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Institution Rush University
Chicago, Illinois

Date Posted Dec. 30, 2024

Application Deadline Open until filled

Position Start Date Available Immediately

Job Categories Research Scientist/Associate
Research Professor

Academic Field(s) Immunology & Infectious Diseases
Microbiology & Virology

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About the Department:

The Department of Microbial Pathogens and Immunity at Rush University Medical Center focuses on translational research in areas such as HIV immunology, neuroscience, and virology and emphasis on host-pathogen interactions. Our faculty are committed to advancing scientific knowledge and improving patient care through innovative research and education. For more information about MPI, please visit [our department page](#).

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Key Responsibilities:

- Develop and sustain an independent research program in microbial pathogens and immunity.
- Secure and manage external funding to support research activities.
- Publish research findings in peer-reviewed journals and present at scientific conferences.
- Teach and mentor students, residents, and fellows in the department.
- Participate in departmental, college, and university service activities.
- Collaborate with faculty across disciplines to advance the institution's research objectives.

Qualifications:

- PhD, MD, or equivalent degree in microbiology, immunology, or a related discipline.
- Postdoctoral experience with a strong record of research accomplishments.
- Demonstrated ability to secure extramural funding.

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- Commitment to excellence in teaching and mentoring.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.

To Apply, please submit the following:

1. Cover letter detailing research interests and career goals.
2. Curriculum vitae
3. Contact information for three professional references

We look forward to your application and the possibility of you joining our dynamic team at Rush University Medical Center.

Rush University System for Health (Rush) is an academic health system whose mission is to improve the health of the individuals and the diverse communities it serves through the integration of outstanding patient care, education, research and community partnerships.

Rush includes Rush University Medical Center, Rush University, Rush Copley Medical Center and Rush Oak Park Hospital, as well as numerous regional outpatient care facilities. Rush University, with more than 2,500 students, is a health sciences university that comprises Rush Medical College, the College of Nursing, and the College of Health Sciences.

Rush is an elite medical community recognized yearly for excellence in patient care, medical discovery and clinical expertise. We are committed to fostering and sustaining a climate and culture wherein all staff, faculty, patients, and students thrive. Our continued pursuits have earned Rush University Medical Center the distinction of being on U.S. News & World Report's Best Hospitals Honor Roll for 2024-2025. This places the Medical Center amongst the top 50 of the more than 5,000 hospitals evaluated. U.S. News & World Report has also recognized eleven Rush programs amongst the nation's best, including top ten national rankings for neurology and neurosurgery and orthopedics. Rush University Medical Center has received Vizient's Quality Leadership Award, ranking second among 99 academic medical centers across the country.

All three Rush hospitals have earned the LGBTQ Healthcare Equality Leader designation in the Healthcare Equality Index. Additionally, Rush has been named as one of the nation's "Best Place to Work for Disability Inclusion" for past six consecutive years. Our physicians, advanced practitioners, nurses and staff are the heartbeat of our health system's ongoing success. We know how important it



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is to recruit and retain exceptional staff and faculty to execute our mission.

We're passionate about health equity: for the communities we serve, for our patients and for our employees. We know that the South and West Sides of Chicago have historically been underserved. As a result, there is a 16-year gap in the life expectancy of someone in Chicago's Loop versus someone in Chicago's West Side. As the largest employer on Chicago's West Side, we take it seriously that our institution can change this. As part of our Anchor Mission strategy, we hire, invest, buy and source, and volunteer locally. We've invested more than \$6 million on the West Side since 2018, and that number continues to grow every year. And, of course, we continue to provide excellent patient care for everyone who comes to Rush.

Join Rush and become part of one of the nation's best healthcare systems.

EEO/AA Policy

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Contact Information

Please reference Academickeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.

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