

To Whom It May Concern

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**RE: International PhD Programme in Molecular Life Sciences, Vienna**

Dear Colleague

The Vienna BioCenter (VBC) PhD programme was created in 1993 with the aim of providing biology students from all over the world with the possibility for training and research in the attractive scientific environment of the Vienna BioCenter. The PhD degree will be obtained from the Life Sciences Faculty of the Vienna University or the Medical University of Vienna. The Vienna BioCenter International PhD programme in Molecular Life Sciences is the longest running and most successful PhD programme at the Vienna BioCenter. Successful candidates in this programme have access to excellent facilities and remuneration at one of the highest levels in Europe. English is the working language at the Vienna BioCenter.

The Campus is highly multidisciplinary with research areas ranging from molecules to populations: RNA biology, gene regulation and epigenetics; Biochemistry, structural and cell biology; Stem cells and developmental biology; Molecular medicine; Neurosciences; Plant biology; Bioengineering and computational biology; and Evolutionary and population biology. Most important the scientific environment is extremely dynamic and collaborative, you will have numerous opportunities to meet, talk, listen and collaborate with fellow scientists. The PhD Programme offers a flexible curriculum structure, with lectures on scientific topics as well as technical and complementary skills training. Moreover, students contribute to the management of the institutes, through representatives, and organize events that promote networking and career development, such as an annual recess and a symposium.

Highly qualified applicants from all over the world are invited to apply, provided that applicants hold a Master's degree or equivalent from a university in the field of Natural Sciences. It is also possible to apply when the master's degree is received within six months after the application deadline. This university degree should qualify for the start of a doctorate thesis in their home country and ideally should be equivalent to a European university diploma/degree.

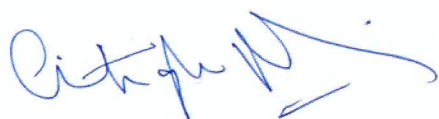
Vienna is consistently rated as one of the top cities in Europe for quality of life. It is a fun, young city embedded in beautiful old buildings, horse-drawn carriages, and traditional coffee houses. It is a modern, international metropolis in the heart of Central Europe, a city with a quality lifestyle and an embraceable joy for living.

Please forward the attached poster to the relevant dept. and/or alert any interested students to our website:

[www.vbcphdprogramme.at](http://www.vbcphdprogramme.at)

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Best regards,



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