

Our team is looking for a

**Ph.D. student (f/m/d) or PostDoc (f/m/d)**

**To study amino acid transporter structure and function**

A **Ph.D. student position** (65% TVL E13) for 36 months or a **PostDoc** position (100% TVL E13) for 27 months is available in the group of **PD Dr. Ulrich Hammes** at the Chair of Plant Systems Biology at the School of Life Sciences at TUM in Freising-Weihenstephan jointly with the group of **Prof. Olga Boudker** at Weill Cornell Medical College.

### Research and Tasks

We want to study proton-coupled amino acid transporters from plants. We want to solve the structures of several transporters to understand their transport mechanisms and biophysical properties. The insights gained from the biochemical work will be transferred to plants with the aim of increasing nitrogen efficiency by improving transport through rational design.

### Your Profil

A strong background and interest in protein expression, different expression systems, and purification of membrane proteins, as well as transport physiology, particularly electrophysiology, to characterize transporters are indispensable. A keen interest in plants is desirable. The funding scheme requires the successful candidate to spend time in both institutions. The will to travel and exposure to different lab and social environments is also of critical importance.

### We offer

Weill Cornell Medical College and TUM are elite research environments and provide access to state-of-the-art techniques and equipment required to perform research at the leading edge of science.

Website of the Chair of Plant Systems Biology at TUM: <http://sysbiol.wzw.tum.de>

Website of the Boudker lab at Weill Cornell Medical College: <https://www.boudkerlab.com>

### Application

We are looking forward to your application, including a **letter of motivation** describing your skills and research interest, **your CV**, and contact information for **two references**.

Please send your application documents in a **single PDF** to [ulrich.hammes@tum.de](mailto:ulrich.hammes@tum.de)

The position is **available immediately**. The selection process will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.

TUM aims to increase the proportion of women; qualified women are therefore strongly encouraged to apply.

The position is suitable for severely disabled persons. Severely disabled applicants will be given preference in the event of otherwise essentially equal suitability, ability and professional performance.

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