

**Faculty Position in the Research Institute for Microbial Diseases,
The University of Osaka**

Outline	The laboratory of Prof. Kotani, Research Institute for Microbial Diseases, The University of Osaka is studying infectious cancers through humanized mice. The laboratory is now seeking a project member, who has a flexible thinking and can conduct a study using humanized EBV infected lymphoproliferative disease model mice and contribute to develop and harness the strength of research. The successful applicant will be responsible for not only research but also administration of the animal facility and education of liberal arts, undergraduate, and graduate levels.
1. Position	Specially Appointed Assistant Professor (Full-time)
2. Number of Positions	1 (One)
3. Affiliation	Research Institute for Microbial Diseases (Kotani Lab Laboratories Research Institute for Microbial Diseases, The University of Osaka)
4. Work Location	Suita Campus (3-1 Yamadaoka, Suita, Osaka, Japan)
5. Specialized Field	Viral Biology, Hematological Malignancy
6. Responsibilities	Study of infectious cancer using humanized mice. Educational activities for undergraduate and graduate school students Administration
7. Qualifications	[Essential] Applicants must have: (1) A doctoral degree or equivalent professional expertise and/or achievement, or are expected to get a doctoral degree by March 2026. (2) Excellent research achievements in the related fields. (3) Business level or above Japanese and English language proficiency
8. Starting Date	February 1, 2026 (or as soon as possible thereafter)
9. Term of Employment	From the starting date to March 31st, 2027 *Following completion of the term, the contract may be extended subject to continuity of work and performance evaluation. *The maximum cumulative contract term is 10 years from the starting date, based on “Regulations Pertaining to Contract Period of National University Corporation Osaka University Fixed-term Staff, etc.”
10. Probationary Period	6 months
11. Employment Form	Based on “38. Regulations Pertaining to Working Hours, Holidays and Leave for National University Corporation Osaka University Limited Term Staff” https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html *The Discretionary Labor System, Special Work Type will be applied with the applicant’s consent (deemed working hours: 8 hours a day)
12. Salary and Benefits	Based on “48. Salary Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Limited Term Staff (Specially Appointed Staff, etc.) Subject to Annual Salary System” https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html Remuneration: 5,003,400～ JPY per annum. (Monthly payments of one-twelfth of annual salary) *It will be determined according to the responsibilities assigned based on applicant's experiences. Commuting allowance *Bonuses and allowances for housing, dependency, and retirement are included in the above-mentioned annual salary and will not be paid separately.
13. Insurance	Medical insurance and employee’s pension insurance of the Federation of National Public Service Personnel Mutual Aid Associations, Employment Insurance and Industrial Accident Compensation Insurance

14. Application Documents	<p>Applications must be written in English or Japanese and include the following</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Curriculum Vitae *Please use the university form for educational/research positions available at the following website. https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/news/employ/links 2. A list of research achievements (original papers, review papers, books, patents, presentations at domestic and international conferences) 3. Reprints of major original papers 4. Previous awards and their descriptions 5. Summary of previous research and teaching activities (within 2 A4 pages) 6. Aspirations for research and teaching after appointment (within 2 A4 pages) 7. Names, affiliations, and contact information for two references 8. Documentation of English proficiency (e.g., copies of TOEFL, TOEIC, or Eiken test score certificates; descriptions of overseas stays or experience using English in professional settings) <p>*Personal information in the application documents will only be used for the purpose of screening and hiring procedures, and will not be disclosed to any third party.</p>
15. Sending Address and Contact Information	<p>Please submit by e-mail: aikotani@k-lab.jp</p> <p>*Write “Application for Specially Appointed Assistant Professor in EGR OU Master Plan” in the subject line.</p> <p>*Attach the application documents in PDF format (with full security countermeasures).</p> <p>Contact Person: Professor Ai Kotani Tel: +81-463-93-1121(2781) E-mail: aikotani@k-lab.jp</p>
16. Application Deadline	December 11, 2025 5:00PM or until the position is filled (Japan Standard Time)
17. Selection Process	<p>Document screening will be followed by interviews. Notification about the interview will be given only to the applicants who pass the document screening within two weeks after the application deadline..</p> <p>*Travel and accommodation fees necessary for interviews are to be covered by the applicant. For applicants residing overseas, the applicant may request an online interview.</p> <p>*Please note that unsuccessful applicants will not be contacted.</p>
18. Additional Information	<p>Concerning work conditions other than above-mentioned, please refer to “36.Work Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Limited Term Staff” and/or related regulations. https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html</p> <p>Please note the above-mentioned work conditions are as of the day this employment offer is posted, and subject to change.</p> <p>In principle, there will be no changes to the affiliation, work location, or responsibilities after employment.</p> <p>"Deemed exports" related to security export control are based on “Regulations Pertaining to Security Export Control”. Rules and Regulations – The University of Osaka</p> <p>We also particularly encourage applications from female candidates. The University of Osaka is committed to promoting gender equality and providing various supports for female academic staff members. http://www.di.osaka-u.ac.jp/en_lp/</p> <p>*The University of Osaka campuses and related facilities are smoke-free, except for designated areas.</p>
19. Recruiter	The University of Osaka