

**2023 Recruitment Information**  
**Designated Associate Professors**  
**Center for One Medicine Innovative Translational Research**  
**Gifu University Institute for Advanced Study**

July 3, 2023

1. Objectives

The Center for One Medicine Innovative Translational Research (COMIT) at Gifu University seeks to recruit three outstanding young researchers in the field of life sciences to engage in leading-edge projects focused on translational research on human and animal disease.

**Potential candidates include:**

Individuals who can contribute to the development of novel pharmaceuticals and medical devices based on the concept of One Medicine, through the OMICS research approach (e.g., single-cell analysis of transcriptome and epigenome) to facilitate comparative medicine between humans and animals. Their contributions should include the identification of targets for the diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of diseases in humans and animals.

Individuals who can contribute to the development of novel pharmaceuticals and medical devices based on the concept of One Medicine, the creation and analysis of disease model animals and organoids from the perspective of comparative medicine between humans and animals. Their contributions should include the evaluation of seeds that contribute to the diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of diseases in humans and animals.

Individuals who can contribute to the development of novel pharmaceuticals and medical devices based on the concept of One Medicine, through the cutting-edge imaging techniques (e.g., *in vivo* 2-photon imaging) to facilitate comparative medicine between humans and animals. Their contributions should include the identification of targets for the diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of diseases in humans and animals.

**2. Number of recruits: 3**

**3. Positions and Salaries:**

1. Position: Designated associate professor
2. The annual salary and working conditions are according to Gifu University's regulations, with potential salary increases based on performance.
3. Holidays: Saturdays, Sundays, National Holidays, Year-End and New Year holidays (December 29 to January 3).  
Vacation: Annual paid leaves, Special leaves
4. Insurance: Health insurance (National Public Service Personnel Mutual Aid Associations), Employees' Pension Insurance, employment insurance, and worker's compensation insurance
5. Working hours are based on the discretionary labor system for specialized duties, with a deemed working time of 7 hours and 45 minutes per day assumed.

6. The appointed faculty members (hereinafter referred to as "designated faculty members") will belong to Gifu University Institute for Advanced Study's Center for One Medicine Innovative Translational Research (hereinafter referred to as "the Center"). The designated faculty members will be provided with research environments including laboratory space and equipment. The designated faculty members are expected to contribute on occasion to educational activities in their specialized field in collaboration with relevant graduate schools and faculties within the university.
7. The designated faculty members will be provided with startup research funds (a maximum of 5 million yen over a period of 2 years).
8. The place of employment will be Gifu University.

#### **4. Eligibility:**

Applicants must have the doctoral degree granted by an accredited graduate school within 15 years of April 1, 2024 in principle or expect the degree by April 1, 2024. The 15-year period can be extended in consideration of career interruptions due to maternity or other life events. In case applicants have career interruptions, he/she must enter the information in the application form.

#### **5. Time of appointment:**

Employment will begin December 1, 2023 or as soon after as practicable.

(Start of Employment will be determined through consultations)

#### **6. Term of appointment:**

5 years

After three years of the five-year term of employment, tenure review will be conducted for promotion to Associate Professor or Professor at Gifu University.

Note: In cases where the administrative leave stipulated in Article 15, childcare leave in Article 40, and family care leave (hereinafter called as "administrative leave, etc.") in Article 41 of the Tokai National Higher Education and Research System Employee Work Rules are taken, the term of employment may be extended in units of months, up to the maximum length for the administrative leave. However, this term of employment, resulting from adding an extended term to the initial term, shall not exceed 10 years, to be counted from the starting date of the term of employment at Gifu University.

#### **7. Application:**

Documents must be submitted electronically [PDF, single space] and must include the application form (Form 1), a copy of the certificate of degree, three major accomplishments such as publications and two reference letters. In addition, "Entry sheet" (Forms 2) [Excel format]\* needs to be submitted with indication of one or more desired divisions that applicants want to join from the following three COMIT divisions: "Animal Veterinary Science Research Division," "Innovative Modality Creation Division," and "Advanced Medical Device Development Division" (See our homepage for each division: <https://comit.gifu-u.ac.jp/divisions/>) as well as "Self-Declaration on Specific Categories"\*\*\*

\*File name: 2023COMIT\_Special\_Appointment\_Application\_Form\_(Applicant's\_Name)

\*\* Self-Declaration on Specific Categories

As of November 2021, with the clarification of the managed items in the "Deemed Export" based on the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act (FEFTA), the provision of sensitive technologies to faculty members, staff, and students in universities and research institutions has become subject to the control of FEFTA. Therefore, when applying to this university as a faculty member, it is necessary to submit a "Self-declaration of Applicability to a Specific Type" based on the "Flowchart for Determining Applicability to a Specific Type." In addition, a "Pledge Form" must be submitted upon appointment.

**Submit application documents to:**

COMIT Support Team, Research Promotion Division, Research Promotion Administrative Department, Gifu University

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**8. Deadline of Application**

Submit your application by Thursday, August 31, 2023, noon (Japan Standard Time)

**9. Selection Process**

The selection process will be two-stage evaluation conducted by the Selection Committee established by the Institute for Advanced Study. The first stage is document screening; the second stage is an interview. The interviews are tentatively scheduled to take place in early November 2023 and will be primarily conducted in person.

**10. Other Information**

As the evaluation will involve diverse experts in the field of life sciences, please ensure that the documents are clear and can be understood by general readers. Also, please make sure that you read every notice before filling in the application form. For the second-stage evaluation, an optional seminar is desirable; travel and accommodation expenses are the responsibility of the applicant. The specific details will be provided together with the results of the first-stage screening. First-stage screening results should be expected around the end of September, second-stage results in early November. Application documents cannot not be returned; strict confidentiality will be maintained. Inquiries about the evaluation results are not accepted. Preference will be given to female candidates when qualifications are deemed equivalent.

**11. Contact Information**

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