Principal Research Scientist (Immunology)

The Vaccine and Infectious Disease Organization (VIDO), Canada’s Centre for Pandemic Research, is a world leader in infectious disease research and vaccine development for humans and animals. Located at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon, Canada, VIDO is home to one of the largest and most advanced containment level 3 facilities in the world. To strengthen the preparedness for emerging infectious diseases we are currently expanding our infrastructure to include containment level 4 capacity, a GMP vaccine manufacturing facility, and a new animal housing facility. Our vision includes having the capacity to study any emerging disease in any animal model embracing a One Health approach to prevent emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases in humans and animals.

We are seeking a Principal Research Scientist in Immunology to join our team, reporting to the Director of Research.

**Position Summary:**

The successful candidate will lead an independent, externally funded, and competitive research program that aligns with the goals of the organization and supports the development of knowledge, tools, or products to protect the world from infectious disease. The successful candidate will be expected to supervise trainees and technicians, and contribute to knowledge transfer, community, and stakeholder engagement.

**Qualifications:**

- Applicants must have a PhD and/or DVM/MD with a minimum of 3 years of relevant experience and a proven record of research contribution in molecular or cellular immunology.
- Relevant research experience demonstrating advanced knowledge of immunological mechanisms and relevant peer-reviewed publications is essential.
- Demonstrated success in obtaining external research funding and in supervision of trainees is highly desirable.
- Effective organizational, time management skills, and prioritization skills as well as effective verbal and written communication skills are required.
- Applicants must have ability to work effectively as a team member.

Appointments will be made as full-time permanent Principal Research Scientist joining VIDO’s team of internationally recognized Principal Research Scientists working in fields of Virology, Bacteriology, Immunology and Vaccine Development. Furthermore, VIDO has a team of veterinarians and animal care technicians with extensive experience in the humane care and conduct of infectious disease research in biocontainment using a variety of large and small animal models. Appointed candidates will receive generous start-up support and a starting salary highly competitive with comparable academic positions in Canada. A comprehensive benefits package, including health & dental, life insurance, pension plan, and six weeks’ vacation is part of a competitive compensation package.

**Status:** Permanent  
**Employment Group:** Non-Union  
**Shift:** Monday - Friday, 7.5 hours per day (37.5 hours per week)  
**Full Time Equivalent (FTE):** 1.0

The successful applicant will be required to provide the following current verification(s) where 'Yes' is indicated below. Further information on background checks is available at: [https://careers.usask.ca/tips-for-applying.php#Howtoapplyforaposition](https://careers.usask.ca/tips-for-applying.php#Howtoapplyforaposition)
Facility Access Screening including Criminal Record Check: Yes
Driver’s License and Abstract Check: Not Applicable
Education/Credential Verification: Yes
Vulnerable Sector Check: Not Applicable

Interested candidates are asked to submit their application including a cover letter, CV, and the names of three references online via the following link: https://vido.applytojobs.ca/research/19250

Review of applications will begin immediately; however, applications will be accepted and evaluated until the position is filled. We thank all applicants for their interest; only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

For more information visit: vido.org

With a population of 266,000, Saskatoon offers a vibrant culture and arts scene and a full range of leisure opportunities. The University of Saskatchewan is one of Canada’s top 15 medical universities and offers a world-class research environment with faculties and colleges in all relevant disciplines, the only Canadian Synchrotron, the Global Institute for Food Safety, and the Global Institute for Water Safety.

The University believes equity, diversity, and inclusion strengthen the community and enhance excellence, innovation and creativity. We are dedicated to recruiting individuals who will enrich our work and learning environments. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, in accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority. We are committed to providing accommodations to those with a disability or medical necessity. If you require an accommodation in order to participate in the recruitment process, please notify us and we will work together on the accommodation request. The University of Saskatchewan’s main campus is situated on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis. We pay our respects to the First Nations and Métis ancestors of this place and reaffirm our relationship with one another. Together, we are uplifting Indigenization to a place of prominence at the University of Saskatchewan.