

## FAQ, Adjunct Principal Investigator Search

### ***What is the purpose of offering Adjunct PI positions at CeMM and LBI-RUD?***

CeMM and LBI-RUD do not want to entice group leaders away from their main affiliation. The institutes cannot offer tenure positions or professorships. It is a way to broaden scientific competence and collaborations and to strengthen and complement the currently Faculty in institute-wide matters, like teaching and training questions. We offer a lively exchange and truly cooperative mindset, which especially helps smaller groups to reach ambitious goals. On papers you will have a dual affiliation, stating your main laboratory first and CeMM/LBI-RUD second.

### ***What happens to third party funds?***

CeMM will offer help in acquiring third party funds, but it is not our intention to act as host institution, which should still be your main affiliation. There is a lot of experience in acquiring ERC grants (Starting, Consolidator, Advanced and Proof-of Concept Grants) and other third party funds, which we are happy to share. Besides administrative support, Adjunct PIs will profit most from critical feedback and the brainstorming of scientific ideas with Faculty members.

### ***Is it possible to extend the group working with CeMM/LBI-RUD?***

Yes, it is possible to enroll additional new students through the PhD program with your own funding. As no laboratory space will be provided it will be difficult to include other scientific or technical staff, except inviting them to seminars and social events.

### ***Why are CeMM/LBI-RUD looking for Adjunct PIs at a starting or consolidator level?***

CeMM and LBI-RUD operate in a unique mode of super-cooperation. This requires time commitment and a special dedication to teamwork across disciplines, and to actively participate in Faculty meetings and brainstorming session. Advanced Investigators usually have a lot of additional tasks and functions which makes regular interactions and a real integration into the CeMM/LBI-RUD Faculty more challenging. However, we do not oppose applications from senior group leaders if the candidate can convince the hiring committee with a plausible time commitment plan.

### ***How much of a time commitment is requested?***

Adjunct PIs need to be present at least 50% of the weekly Friday scientific seminars and Faculty meetings, which means a time commitment of 4 days per months, or more.

### ***Can also candidates outside of Vienna apply?***

Yes, if the Adjunct PI candidate can confirm that attendance in half of the Friday and Faculty meetings is possible, and there is a way in which the PhD student can be fully integrated into the CeMM PhD Program. The PhD Program is a unique blend of practical training, lectures, and mentoring that builds on the guidelines of the Medical University of Vienna, therefore the presence of the student in Vienna is critical. Having a laboratory or host laboratory in Vienna to accommodate the student is essential. This can also be the laboratory of a LBI-RUD or CeMM PI.