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GIMM is recruiting a Postdoctoral Researcher under an Employment Contract - Reference GIMM/CT/9-2026

The GIMM – Gulbenkian Institute for Molecular Medicine is a pioneering Portuguese private research foundation with an ambitious vision for fundamental scientific exploration and its profound impact on global health and well-being. Founded in 2023, GIMM is the result of the merge of two leading research institutes: Instituto de Medicina Molecular João Lobo Antunes (iMM) and Instituto Gulbenkian de Ciência (IGC) and dedicates to unraveling the fundamental mysteries of life and aims to be at the forefront of transdisciplinary research.

What GIMM seeks: At this moment, GIMM is looking for a postdoctoral researcher to join the João Lacerda Laboratory coordinated by João Forjaz de Lacerda, MD PhD, under the research project **“Development of CAR T cell therapies against cancer-specific post-translational modifications”** funded by La Caixa Foundation, to execute the following activities under the supervision of João Lacerda:

- a) Optimization of T cell therapies
- b) Phenotypic characterization of T cell population by flow cytometry
- c) Development of in vitro cancer models to study CAR T cells,
- d) Optimization of methodologies for the development of advanced 3D models of cancer;

Profile of Candidate

- a) PhD in immunology / hematology / oncology / molecular biology, and similar areas.
- b) Mandatory experience with basic cell culture techniques particularly culture of cancer cell lines and primary immune cells.
- c) Experience in some of the following techniques: flow cytometry, bioimaging, 3D in vitro models, organoids, molecular biology/DNA cloning.
- d) Capacity to develop, independently, projects in immune-oncology;

What GIMM offers: GIMM offers an outstanding working conditions including a full time and unfixed-term employment contract predicted to start in April 2026 for the necessary period to execute the work plan. Gross monthly salary of 2294,95€ in accordance with the project budget and internal regulations as well as Holidays and Christmas allowances subject to the current mandatory taxes accordingly to Portuguese Labor Law. A meal allowance will also be paid in the amount of 10.20€ per each working day.

How to apply: Please submit your Motivation Letter, Detailed CV, PhD degree certificate in PDF format to People & Culture Team through the email positions@gimm.pt, with the reference “GIMM/CT/9-2026” in the subject **from 06/03/2026 until 19/03/2026**.

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Note: Candidates who incorrectly formalize their application or do not submit the documents proving the compliance with the requirements indicated in the call will be excluded. The jury has the right to require to any candidate, in case of doubt, to present documents proving their statements.

Non-discrimination and equal access policy: GIMM promotes a non-discrimination and equal access policy, wherefore no candidate can be privileged, benefited, impaired or deprived of any rights whatsoever, or be exempt of any duties based on their ancestry, age, sex, sexual preference, marital status, family and economic conditions, instruction, origin or social conditions, genetic heritage, reduced work capacity, disability, chronic illness, nationality, ethnic origin or race, origin territory, language, religion, political or ideological convictions and union membership.

International environment and experience: Diversity is a fundamental aspect of the essence of GIMM, where researchers and non-researchers of different nationalities, backgrounds and areas of study work together, promoting the exchange of experiences and interactions, contributing to the personal and professional development of each person and to the existence of an international, inclusive and stimulating environment.

Pursuant to Decree-Law nr 29/2001 of 3rd February, disabled candidates shall be preferred in a situation of equal classification, and said preference supersedes any legal preferences. Candidates must declare, on their honour, their respective disability degree, type of disability and communication / expression means to be used during selection period on their application form, under the regulations above.

Evaluation Criteria: Applications will be evaluated by João Forjaz de Lacerda (President of the Jury), Diogo Silva and Marc Veldhoen (all PhD's), in accordance with the following method:

- 1st Phase: Curricular evaluation (35%) and Motivation Letter (35%);
- 2nd Phase: Interview (30%). Only the candidates who score at least 50% in 1st Phase, will be selected for Interview.

Results: Both admitted and excluded candidates list and final classification list shall be communicated to all admitted candidates through email.

Preliminary Hearing and Final Decision Deadline: After notification, all candidates have 10 working days to respond. Panel's final decisions are pronounced within a period of 90 days, from application deadline.

The present call is exclusively aimed at filling the indicated vacancy and may be terminated until the homologation of the final candidates' ranking list and expires with the respective occupation of the position on offer.



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