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**University of
Bergen**
Department of Global
Public Health and
Primary Care

Jobbnorge ID: 273587

Deadline: 19.02.2025

Website: <https://www.uib.no/om/84775/ledige-stillinger-ved-uib>

Scope: Fulltime

Duration: Fixed Term

PhD-position at Department of Global Public Health and Primary Care

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PhD position

At the Faculty of Medicine, Department of Global Public Health and Primary Care, a full-time PhD-position is available for a period of three (3) years. The position is part of the project "A TRACE of autoimmunity in pediatric cancer (KidImmune)", funded by Trond Mohn Research Foundation and the University of Bergen.

About the project/work tasks:

- [The KidImmune project](#) investigates autoantibody profiles in pediatric cancer patients and their possible involvement in the etiology of the disease. The project has identified a pattern of autoantibodies (antibodies against the body's own proteins) that is enriched in children with cancer compared to adult patients or healthy controls, and that some of those antibodies are able to enter cells and bind to and probably inhibit their antigens.
- In addition to biological studies investigating the possible mechanistic impact of such antibodies, we will do epidemiologic studies in larger cohorts of patients and healthy controls to determine the level of association with disease and predictive values of selected autoantibody biomarkers. This includes both analysis of samples collected before the patients were diagnosed with cancer and a time series of healthy pregnancies.
- The PhD candidate will contribute to these projects, including both statistical analysis of multiple biomarkers in large cohorts, and large, proteome-wide data sets from smaller cohorts.

Qualifications and personal qualities:

- The applicant must have a master's degree or equivalent in the field of medicine, public health, biology, epidemiology, statistics, bioinformatics, or a related discipline or be in the process of completing their master's studies with a planned graduation date before the specified start date for the position. Employment is contingent upon the completion and passing of the master's degree (minimum grade C). No extensions to the start date will be granted due to delays in completing the master's degree.
- Experience from relevant research projects will be considered as positive
- The candidate should be able to work independently and in a structured manner, and have a good ability to communicate and cooperate with others
- Ability and motivation to carry out a PhD project
- The applicant must be fluent in oral and written English, see documentation requirements

The applicant's personal suitability for the position is a significant factor in the evaluation.

Applicant whose education is from another country than Norway, must provide a certified translation of the diploma and transcript of grades to English or a Scandinavian language, if the original documents are not in any of these languages. It is also required that the applicant submit a review from the Norwegian Directorate for Higher Education and Skills (HK-dir) to verify whether the education in question (bachelor's and master's degree) is of a scope and level that corresponds to the level of a Norwegian master's degree. Please see <https://hkdir.no/en/> for more information about HK-dir's general recognition. The review from HK-dir may take some time. Therefore, please submit your application to HK-dir as soon as you decide to apply for the position. If you do not receive a response within the application deadline, you must include documentation from HK-dir confirming receipt of your application. Please note that the automatic recognition offered by HK-dir is not sufficient, and will not be accepted as basis for admission to the PhD programme. Applicants with education from a Nordic country or medical degree from

the EEA area and a license to practice medicine in Norway are exempt from the requirement for HK-dir assessment, see [Admission requirements at the Faculty of Medicine | Faculty of Medicine | UiB](#).

See documentation requirements for language qualifications: <http://www.uib.no/en/med/115526/english-language-requirements-phd-admission>.

About the PhD position:

Organized research training (PhD program):

The candidate must take part in the University of Bergen approved PhD programme leading to the degree within a time limit of 3 years. You must have admission to the organized research training (PhD program) at the Faculty in order to qualify for the position. Application for admission to the PhD programme, including a project plan outline for the training plan must be submitted no later than three months after the date of commencement.

The PhD-position:

PhD-positions are fixed term positions. You cannot be employed in a PhD-position for more than one fixed term period at the same institution or have had similar employment at an institution in the region.

We can offer:

- Exciting development opportunities as part of your role in a strong professional environment
- Salary NOK 540 500 (code 1017, pay grade 55) in the state salary scale. For applicants with at least one year of employment in a position as a General Practitioner or Dentist, salary NOK 557 100 (code 1017, pay grade 57). Medical specialist starts on salary NOK 575 400 (code 1017, pay grade 59)
- Enrolment in the Norwegian Public Service Pension Fund
- Good [welfare benefits](#)

Your application must include:

- A brief account of the applicant's research interests and motivation for applying for the position
- Certified copies of diplomas and transcripts of grades. Applicant whose education is from another country than Norway, need to also attach a certified translation of the diploma and transcript of grades to English or a Scandinavian language, if the original is not in any of these languages. It is also required that the applicant enclose a review from HK-dir (both bachelor and master degree) whether the education in question is of a scope and level that corresponds to the level of a Norwegian master's degree. Please see <https://hkdir.no/en/> for more information about HK-dir's general recognition. This may take some time and we recommend you to apply as soon as you know you will apply for this position. If no answer within the application deadline, please enclose documentation from HK-dir that they have received your application
- [Documentation of language skills \(English\)](#)
- Complete list of publications and scientific work you want to be evaluated
- Any publication in your name
- Two references (name and contact information)

General information:

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Diversity is a strength that enables us to solve our tasks even better. UiB therefore needs qualified employees regardless of gender, ethnicity, religion, worldview, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, and age.

The University of Bergen applies the principle of public access to information when recruiting staff for academic positions.

Information about applicants may be made public even if the applicant has asked not to be named on the list of persons who have applied. The applicant must be notified if the request to be omitted is not met.

The successful applicant must comply with the guidelines that apply to the position at all times.

We encourage applicants with disabilities, immigrant backgrounds, or gaps in their CV to apply. By indicating such circumstances in your application, you may receive favourable consideration. We ensure that at least one qualified applicant from each of these groups is invited for an interview as part of our commitment to inclusivity and equal opportunity. For further information about the recruitment process, click [here](#).

Life as a PhD candidate at UiB

Marion Claireaux tells about life and work as a PhD candidate at UiB.

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nrt6VxMeJ4&index=2&list=PLf8ZIYfAO0qjhROTj6SthDbSScg0ISO6G>

About UiB

The University of Bergen is a renowned educational and research institution, organised into seven faculties and approximately 54 institutes and academic centres. Campus is located in the centre of Bergen with university areas at Nygårdshøyden, Haukeland, Marineholmen, Møllendalsveien and Årstad.

There are five departments and eight centres at Faculty of Medicine. [Read More about the faculty and departments.](#)

Additional information

Place of service:

Haukelandsveien 28 5009 Bergen (Bergen Municipality)