

**VACANCY NOTICE
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Member States of EMBL (Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the associate member state Australia) are advised that applications are being sought for the following position:

**GROUP LEADER
(5 YEARS IN EUROPE AND 4 YEARS IN AUSTRALIA)**

- Grade: 9
- Commencing Date: In Europe: from mid-2010
- Closing Date: 18 October 2009
- EMBL Site: The group's location is dependent on the successful candidate's preferences and the proposed research programme. Options available include Heidelberg (Germany) and the EMBL Outstations in Hinxton (UK), Grenoble (France), Hamburg (Germany), and Monterotondo (Italy).
- Australian Site: The group leader's location in Australia is dependent on the location of the Australian institution which satisfies Australia's National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) and EMBL that the standard of the proposed programme of research is sufficient to compete for funding from Australian research funding agencies. As such, there are research institutions meeting this requirement in every Australian state or territory.

Applications are invited from suitably qualified scientists wishing to develop their research programme as a group leader at EMBL. In accordance with Australia's associate membership of EMBL, funding from NHMRC is available to support one research group located at one of the five EMBL sites in Europe for a maximum period of five years. The position will then be continued for a further four years at an Australian institution. To be eligible for NHMRC support applicants must be working in a field relevant to human health.

EMBL is an international research organisation offering a highly collaborative, uniquely international culture. It fosters top quality, interdisciplinary research by promoting a vibrant environment consisting of young independent research groups composed of outstanding graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. The scientific programme of EMBL emphasises experimental analysis at multiple levels of biological organisation, from the molecule to the organism, as well as computational biology, bioinformatics and systems biology. In addition to exciting colleagues, the laboratory provides excellent shared facilities for a variety of advanced experimental approaches. High-level expertise is also available in computational biology, diverse aspects of experimental molecular biology as well as physics, biophysics, chemical biology and instrument development.

The successful candidate will lead a research group for a period of five years at the selected EMBL site in Europe and will participate in the collegial culture of EMBL. Following the term in Europe, the candidate will continue as a group leader at an Australian institution. The successful applicant will need to select and finalise arrangements with an approved Australian institution prior to the commencement of placement in Europe. The candidate will also participate in a programme of linking activities with the Australian institution while in Europe.

To apply, please email preferably as a single pdf-file: a cover letter, CV and a concise description of research interests & future research plans, quoting ref. no. VN/09/070 in the subject line, to: application@embl.de. Please also arrange for 3 letters of recommendation to be emailed to: references@embl.de.

EMBL is an inclusive, equal opportunity employer offering attractive conditions and benefits appropriate to an international research organisation.

Further information about EMBL can be obtained at <http://www.embl.org/> and about the position from:

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