Professor in Virology

DTU Vet invites applications for a position as professor in virology.

DTU Vet conducts veterinary and medical research, education, scientific advice to public authorities and diagnostic services at the highest level to improve the health and welfare of animals and people in society. The department is national veterinary reference laboratory and is responsible for the laboratory part of the veterinary contingency plan.

DTU Vet plays a central role in creation of the future of veterinary and human medicine through excellence in research, scientific advice, education and diagnostic services. The department achieves this vision by the improvement of an entrepreneurial culture of leadership in basic and strategic research and by incorporating the findings into education, consultancy, and industry partnerships. In collaboration with DTU departments and the veterinary and medical communities, the department will give rise to the next generation of life science oriented engineers.

The professor will be attached to the Section for Virology, one of the five Sections comprising the Department employing 220 persons.

The section for virology strives to increase the current knowledge of new and existing viral pathogens, to bridge both animal and human health and life science and engineering. We collaborate with leading partners, both nationally and internationally, in order to contribute new scientific discoveries, develop innovative tools and services and novel types of interventions. We conduct virus infection experiments from the molecular level to the disease level within a range of appropriate 'state of the art' containment facilities.

Research focus areas:

- DISEASE MECHANISMS Research on the mechanisms underlying virus disease within the natural host animals, on host-pathogen interactions, on virus evolution and adaptation, and on immune-escape mechanisms and vaccine development.
- ONE HEALTH Integrating human and animal health aspects especially activities concerning zoonotic diseases with close contact to the area of human medicine.
- QUANTITATIVE BIOLOGY Building a strong life science engineering coalition around modeling of biological systems and quantitative biology by an increased interaction with relevant engineering institutes at DTU and with external partners.

Responsibilities and tasks

The duties are mainly research and teaching, as well as external collaboration and research management:

- Research (including publication/scientific dissemination duties)
- Teaching
- Complementing the ongoing research activities in the section for virology within one of or a combination of the sections research focus areas.
- Integrating the virology research program with engineering activities at DTU
- Attract external research funding
- Innovation activities
- Supervision of PhD students and post docs
- Other duties:
 - Knowledge sharing at the institute, at DTU and with the public
 - o Academic assessment work

The professor is expected to establish synergies between his/her own research and other related research activities, and to develop fruitful collaborations with other research groups both within the

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The successful candidate is expected to take a lead position in teaching at the bachelor-, masterand PhD levels.

Qualifications

The qualification requirements will be a positive professor evaluation. It should be noted, however, that emphasis will be placed on research excellence, on being in possession of documented original scientific production and on documented ability to attract external research funding.

The qualification requirements are as follows:

- A high degree of original scientific production at the international level that has contributed to the further development of a research field
- Teaching
- High productivity and profiling
- Initiative and impact on sponsors, clients and collaboration partners
- Significant contribution to research and PhD supervision

Assessment

In the assessment of the candidates consideration will be given to

- the ability to teach
- scientific production at international level, research potential and ability to lead and develop a research team
- the ability to promote and utilize research results
- experience with innovation activities
- an all-round experience basis, including international experience
- the ability to contribute to the development of the Department's internal and external cooperation
- track record in attracting funding to the research area
- visions within the research area

For the specific position consideration will also be given to:

- collaboration with industry
- experience with development of new educational programs

Salary and terms of employment

The appointment will be based on the collective agreement with the Confederation of Professional Associations. The allowance will be agreed with the relevant union.

Further information

Further information may be obtained from Head of Department Kristian Møller, krmol@vet.dtu.dk, +45 7234 6189.

You can read more about DTU Vet on www.vet.dtu.dk

Application procedure:

Please submit your online application no later than XXX 2014. Apply online at www.career.dtu.dk.

Applications must be submitted as **one pdf file** containing all materials to be given consideration. To apply, please open the link "Apply online," fill in the online application form, and attach **all your materials in English in one pdf file**. The file must include:

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- Application (cover letter) addressed to the President
- CV
- List of publications indicating scientific highlights
- Documentation of teaching experience
- A plan for future research

All interested candidates irrespective of age, gender, disability, race, religion or ethnic background are encouraged to apply.

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