

3 PhD positions in the field of virology, Schwemmle lab, University of Freiburg, Germany

Three doctoral positions funded by the European Research Council (ERC) and the *Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft* (DFG) are now available in the laboratory of Prof. Martin Schwemmle at the Institute of Virology, University Medical Center, Freiburg (Germany). Research will focus on the newly discovered bat influenza A viruses and circulating pre-pandemic swine influenza viruses (see detailed description of the projects [here](#)).

Selected candidates will become members of the Spemann Graduate School of Biology and Medicine (SGBM), which offers a structured, international and multidisciplinary doctoral program (see the [school's website](#) for additional information).

What we look for:

- an excellent recent university degree: M.Sc. or German diploma (also candidates about to obtain such a degree are welcome to apply)
- a strong background in biology or molecular medicine or equivalent
- experience in techniques of cell biology, protein biochemistry and molecular biology
- excellent communication skills in English
- interest in participating actively in the curricular and social activities of the graduate school

What we offer:

- a 3-4 year doctoral salary, in accordance with the German public service salary scale (TV-L E 13, 65%)
- a highly topical research project involving different techniques in a collaborative setting
- specific training in molecular virology in a high-profile research environment
- an efficient supervision and mentoring program
- an interdisciplinary teaching program, including courses in novel technologies and soft skills

How to apply

To submit your application to the Schwemmle lab, please use the application tool of the Spemann Graduate School of Biology and Medicine (SGBM), which is accessible [here](#). You will be first asked to register and your email address will be verified. Only after the successful verification will you be able to type in your application.

Important: Please make sure that you select the "Track 2" radio button when you register, otherwise you will be re-directed to the wrong application mask.

If successfully registered, you will receive an email at the address provided with instructions on how to continue with the application. Once you start filling out your application the information you have entered is saved automatically by the system. If you stop entering data for too long the system will log you out. You will have to re-enter your login data on the SGBM homepage (www.sgbm.uni-freiburg.de) to resume your application.

Recruitment timeline

Start of application call: August 15, 2020

Deadline for applications: October 31, 2020

Start of PhD thesis: January/February 2021

Selection procedure

Applicants will be selected in a first round by SGBM based on eligibility criteria. Shortlisted candidates will be invited for interviews (dates tba).