

## ***Fields of Expertise – Human & Biotechnology***

The Field of Expertise Human & Biotechnology – one of the five research focus areas of Graz University of Technology – comprises research activities in the areas of Biomedical Engineering and Biotechnology and includes researchers from the Faculty of Computer Science and Biomedical Engineering and the Faculty of Technical Chemistry, Chemical and Process Engineering, Biotechnology. Research results contribute to medicine, environmental technology, industry and agriculture, benefitting society in many aspects.

Graz University of Technology invites applications for an open-topic

### **Tenure-Track Assistant Professorship in the area of Human & Biotechnology (f/m/d)**

Of particular interest is research in Biomedical Engineering (e.g. biomechanics, medical imaging, (clinical) bioinformatics, neural engineering, neuroprosthetics, brain-computer interfaces, computational and experimental electrophysiology, biomedical modelling, biomedical sensor technology, biomaterials) or Molecular Biomedicine (e.g. functional genomics, chemical biology, metabolism research) but also in Industrial Biotechnology (e.g. cell engineering, protein and enzyme engineering, bioprocess engineering, biocatalysis - green chemistry, glycoengineering, synthetic biology, computational biotechnology, sensors for process technology) or Environmental Biotechnology (e.g. microbiome research and biotechnology, microbe-plant interactions, food chemistry and human sensors, enzymatic decomposition and modification of (bio-)polymers, use of renewable materials through biotechnological processes).

The professorship will be part of the Field of Human and Biotechnology described at <https://www.tugraz.at/en/research/forschungsschwerpunkte-5-fields-of-expertise/human-biotechnology/overview-human-biotechnology/>

Based on the research and teaching focus, the candidate will be assigned to a matching institute and faculty that participate in this Field of Expertise.

#### **Requirements:**

- A relevant university education with a completed doctoral/PhD degree

#### **Expected Qualifications:**

- Outstanding achievements and potential in research, excellent publication activity and international reputation
- International experience in the form of a PhD or PostDoc position
- Experience in the design and implementation of international research projects as well as willingness and ability to establish and lead a research group
- Enthusiasm for excellent teaching, teaching experience, as well as the ability and willingness to teach in all curricular stages (Bachelor, Master, Doctorate), supervise theses and promote young scientists

To ensure effective international representation of the research group and its work, excellent spoken and written competence in English is required. Specifically, willingness to teach courses in English is expected. Fluency in German or the willingness to acquire it is also required. The successful candidate is also expected to transfer her/his residence to the area of Graz.

Graz University of Technology aims to increase the proportion of women, in particular in management and academic staff, and therefore qualified female applicants are explicitly encouraged to apply. Until a balanced ratio of men and women has been achieved at the university, preference will be given to women if applicants are equally qualified.

Graz University of Technology actively promotes diversity and equal opportunities. Applicants are not to be discriminated against in personnel selection procedures on the grounds of gender, ethnicity, religion or ideology, age, sexual orientation (Anti-discrimination). People with disabilities who have the relevant qualifications are expressly invited to apply.

#### **Our Offer:**

The advertised position is a tenure-track career position for an initial period of 6 years. (pursuant to § 99 para. 5 of the Universities Act). After the conclusion of a qualification agreement, the job holder is appointed as an **Assistant Professor**. After a positive evaluation of the qualification agreement, the position will be turned into a permanent position as **Associate Professor**. Graz University of Technology provides excellent working conditions in a lively scientific community combined with the outstanding living quality of the Graz area.

The position will be paid according to category B1 of the collective agreement for employees of Austrian universities, stipulating an initial gross salary of EUR 4,309.30 (14 x per year).

#### **Your Application:**

Interested applicants are requested to send a detailed application in electronic form, and should quote the position identification number:

- using the completely filled out application form <https://www.tugraz.at/go/professorships-vacancies/>,
- including a resume (with copies of diplomas),
- a list of publications with copies of their 5 most important publications,
- a research statement describing past and planned research activities (3 pages max.),
- a teaching statement describing past and planned teaching activities (3 pages max.) and evaluations of past teaching activities (if available),

at the latest by

September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
(date of email)

to the Vice Rector of Research via the Research & Technology House of the Graz University of Technology, **Horst Bischof**, E-Mail: [applications.foe@tugraz.at](mailto:applications.foe@tugraz.at)

The interviews for the position are expected to take place in the week from November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Candidates are asked to be available in this period. For further questions, please contact the head of the Field of Expertise, **Gernot Müller-Putz**, E-Mail: [gernot.mueller@tugraz.at](mailto:gernot.mueller@tugraz.at)

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