

## **JUNIOR (W1) PROFESSORSHIP OF “HEALTH DATA PRIVACY”, WITH TENURE TRACK**

Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin is one of the largest university hospitals in Europe, where physicians and researchers provide clinical care, research and teaching of the highest international standard. The Charité represents a single medical faculty that serves both the Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin and the Freie Universität Berlin, and is esteemed worldwide for its excellence in teaching and training. The Charité extends over four campuses, and has close to 100 different departments and institutes, which make up a total of 17 different CharitéCenters.

Applications are invited for the following position at the Berlin Institute of Health (BIH) at Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin in the Medical Informatics Group, to commence as soon as possible:

Junior (W1) Professorship of “Health Data Privacy”, with tenure track

(initially limited to 3 years, with tenure track to W2)

Salary bracket: W1 under the BbesG-ÜfBE

(Federal Civil Service Remuneration Act in its transitional version for Berlin)

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The professorship is funded by the Joint Federal Government-Länder Funding Program for Junior Academics (the Tenure-Track Program). The call for applications is accordingly directed at academics in the first few years after their doctorate. Women are strongly encouraged to apply. The aim is to achieve a proportion of fifty percent women among those awarded tenure-track professorships funded by the program.

The Charité and the Berlin Institute of Health (BIH) understand health data privacy as a holistic concept that enables data to be used for the benefit of patients, while, at the same time, preventing misuse. In particular, the successful candidate is to strengthen the core research areas of medical informatics and clinical translational sciences and establish a pioneering profile for the field of health data privacy in patient-centered data infrastructures for translational research and learning health systems by developing innovative methods and testing them in practice.

In addition to the development of innovative methods, the Charité and BIH also offer an environment in which these can be applied: for example, they can provide impetus when setting up pseudonymization and consent management solutions at the Charité and when establishing governance structures for data sharing and shared data analyses or be used to test patient apps for digital consent procedures in collaboration with the Clinical Study Center.

The professorship is in principle endowed with a tenure track. The junior professorship is initially limited to three years and will be extended for a further three years if the probationary period is judged to be successful. In the penultimate year of the maximum six-year tenure-track phase, following a successful tenure evaluation and given the formal requirements for employment are met, the incumbent will be transferred to a lifetime associate (W2) professorship, in accordance with § 102c of the Berlin Higher Education Act (BerlHG). Procedures, processes and performance criteria are set out

in Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin's statute governing tenure-track professorships [[www.charite.de/en/tenuretrack](http://www.charite.de/en/tenuretrack)].

The successful candidate will be responsible for research and teaching in the field of health data privacy. The main duties of the future post holder include:

- Developing new methods in the field of health data privacy and testing these in practice
- Collegial collaboration with scientific structures at the Charité and BIH, in particular, the Translation Hubs of the BIH, the Clinical Study Center and the QUEST Center
- Intensifying international collaborations with research groups in the field of health data privacy as well as contributions to local, national and pan-European projects
- Taking account of gender and diversity in research proposals, in terms of both subject matter and staffing

The successful candidate will have the opportunity to participate in relevant core research areas and research alliances/cross-faculty research networks – e.g., the National Research Network of University Medicine (NUM), the National Research Data Infrastructure for Personal Health Data (NFDI4Health) and the HiGHmed Consortium of the Medical Informatics Initiative (MII) – and research training groups of the Charité (<https://www.charite.de/en/research>), as well as advance collaborations with other clinical institutions.

Applicants should have:

- Research achievements in the field of data privacy, documented by relevant initial publications in leading international journals or conferences, as well as further academic achievements appropriate for the early stage of one's career

Formal requirements as per § 102a of the Berlin Higher Education Act (BerlHG) are a successfully completed university degree in computer science, medical informatics, bioinformatics, or another subject relevant for this professorship, as well as an outstanding doctorate, a particular talent for academic work and an aptitude for teaching.

The Charité is committed to increasing the proportion of women among its scientific staff; we therefore strongly encourage women to apply. In the event of equally qualified applicants, women will be given preference over men (within the scope of what is permitted by law). Applicants with disabilities will be given preference over equally qualified non-disabled applicants. We value diversity and therefore welcome all applications – regardless of gender, nationality, social background, religion or age.

The Charité is certified by the “family-friendly university” audit and is a member of the “Dual Career Network Berlin” ([www.dualcareer-berlin.de](http://www.dualcareer-berlin.de)).

Written applications should be submitted together with your conceptual ideas, following the format and requirements outlined at [https://career.charite.de/am/calls/application\\_notes.pdf](https://career.charite.de/am/calls/application_notes.pdf), by 18.05.2021 at <https://career.charite.de>.

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Formal questions relating to the application process should be addressed to: [berufungen@charite.de](mailto:berufungen@charite.de).