cultural institutions. With around 18,000 students and more than 8,600 employees, the university plays a major role in shaping Jena's character as a cosmopolitan and future-oriented city.

The profile line LIFE of the Friedrich Schiller University seeks to fill the position of an

## Open-Topic Junior Research Group Leader (m/f/d)

The profile line LIFE (<https://www.uni-jena.de/en/life>) supports existing structures within the current focal research areas in the life sciences and medicine. At the same time, new and innovative topics are identified and promoted. The current focal research areas in LIFE are microbiology and chemical signals, infection biology, biodiversity, bio-geo-interactions, aging research, and bioinformatics and systems biology.

We provide an opportunity for you to pursue your own research project for six years. We seek applications from highly committed postdoctoral researchers with international experience and an outstanding scientific track record. Candidates from all scientific disciplines represented in LIFE are welcome to an innovative research project that stimulates our focal research areas. Projects that extend or interlink several focal research areas of LIFE, and/or connect to LIGHT or LIBERTY are highly welcome. The successful candidate is expected to actively collaborate within our interdisciplinary research community and to support science communication initiatives.

The junior research group will be hosted by a fitting institute at the Friedrich Schiller University, depending on the thematic focus, and will have access to the existing research infrastructure, also of the Cluster of Excellence "Balance of the Microverse". The successful candidate will command his/her own budget for personnel and direct project costs. The opportunity for obtaining a professorship qualification (habilitation degree) will be given.

### Your responsibilities:

- Conduct interdisciplinary research thematically linked to the focal research areas of the profile line LIFE
- Actively collaborate within our interdisciplinary research community
- Develop a junior research group using external as well as internal funding sources

### Your profile

- A doctoral degree and significant postdoctoral research experience in any scientific discipline represented in the focal research areas of the profile line LIFE
- An excellent track record in your research area
- The ability to work creatively and independently toward developing your own research program
- An integrative personality with leadership qualities and enthusiasm for actively participating in the dynamic research community within LIFE
- Potential willingness for interdisciplinary collaboration

### We offer:

- A highly communicative atmosphere within a scientific network providing top-level research
- Excellent equipment and infrastructure
- Flexible, attractive funding package for running a research group



- Remuneration based on the provisions of the Collective Agreement for the Public Sector of the Federal States (TV-L) – depending on the candidate's personal qualifications and with the possibility of raise depending on performance, in the remuneration group 14 with participation in all regular benefits
- A family-friendly working environment with a variety of offers for families: University Family Office 'JUniFamilie' and flexible childcare ('JUniKinder')

The full-time junior group leader position is available at the earliest convenient date and is limited to 6 years.

Candidates with severe disabilities will be given preference in the case of equal qualifications and suitability. To promote gender equality in science, applications by woman are especially welcome.

Applications in English should comprise a cover letter, a detailed curriculum vitae, copies of academic certificates, research agenda, a list of publications, acquired funding, and awards. Please submit your application by email as a single PDF file, stating the vacancy ID **116/2021** by 31.05.2021 to:

**Dr. Franziska Eberl**  
**Profillinie LIFE**  
**Neugasse 23**  
**07743 Jena, Germany**

[franziska.eberl@uni-jena.de](mailto:franziska.eberl@uni-jena.de)

Since all application documents will be duly destroyed after the recruitment process, we ask you to submit only copies of your documents. For further information for applicants, please also refer to [www4.uni-jena.de/stellenmarkt\\_hinweis.html](http://www4.uni-jena.de/stellenmarkt_hinweis.html) (in German)  
Please also note the information on the collection of personal data at [www4.uni-jena.de/en/jobs\\_information\\_collecting\\_personal\\_data.html](http://www4.uni-jena.de/en/jobs_information_collecting_personal_data.html)