

Ruhr-Universität Bochum (Ruhr University of Bochum – RUB) is acknowledged as one of the leading research universities in Germany. As a reform-oriented campus university, it uniquely combines the entire range of key academic disciplines. The dynamic interaction between the various subjects and branches of science offers researchers and students alike excellent opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration.

The Universitätsklinikum der Ruhr-Universität Bochum (UK-RUB) is a syndicate of teaching hospitals and specialist medical facilities in the Bochum, Herne, and Ostwestfalen-Lippe region that work in partnership with the Ruhr University. The UK-RUB stands for exceptional patient care in conjunction with outstanding research and teaching in the field of university medicine.

The Department of Neurology at St. Josef-Hospital is seeking to fill the position of

**University Professor (equivalent to pay grade W2) in Clinical and Translational
Neurodegeneration**

The Department of Neurology at St. Josef-Hospital (Department Director: Prof. Ralf Gold, M.D.) is a high-performance specialist department affiliated with the Ruhr University of Bochum, equipped with the full range of state-of-the-art facilities for diagnosis and treatment. With a current capacity of 110 beds, including a certified 10-bed stroke unit, it treats over 4,500 inpatients and 6,000 outpatients annually. The department focuses on neuroimmunological and neurovascular disorders, in addition to covering the broad field of neurodegenerative and neurogenetic diseases. The clinic enjoys national and international recognition for its expertise in the treatment of neuroimmunological diseases and the advancement of therapies, especially for multiple sclerosis, myasthenia gravis, and CIDP. St. Josef-Hospital Bochum is also home to the Center for Movement Disorders and Neurodegenerative Diseases of the Medical Faculty of the Ruhr University of Bochum. Additionally, the Department of Neurology at St. Josef-Hospital conducts in-depth research into neuroimmunological diseases, while another focus of clinical research is on cerebrovascular diseases.

Applicants are expected to possess extensive clinical expertise in the field of neurodegenerative diseases, qualifying them to assume responsibility for the management of the neurodegeneration unit in both outpatient and inpatient care. The clinical role is to be performed at a senior physician level. The successful candidate will work in close partnership with other departments as well as with neurologists in private practice. Within the discipline of neurology, the incumbent will be expected to represent established and translational therapeutic approaches for primary neurodegenerative diseases in patient care, research, and teaching. Furthermore, we are looking to attract candidates with an excellent record of publications in the field of neurodegeneration, including close interdisciplinary ties to related research fields.

The successful candidate will be expected to integrate into the Faculty's principal research areas (oncology, neurosciences, and protein sciences).

Ideally, this will be complemented by clinical-scientific collaborative efforts with institutions of the Faculty of Medicine and the UK-RUB in the current focal areas of research and development as well as participation in existing and future collaborative research projects. The position involves close cooperation with the ProDi research consortium and the Medical Proteome Center at the Ruhr University of Bochum.

Among the key prerequisites for this role are a junior professorship with a positive evaluation, a post-doctoral lecturing qualification or equivalent academic achievements as well as proof of special aptitude for academic teaching and a commitment to participating in academic self-administration. This will be complemented by proof of board certification as a specialist (equivalent to "Facharztanerkennung" in Germany) in Neurology. Other credentials:

- A high level of commitment to teaching
- Willingness to engage in interdisciplinary academic work
- Desire and demonstrable ability to acquire externally funded research projects

The appointment procedures will be conducted by Ruhr-Universität Bochum in agreement with Katholisches Klinikum Bochum as the body responsible for St. Josef-Hospital. Employment will be on the basis of an employment contract under private law. Affiliation with the University shall be governed by the provisions set out in Section 9 (2) HG NRW.

RUB and Katholisches Klinikum Bochum stand for diversity and equal opportunities. With this in mind, we are committed to fostering collaboration within diverse teams and promoting the careers of those who are underrepresented in their respective areas of work. RUB expressly encourages applications from women. As regards areas in which they are underrepresented, they will be given preferential consideration in those instances in which they are equally qualified. We also welcome applications from people with disabilities.

Applications must be submitted with the standard supporting documents (curriculum vitae, academic background and research proposal, academic transcripts, certificates, list of publications, offprints of five representative publications, details of external funding, and a list of courses taught, including teaching concept), as well as the Faculty of Medicine application form (<https://www.medizin.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/medizinische-fakultaet/akademische-verfahren/berufung>), exclusively in digital form within six weeks to:

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