

Max Perutz Labs

Tenure-Track Professorship in Mechanistic Cell and Developmental Biology

Introduction

The Max Perutz Labs, one of Europe's leading institutes for basic research in the life sciences, invites applications for a tenure-track group leader position. We are seeking exceptional candidates who will contribute in creative ways to the institute's mission to analyze and reconstitute complex biological systems across different scales.

About the position

Candidates should have a proven track record in biology, biophysics, or computational science. Your research proposal should be original and innovative, ideally linking a fundamental biological question with new technological approaches. We welcome applications from all areas of the life sciences, but especially those in tissue-scale and developmental biology, chromatin, RNA and chromosome biology, and synthetic/computational methods (including AI/ML) that will address complex biological questions from a mechanistic angle.

Together with IMP, GMI, AITHYRA, UBB and IMBA, the Perutz is part of the Vienna BioCenter, one of Europe's premier research hubs, home to over 2,000 scientists from 80+ nations and more than 30 biotech companies. The Vienna BioCenter fosters a highly collaborative environment, providing ample opportunities for interdisciplinary research. As a joint venture of the University of Vienna and the Medical University of Vienna, the Perutz facilitates cooperation with a wide range of faculties, including physics, mathematics, computational sciences, and medical sciences, broadening the scope of your research.

The Perutz offers subsidized access to state-of-the-art core facilities, including an established SOPF grade mouse house, preclinical phenotyping, histology, FACS, biooptics, electron microscopy, proteomics, metabolomics, next-generation sequencing, and high-performance computing. The Perutz participates in prestigious programs, including the Vienna BioCenter PhD program, the EU-funded VIP3 postdoctoral program, and the Vienna BioCenter Summer School. The Perutz offers Max Perutz PhD Fellowships for exceptional doctoral candidates.

The working language at the Vienna BioCenter is English, and the environment is highly supportive and family-friendly, including subsidized, on-site childcare for faculty and staff. Located in Vienna—consistently ranked as the world's most livable city—scientists at the Perutz enjoy a vibrant international community, and an exceptional quality of life. Vienna combines affordable living, excellent public services, and easy access to stunning landscapes and top destinations across Austria and Europe.

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Your academic profile

- Doctoral degree/PhD
- Two years of international research experience during or after doctoral studies
- Outstanding research achievements, excellent publication and funding record, international reputation
- Gender and diversity competence
- Experience in designing of and participating in research projects, ability to lead research groups and acquire third-party funding
- Enthusiasm for excellent teaching and supervision at the bachelor's, master's, and doctoral level

We offer

- the opportunity to obtain a permanent position and eventual promotion to full professor; the initial contract as Assistant Professor is limited to six years, after positive evaluation of a qualification agreement the contract becomes permanent as Associate Professor; Associate Professors can be promoted to Full Professor through an internal competitive procedure
- a dynamic research environment
- a wide range of research and teaching support services
- attractive working conditions in a city with a high quality of life
- an attractive salary according to the [Collective Bargaining Agreement for University Staff](#) (level A2) and an organisational retirement plan

Application documents (in English)

1. Letter of motivation

2. Academic curriculum vitae

- education and training (PhD Certificate, PDF)
- positions held to date
- career breaks (e.g. relevant parental, family or other care periods)
- awards and honors
- commissions of trust
- previous and current cooperation partners
- complete list of acquired third-party funding and, if applicable, of inventions/patents
- list of most important scientific talks (max. 10)
- teaching and mentoring
- supervision experience (Master and PhD), if applicable

3. List of publications

- link to your own publicly accessible ORCID record, with a complete and current publication list
- three key publications as electronic full text version (PDF, max 30 MB)

4. Research statement

- most important research achievements (max. 2 pages) and planned future research activities (max. 4 pages)
- synopsis of three key publications with relevance to the position advertised
- publication strategy

5. Teaching and supervision statement

- teaching and supervision concept, including a description of the previous and planned priorities in academic teaching and supervision (max. 2 pages)
- teaching evaluations (if available, PDF)

Application submission

Please submit your application via the University of Vienna's online recruiting tool for tenure-track positions by clicking the "Apply now" button below or using the following link (registration required):
<https://academicjobs.univie.ac.at/datenabfrage/TT0725MPL01>

The University of Vienna has an anti-discriminatory employment policy and attaches great importance to equal opportunities, the [advancement of women](#) and [diversity](#). We lay special emphasis on increasing the number of women in senior and in academic positions among the academic and general university staff and therefore expressly encourage qualified women to apply. Given equal qualifications, preference will be given to female candidates.

[Data protection information](#) (University of Vienna)

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Application deadline: September 17, 2025

Contact

Questions related to this position can be addressed to the Scientific Director, Alwin Köhler (ScientificDirectorOffice@maxperutzlabs.ac.at).

Please note that only applications submitted through the provided link will be considered.

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