

## **Immunobiology of Viral Infections**

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## **Post-doctoral position in Immuno-Virology**

A three-year post-doctoral position is currently available in our laboratory starting in **May 2019**, to study immunobiology of **Nipah virus infection** in its natural host and develop novel prophylactic and therapeutic anti-viral approaches. This zoonotic virus, ranked by WHO among top 8 emerging pathogens likely to cause major epidemics, provokes severe disease with high fatality rates, without any existing licensed prevention and treatment, representing thus an ongoing threat to human health globally, and providing an important focus for further research.

Applicants should have a doctoral degree and a strong and productive experience in virology, and/or immunology, with the background in cell and molecular biology, and excellent technical, organization and communication skills. Experience in animal experimentation is beneficial. A strong interest in new emerging viruses, the ability to perform creative and independent research, and high level of motivation is expected. European or Swiss nationality is required by ANR for the position. Salary range will depend on past experience, according to INSERM scales.

The laboratory is hosted within the **CIRI**, the institute dedicated to multi-disciplinary research in infectious diseases in Lyon (**address**: 21 Avenue Tony Garnier, 69007 Lyon, France). The CIRI provides an exciting and multi-cultural environment to carry out research, with topics that range from virology, bacteriology to immunology. The Institute offers state-of-the-art facilities that will be used to carry out the project. CIRI is in close proximity to BSL4 laboratory and also nearby the downtown Lyon, second largest urban area in France.

Closing date for application: 30 Mars 2019, however applications will be considered and reviewed on an ongoing basis and therefore the post may be filled before the deadline.

Please, send your application with the complete CV and contact details for 2-3 referees by mail to: **Branka HORVAT** <branka.horvat@inserm.fr>

### **Selected publications of the host laboratory:**

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