

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

Outline	In the Department of Microbial Regulation, we are conducting research aimed at elucidating and overcoming the mechanisms of onset of various diseases, including immune disorders, through a detailed understanding of the human microbiome. This recruitment seeks two assistant professors who are enthusiastic about this research, using metagenomic analysis with next-generation sequencers and gnotobiotic animals. We are seeking individuals with flexible thinking who will bring about significant advances in research. In addition to research, the successful candidate will also be involved in graduate school and undergraduate education. Inquiries regarding research content and direction are welcome.
1. Position	Assistant Professor
2. Number of Positions	2 (Two)
3. Affiliation	Research Institute for Microbial Diseases (Department of Microbial Regulation)
4. Work Location	Suita Campus (1-1 Yamadaoka, Suita-City, Osaka, Japan)
5. Specialized Field	Microbiology, Immunology
6. Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ・ Research in the areas described above ・ Educational activities for undergraduate and graduate school students ・ Administrative operations at the University of Osaka and Research Institute for Microbial Diseases
7. Qualifications	<p>[Essential]</p> <p>Applicants must have:</p> <p>(1) A doctoral degree</p> <p>(2) Excellent research achievements in the related field/s</p> <p>(3) Business level or above Japanese and English language proficiency</p>
	<p>[Preferred]</p> <p>Applicants with laboratory techniques necessary for microbiology or immunology research</p>
8. Starting Date	April 1st, 2026
9. Term of Employment	<p>3 years from the starting date</p> <p>*Following the completion of the term, the contract may be extended subject to continuity of work and performance evaluation. However, reappointment is limited to one occurrence, and the term for reappointment will be 3 years.</p> <p>*The maximum cumulative contract term based on “Regulations Pertaining to Contract Period of National University Corporation Osaka University Fixed-term Staff, etc.”</p>
10. Probationary Period	6 months

11. Employment Type	<p>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)</p>
12. Salary and Benefits	<p>Based on “47. Salary Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Limited Term Staff Subject to New Annual Salary System” https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html</p>
13. Insurance	<p>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</p>
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 <p>*Please use the university form for educational/research positions available at the following website. https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/news/employ/links</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. A list of research achievements (original papers, review papers, books, patents, presentations at domestic and international conferences, grants, prizes) 3. Reprints of major original papers (PDF) 4. An outline of research and education achievements (within two A4 pages) 5. A research plan and educational aspirations (within two A4 pages) 6. Name, affiliation, and contact information of two professional referees who are willing to be contacted about the applicant <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:</p> <p>kfujimoto@biken.osaka-u.ac.jp</p> <p>*Write “Application for faculty position (Assistant Professor) in Department of Microbial Regulation” in the subject line. *Attach the application documents in PDF format (with full security countermeasures).</p> <p>Contact Person: Professor Kosuke Fujimoto Tel: +81-6-6879-4251 E-mail: kfujimoto@biken.osaka-u.ac.jp</p>
16. Application Deadline	<p>January 13th, 2026</p>
17. Selection Process	<p>Document screening will be followed by interviews. Selected applicants will be notified within two weeks after the application deadline.</p> <p>*Travel and accommodation expenses 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 the 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 Please note the above-mentioned work conditions are as of the day this employment offer is posted, and subject to change. 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”.</p> <p>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