

Faculty Position in the International Center for Biotechnology, The University of Osaka

Outline	The International Center for Biotechnology has established a long-standing international network, particularly with countries in Southeast Asia, and promotes education and research in the field of biotechnology while fostering academic and human resource exchange with these regions. In this call, we seek applicants who are motivated to conduct research in biotechnology for manufacturing, addressing global challenges such as climate change and food security. In particular, candidates who can advance interdisciplinary research in collaboration with domestic and international institutions and contribute to the development of doctoral talent with both deep expertise and broad perspectives are strongly encouraged to apply. The successful candidate will be expected to engage in research as well as teaching at both undergraduate and graduate levels. In addition, they will be involved in developing international collaborative research initiatives, primarily with Southeast Asian partners, and in planning and managing student exchange programs that contribute to the recruitment of outstanding international students and the enhancement of global competencies among domestic students. Inquiries regarding the research field or international collaboration policies are welcome prior to application.
1. Position	Professor
2. Number of Positions	1 (One)
3. Affiliation	International Center for Biotechnology
4. Work Location	Suita Campus (2-1 Yamadaoka, Suita-City, Osaka, Japan)
5. Specialized Field	Biotechnology, particularly those for bio-manufacturing
6. Responsibilities	• Research in the areas described above. • Education and research supervision for graduate and undergraduate students, including international students • Promotion of academic and human resource exchange with universities and research institutes in Southeast Asia • Administrative duties in ICBiotech and the University of Osaka.
7. Qualifications	[Essential] Applicants must: (1) Have a doctoral degree. (2) Have excellent research achievements in the related field. (3) Teach lectures, tutorials, and laboratory courses in the Biotechnology Course of the Division of Applied Science, School of Engineering, and in the Department of Biotechnology, Graduate School of Engineering. (4) Have a proven track record of actively engaging in education and research activities abroad, particularly in Southeast Asia. (5) Be able to plan and implement exchanging programs for sending Japanese students overseas and accepting international students. (6) Have international collaborative research achievements, and develop them to publish their output to the society. (7) Have Japanese language proficiency of business level or above. [Preferred] Experience in supervising undergraduate and graduate students The ability to supervise students in English is desirable.
8. Starting Date	April 1, 2027 (or as soon as possible thereafter)
9. Term of Employment	No Fixed Term (Until the end of the fiscal year of age 65)

10. Probationary Period	6 months
11. Employment Form	Based on “6. Regulations Pertaining to Working Hours, Holidays and Leave for National University Corporation Osaka University Staff” https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html *The Discretionary Labor System, Special Work Type will be applied with the applicant’s consent. (deemed working hours: 8 hours a day)
12. Salary and Benefits	Based on “18. Salary Regulations for National University Corporation Osaka University Staff Subject to New Annual Salary System” https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html
13. Insurance	Medical insurance and employee’s pension insurance of the Federation of National Public Service Personnel Mutual Aid Associations, Employment Insurance and Industrial Accident Compensation Insurance
14. Application Documents	Applications must be written in English or Japanese and include the following 1. A Curriculum Vitae *Please use the university form for educational/research positions available at the following website. https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/news/employ/links 2. A list of research achievements (original papers, review papers, books, patents, presentations at international and domestic conferences, awards. Internationally co-authored papers should be highlighted by underline.) 3. Copies of major original papers (up to five papers) 4. Social activities, including activities at your research society and conference organization, etc. 5. Track record of obtaining competitive external grants, such as KAKENHI (Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research), including your role, such as PI or co-investigator 6. Outline of your achievements in research, education, and international activities (within two A4 pages for each) 7. Your plans and aspirations for research, education, and international activities (within two A4 pages for each) 8. Name, affiliation, and contact information of three professional referees who are willing to be contacted about the applicant (at least one of whom must be from a country other than the applicant’s home country) 9. Copies of English proficiency certificate such as TOEFL, IELTS, TOEIC scores, a description of periods of residency outside Japan that demonstrate your English ability, or English related job experiences (Only for those whose primary language is not English) *Personal information in the application documents will only be used for the purpose of screening and hiring procedures, and will not be disclosed to any third party.
15. Sending Address and Contact Information	Please submit the application documents by email to the address below, either as attached files or by providing a URL from which the files can be downloaded. honda.kohsuke.icb@osaka-u.ac.jp *Write “Application for faculty position in ICBiotech” in the subject line. *Attach the application documents in PDF format (with full security countermeasures). Contact Person: Professor Kohsuke Honda Tel: +81-6-6879-7438 E-mail: honda.kohsuke.icb@osaka-u.ac.jp URL: https://www.icb.osaka-u.ac.jp/home-en/
16. Application Deadline	October 30, 2026 (Japan Standard Time)

17. Selection Process	Document screening will be followed by interviews. Selected applicants will be notified within three weeks after the application deadline. *Travel and accommodation expenses necessary for interviews are to be covered by the applicant. For applicants residing overseas, the applicant may request an online interview. *Please note that unsuccessful applicants will not be contacted.
18. Additional Information	Concerning work conditions other than the above-mentioned, please refer to “36.Work Regulations for National University Corporation The University of Osaka Limited Term Staff” and/or related regulations. https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/information/joho/kitei_shugyou.html Please note the above-mentioned work conditions are as of the day this employment offer is posted, and subject to change. After employment, the affiliation, work location, and responsibilities may be subject to change within the limits set by the University. “Deemed exports” related to security export control are based on “Regulations Pertaining to Security Export Control”. Rules and Regulations – The University of Osaka We also particularly encourage applications from female candidates. The University of Osaka is committed to promoting gender equality and providing various supports for female academic staff members. http://www.di.osaka-u.ac.jp/en_lp/ *The University of Osaka campuses and related facilities are smoke-free, except for designated areas.
19. Recruiter	National University Corporation The University of Osaka