Assistant Professor Position in Immunology
Department of Microbiology

The Department of Microbiology at the University of Tennessee is seeking candidates for a tenure-track faculty appointment at the Assistant Professor level utilizing molecular, genetic and/or biochemical approaches to study the immune response to microbes. Minimum requirement is a PhD. Two or more years of postdoctoral experience, including academic, research, government, and industry settings, are preferred. The successful candidate is expected to establish an innovative, externally funded research program and to contribute to the departmental teaching mission at the undergraduate and graduate levels, with specific emphasis in immunology. Specific areas of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Disease models with an immunological component
- Plant/microbe immune responses
- Biochemical approaches to investigate protein, carbohydrate and/or lipid-mediated immune responses
- Innate or adaptive immune responses to microbes or their hosts

Our faculty (http://micro.utk.edu/) have broad interests in microbial pathogenesis and microbial ecology. Our labs work with archaeal, bacterial, fungal, protozoan, and viral models in diverse hosts and environments. Candidates with experimental approaches that complement or strengthen any of these areas will be given full consideration. Our department has strong interdisciplinary ties to engineering, chemistry, veterinary science, and mathematics, as well as the UT Institute of Agriculture (UTIA), Oak Ridge National Lab (ORNL), National Institute of Mathematical and Biological Sciences (NIMBioS), and the University of Tennessee Medical Center in Knoxville. A competitive salary and generous start-up package, as well as laboratory space in a new state-of-the art facility, are available. Faculty have access to multiple core facilities on campus (tiny.utk.edu/core-facilities) including state-of-the art animal facility, genomics core, imaging core (microscopy.utk.edu), mass-spectrometry core, flow cytometers and sorters.

The Knoxville campus of the University of Tennessee is seeking candidates who have the ability to contribute in meaningful ways to the diversity and intercultural goals of the University.

Interested applicants should submit a (i) a cover letter; (ii) CV; (iii) contact information for at least three references; (iv) research statement; (v) teaching philosophy; (vi) a diversity, equity and inclusivity statement, and (vii) two papers that best represents the applicant’s contribution to science/society along with a brief statement (one paragraph justification) to http://apply.interfolio.com/92241. References from a selected pool of candidates will be contacted after an initial application review. Review of applications will begin on October 31, 2021 and will continue until the position is filled. For questions, contact immunology_search@utk.edu.

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