

INTERNATIONAL CALL IC78_25

JOB TITLE

Research suport on Pediatric nutrition

Researcher career profile (R1)

JOB DESCRIPTION

The Pere Virgili Institute for Health Research (IISPV) is an institution that integrates research in the field of biomedicine in the “Camp de Tarragona” and the “Terres de l’Ebre”. The IISPV is the instrument that the university hospitals of both health regions have been endowed with (Joan XXIII University Hospital of Tarragona, Verge de la Cinta Hospital of Tortosa, Sant Joan de Reus University Hospital, Institut Pere Mata University Hospital of Reus) and Rovira and Virgili University, in order to bring together and manage biomedical research and innovation in the territory.

This position is published by the **PEDINUR Team** (the pediatric nutrition and development research team) at IISPV, undertaking research activity at Facultat de Medicina i Ciències de la Salut URV, Joan XXIII University Hospital of Tarragona and at Sant Joan de Reus University Hospital.

Specifically, the researcher will work on the **Gutbabi project (CPP2023-010598)**. A project from the call “colaboración público-privada” funded by the Spanish Agencia Estatal de Investigación, Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades, cofunded by the European Union. For this Project, the team collaborates with researchers and industry to produce an infant product with functional ingredients to improve the gut microbiota and improve the immune system preventing infections.

Number of available positions: 1

The selected candidate will perform the following tasks:

- Collaborating in performing systematic literature reviews
- Recruiting paediatric participants
- Performing the fieldwork for a pilot clinical trial
- Dietary assessment in infants and toddlers
- Aim to conduct a PhD on gut microbiota and health related outcomes in children

CANDIDATE PROFILE & REQUIREMENTS

- Degree in Nutrition and Dietetics or Biochemistry or Biomedicine or Medicine

- The researcher must be currently admitted as Student to an Official Master at Universitat Rovira i Virgili) or to have the title.
- Fluent in Spanish and Catalan
- Speaking and written English skills (B2.2 or higher)
- To declare to be interested in/ To declare a compromise performing a PhD on gut microbiota and health related outcomes in children as part of this team

IT WILL BE VALUED

- Student of the Master in Genetic, Nutrition and Environmental determinants of growth and development
- Marks obtained during the bachelor's degree
- Training in Good Clinical Practices
- Competence and experience in Good Clinical Practices based research
- Previous experience in similar projects.
- Training in topics related to the call, such as paediatric nutrition, early programming of infant nutrition, dietary intake assessment, etc.
- Motivation, creativity, initiative and proactive attitude.
- Ability to learn, to work as part of a team, kindness, dynamism, responsibility and confidentiality

LABOUR CONDITIONS

- Full-time position 40h
- Workplace: main headquarters is the Faculty of Medicine in Reus, but Recruitment of participants and the clinical trial are performed at Hospital Universitari Sant Joan de Reus and Hospital Universitari Joan XXIII de Tarragona
- Contract: Temporary (~ 18 months and expected to obtain a PhD competitive grant for 3 more years afterwards)
- Gross annual salary: 20.000 - 22.000 €
- Starting date: January 2026

SELECTION PROCEDURE

- Selection of CVs. Suitable and unsuitable CV's will be identified according to the requirements. Applicants who do not meet the requirements indicated in the candidate profile and requirements will not pass to the next phase.
- Evaluation of the CV. Evaluation of the CVs up to a maximum score of 70 points.
- Cover Letter. Attach to the resume a cover letter with a maximum length of 2500 characters with spaces. With a maximum score of 10 points.

To access the interview phase it is necessary to have obtained a minimum score of 50 points in the sum of scores of the evaluation of the curriculum and cover letter

- Personal interview. With a maximum score of 20 points.

Items	20
Attitude	5
Fit in the work place	5
Experience, developed functions/skills	5
Teamwork	5

The selected person must have obtained a minimum score of xx points in the sum of scores from the assessment of all phases of the selection procedure.

SELECTION COMMITTEE

- President: Veronica Luque (Associate professor - Principal investigator)
- Chair 1: Mariona Gispert (Postdoctoral researcher)
- Chair 2: Mireia Alcázar (Postdoctoral researcher)

SUBSTITUTES:

- President: Joaquín Escribano (Head of the PEDINUR group)
- Chair 1: Natàlia Ferré (Associate professor - Postdoctoral researcher)
- Chair 2: Judit Muñoz-Hernando (Postdoctoral researcher)

CANDIDATURES

- The CV must include the DNI/NIE number or another personal identity document number.
- Send the CV and the Cover Letter through the form that you will find on the bottom of the offer page <https://www.iispv.cat/treballa-amb-nosaltres/>

For any questions or queries: recruitment@iispv.cat

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF CV 04/12/2025

COMMUNICATIONS

The IISPV will notify the candidates of the results of the different phases of the selection process through its website.

HRS4R Research in HR Excellence

The IISPV has the European accreditation The Human Resources Strategy for Researchers (HRS4R), complies with the general principles of the European Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the recruitment of researchers.

The IISPV has an internal recruitment policy that follows the Open, Transparent and Merit-based Recruitment (OTM-R) policies. More information about the HRS4R policies implemented at the IISPV is available on the following website: <https://www.iispv.cat/hrs4r-hr-excellenceresearch/>

The IISPV will guarantee the right to equal opportunities and treatment, as well as the real and effective exercise of rights by people with disabilities under equal conditions with respect to other citizens, through the promotion of personal autonomy, universal accessibility, access to employment, inclusion in the community and independent living and the eradication of any form of discrimination, in accordance with articles 9.2, 10, 14 and 49 of the Spanish Constitution and the International Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and international treaties and agreements ratified by Spain.

In the event of a tie, priority will be given to hiring the person with a disability.

In the event of a tie between people of different genders, the person of the least represented gender in the work group/department/service in which he joins will be hired.

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