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# Postdoctoral position in the Chemokines in Immunity laboratory

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## Introduction

The Chemokines in Immunity laboratory at the Institute for Research in Biomedicine (IRB, Bellinzona, Switzerland) is recruiting a highly motivated postdoctoral fellow to join the team, under the supervision of Dr. Valentina Cecchinato. The candidate will contribute to gaining insights into the development and evolution of natural autoantibodies targeting the chemokine system upon HIV-1 infection, as well as understanding the biological relevance of this phenomenon for the disease.

For additional information on the laboratory of Chemokines in Immunity/Dr. Valentina Cecchinato, please visit: <https://irb.usi.ch/chemokines-in-immunity/>

## About Us

The Institute for Research in Biomedicine (IRB) is a leading center for basic and translational research in immunology. Located in the town of Bellinzona, Switzerland, IRB offers a vibrant and collaborative research environment, fostering innovation and excellence.

## Requirements

- A Ph.D. in Immunology, Biochemistry, Molecular Biology, or a related field.
- Expertise in immunological techniques, including flow cytometry, ELISA, and cell culture.
- Strong background in HIV/AIDS research and previous experience on *in-vivo* models of infectious diseases are a plus.
- Excellent communication skills and the ability to work effectively in a collaborative research environment.

## Funding and Duration

The project is funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF). Preferred starting date is September 2024. The position is for 24 months (possible extension to 48 months).

## How to apply

Interested candidates should submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, a brief statement of research interests, and contact information for two professional references to Dr. Valentina Cecchinato ([valentina.cecchinato@irb.usi.ch](mailto:valentina.cecchinato@irb.usi.ch))

## Application Deadline

July 1<sup>st</sup> 2024