The Max Planck Institute of Psychiatry in Munich (Germany) invites applications from outstanding scientists for **two open positions of**

**Max Planck Research Group leader (m/f/d) (W2)**

**in the field of basic or molecular and translational psychiatric research**

The Max Planck Institute of Psychiatry located in Munich, Germany ([http://www.psych.mpg.de/en](http://www.psych.mpg.de/en)) is one of the leading research institutes worldwide investigating the neurobiology of psychiatric disorders. The Institute combines state of the art facilities for basic research and a research hospital, fostering truly translational approaches to unravel the fundamental neuronal and molecular mechanisms underlying these complex diseases of the brain. Our Institute currently focuses on molecular pathomechanisms of stress-related diseases, as well as neuronal circuit mechanisms of emotion regulation in animal models employing methods ranging from _in vitro_ to _in vivo_ models and patient data.

We are looking for outstanding scientists with an original and exciting research program addressing relevant and timely questions in the field of basic neurosciences, molecular and translational psychiatry, or tackling questions related to any psychiatry-related topic.

The position holder will lead an independent research group, with generous funds for positions, start-up investments, and annual running costs. The position is considered equivalent to a W2 Professorship at a German university (Associate professor level internationally). The appointment is initially for 5 years but includes the possibility of a merit-based extensions for up to 4 years. The group will have access to the institutional infrastructure and core service units including animal and transgenic facilities, microscopy, biobanking, next generation sequencing, clinical study center and more. PhD students may be enrolled through the international PhD program IMPRS-TP (Traditional PhD and joint Residency/PhD training program, [https://www.imprs-tp.mpg.de/](https://www.imprs-tp.mpg.de/)) or the Graduate School in Systemic Neuroscience (GSN, [https://www.gsn.uni-muenchen.de/](https://www.gsn.uni-muenchen.de/)).

The MPI of Psychiatry is an international research institute with English as the working language. We are committed to equal opportunity principles and try to accommodate the needs of families and of disabled employees ([https://www.psych.mpg.de/2348123/equality](https://www.psych.mpg.de/2348123/equality)).

For inquiries regarding this offer, please send an e-mail to Elisabeth Binder ([mailto:binder@psych.mpg.de](mailto:binder@psych.mpg.de)) or Nadine Gogolla ([mailto:ngogolla@psych.mpg.de](mailto:ngogolla@psych.mpg.de)).

Please send your application via our online tool ([https://imprs-tp.cloud.opencampus.net/node/3793](https://imprs-tp.cloud.opencampus.net/node/3793)) and provide the following documents:

1. Detailed CV including your publication list
2. Two letters of recommendation to be sent to our scientific coordinator, Imke Goedecke ([mailto:imke_goedecke@psych.mpg.de](mailto:imke_goedecke@psych.mpg.de)).
3. A concise research statement (including one page of scientific accomplishments and max. 2 pages of future plans)

Application deadline: April 18th, 2022

Short-listed candidates will be invited to present a talk at an online selection symposium to be held in the first week of June.