



Call for letters of interest:

Group leaders for the LEO Foundation Skin Immunology Research Center, University of Copenhagen

RECRUITMENT: The LEO Foundation Skin Immunology Research Center will recruit 1-2 group leaders during 2021-22. We now invite outstanding scientists to submit letters of interest.

We welcome letters of interest from scientists with an outstanding track record and innovative vision for a new independent research group within the area of skin immunology. The LEO Foundation Skin Immunology Research Center was founded in 2019 based on a ten-year grant. The centre addresses fundamental research questions within modern immunology and aims to become a platform for world-leading studies in skin immunology and inflammation. The primary criteria for future group leaders are excellence in fundamental research and/or translational research and a genuine interest in interacting with other researchers at the centre in order to develop it as a research centre of excellence.

The LEO Foundation Skin Immunology Research Center is a vibrant, internationally diverse and ambitious research environment with state-of-the-art facilities and technologies located at the Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences at the University of Copenhagen. The location on the twelfth floor of the Maersk Tower is ideal for collaboration and exchange with other centres and departments within the faculty and Copenhagen science community. Read more at www.sic.ku.dk.

The new group leaders will establish independent research programmes within the field of immunology and skin biology/disease. The centre provides group leaders with a generous support package, which includes their salary, support for other personnel, consumables and modern laboratory and office facilities. The group leaders are expected to supplement this package with national or international grants and/or industrial collaborations. In addition, the group leaders are expected to engage in teaching at undergraduate and graduate levels at the faculty and in multidisciplinary research collaborations with other groups in the centre and within the Copenhagen area.

Your background includes an MD, PhD or equivalent degree, postdoctoral training and a strong track record of publications and as corresponding author published in leading journals. International networks and experience, such as training in high-quality institutions and universities globally, are meriting. Applicants must qualify for a professorship or associate professorship at the University of Copenhagen.

[See criteria for appointment of professors here](#)

[See criteria for appointment of associate professors here](#)

We offer:

- A generous package, including salary, support for other personnel and consumables.
- Attractive modern laboratory and offices at the Maersk Tower.
- Access to cutting-edge technologies through shared-resource platforms and staff expertise in flow cytometry, single-cell sequencing, genomics, imaging and data analytics.
- A vibrant scientific community with a strong internal synergy suited for easy collaboration and exchange with other centres and departments at the University of Copenhagen and the greater Danish scientific community.

- Opportunities to turn basic research discoveries into translational research in close collaboration with the centre's clinical partners and [the Copenhagen Translational Skin Immunology Biobank and Research Programme](#).
- Affiliation to the Immunology and Infectious Diseases Graduate Programme for international PhD student recruitment and training.
- Support from the management and centre for professional development and planning individualised career paths.
- Local support for finance, HR and Research and Innovation.
- Excellent additional funding opportunities. The University of Copenhagen is one of the most successful institutions within in the EU in winning Horizon Europe funding. Danish funding bodies further offer a wide range of funding opportunities within the health and medical sciences in particular.

The University of Copenhagen International Staff Mobility Office offers assistance and guidance with regard to relocation, e.g. housing, a spouse programme, pension, taxes etc. For more information, please visit the ISM website at www.ism.ku.dk.

Letter of interest

Letters of interest should include a cover letter summarising the applicant's career, past research accomplishments (max 1 page) and future research plan of relevance to the centre (max 5 pages), a CV, a list of publications (including an indication of up to 5 of the most significant publications) and the names of 3 references.

The letter of interest should be submitted in English to sic@sund.ku.dk no later than 16 August 2021.

Please direct questions to incoming Executive Director, Professor Liv Eidsmo (sic@sund.ku.dk)

The LEO Foundation Skin Immunology Research Center highly values diversity and encourages people of all backgrounds to submit a letter of interest.

Founded in 1479, the University of Copenhagen is the oldest university in Denmark. It is among the largest universities in Scandinavia and one of the highest ranking in Europe. The university's six faculties include the Health and Medical Sciences, Humanities, Law, Science, Social Sciences and Theology. For more information, please visit www.ku.dk.