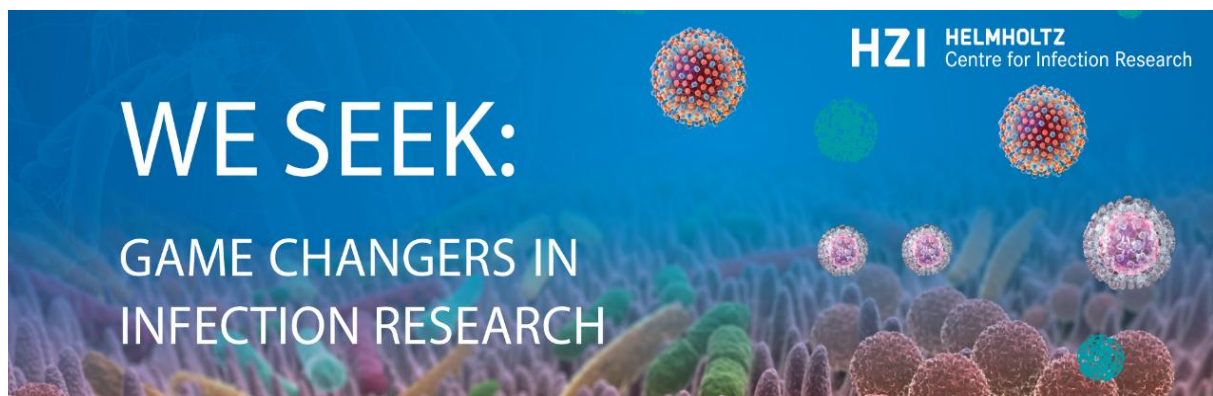


Job advertisement 'International Guest'

Human Microbe Alliance for Universal Health (HUMAN) program

The Helmholtz Centre for Infection Research (HZI) is offering positions for

International Guest Physicians (m/f/d)
in the field of infection research



The Helmholtz Centre for Infection Research (HZI) is Germany's largest academic institution dedicated to infection research. It is a member of the Helmholtz Association, Germany's largest research organization, and a member of the German Center for Infection Research (DZIF).

Within the newly established HUMAN* program, we invite highly qualified **international physicians** embedded in international clinician research groups to join the Helmholtz Centre for Infection Research (HZI) as guest physicians for up to 12 months. The program promotes collaboration and provides valuable research experience for international physicians. Successful applicants will be embedded in fully operational research laboratories and will have access to all infrastructure support the HZI offers.

Your Qualifications:

You are a highly qualified physician **living and working outside Germany** with a clinical focus on infection research.

Specifically, the following requirements must be met:

- **Doctoral degree:** A completed doctoral degree is required; own peer-reviewed publications are desirable. Extracurricular activities that demonstrate interest and commitment to the scientific community and that are evidence of a curious, critical, and reflective mind are also positively evaluated. These include, among others, participation in voluntary services (e.g., voluntary scientific year) or scientific exchange programs, as well as scholarships and awards if applicable.
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively within a diverse, international team
- High motivation to explore translational research
- A structured, proactive, and communicative work style
- Excellent written and spoken English skills

We offer:

Joining the HZI will provide access to top-tier research infrastructure, advanced technologies, and a collaborative network of infection research experts. HZI's emphasis on translational research empowers clinicians to bridge the gap between basic research and clinical application, ultimately driving innovative discoveries for the benefit of the global society. Our offer includes:

- A culture of appreciation and promotion of equal opportunities
- Extensive training and continuing education opportunities
- A family office to support housing, family and childcare options

We are committed to principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI). We expressly welcome applications from qualified women. People with disabilities and equivalent professional qualifications who are suitable for the position are given preference. In order to protect your rights, we ask you to reference the degree of disability in your cover letter or resume.

Duration:	6 - 12 months
Salary:	Stipend of €1,800 per month
Place of work:	Braunschweig or Hannover
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Closing date:	06.08.2025

For further information, please contact Dr. Dirk Spitzer, telephone 0531 6181-2066, email: dirk.spitzer@helmholtz-hzi.de.

How to apply:

When sending us your application documents, **please confirm** that you have read our privacy policy and that you agree to the processing of your personal data. Please use the text module in our [privacy policy](#) for this purpose. **Without these declarations we cannot consider or process your application** and delete any application documents after the deadline.

Please include a cover letter, resume, a research plan (2 pages max.), (employment) references, and a letter of support (LOS) from your current employer confirming continued salary support while working at HZI. Please refrain from sending a photo.

Please send your complete application by [e-mail](#) in **one single (1) pdf document**, quoting the reference '**International Guest**', to the Helmholtz Centre for Infection Research GmbH, Inhoffenstr. 7, 38124 Braunschweig, Germany.

We look forward to receiving your application!

***About HUMAN:**

HUMAN is funded by the Volkswagen Foundation and the Ministry of Science and Culture of Lower Saxony. The program is based on an integrative approach that applies novel technologies, systems biology, medical/life sciences and informatics to understand, predict and therapeutically influence the mechanisms underlying health and disease.

The **HUMAN** program is linked to the BMFTR-funded **Microbial Stargazing (MICROSTAR)** program. MICROSTAR focuses on microbes, their effector mechanisms and adaptation strategies. Together, **HUMAN-MICROSTAR** applies a holistic and comprehensive approach that has the potential to provide groundbreaking insights and new solutions for human health in the context of its microbial environment. For details visit: www.helmholtz-hzi.de/human-microstar.