The Faculty of Medicine of the Justus-Liebig-University Giessen (JLU) and the University Hospital of Giessen and Marburg GmbH (UKGM), Giessen Campus, invite applications for a

**W3 Professorship in Ophthalmology with a focus on Strabology/Neuroophthalmology**
as of October 1st, 2019.

Reference is made to § 61 Para. 7 of the Hessian Higher Education Act (HHG), and to conditions of employment based on § 62 HHG. Proficient knowledge of German is expected.

**Duties:**
The future incumbent will assume leadership of the Clinic and Polyclinic of Ophthalmology. The duties of the successful candidate will include representation of the whole scope of the subject Ophthalmology in patient care, teaching and research. The professorship-related tasks in health care are regulated by the University Hospital.

It is expected that the successful candidate will cooperate closely with the DFG Priority Program SPP 2127 "Gene- and Cell-Based Approaches to the Treatment of Neuroretinal Degeneration" and the Professorship "Experimental Ophthalmology". Other areas of specialization include gene and cell therapy of neuroretinal diseases, pediatric ophthalmology and the development of vitreoretinal surgery, as well as the further development of the traditional focus on diagnostic and surgical strabology and neuro-ophthalmology. Close cooperation within existing foci of the faculty – cardiopulmonary system, infection, oncology and tumour biology, inflammation and immunity as well as reproduction and reparation/regeneration – is required. The applicant should become actively involved in existing collaborative projects and be responsible for organizing research projects and new collaborative associations and national and international networks. Cooperation in the International Giessen Graduate Centre for the Life Sciences (GGL) is expected.

**Requirements:**
The successful candidate should have international recognition in his/her specialization and hold an outstanding scientific qualification. Publications in designated national and international journals are required. The focus in research should be beside the above-mentioned main areas of Strabology / Neuroophthalmology additionally on vitreoretinal diseases.

The following qualifications are required: Full university education in medicine, the required qualification for scientific work, usually proven by a doctorate with merit, and other additional pertinent academic achievements (e.g. habilitation or internationally visible specialist publications), the specialist recognition as a doctor of ophthalmology as well as extensive operative experience in at least one of the stated emphases, e.g. in Strabology, as well as experiences in the coordination of scientific projects in interdisciplinary networks. Furthermore, experience and success in obtaining extramural funding (especially at the German Research Foundation DFG), proof of particular pedagogic aptitude and a necessary qualification to represent the specialist field in academic teaching with great commitment are required. Gender issues should be integrated into the professorship's research and teaching agenda.
The universities of Giessen and Marburg and the University of Applied Sciences in Central Hessen are working together in a research alliance (Research Campus of Central Hessen) as a structured cooperation based on coordinated priorities. It is expected that the applicant shows cooperativeness to university and department-wide collaborative projects. In particular, cross university/hospital and patient-oriented clinical research and the participation in joint clinical studies is expected.

JLU aims to employ more women in academic research. We therefore particularly encourage female candidates to apply. JLU also pursues the goal at faculty leadership level of increased competence in dealing with gender and family-related issues. JLU is regarded as family-friendly university. Applicants with children are very welcome. Applications from disabled people of equal aptitude will be given preference.

Please send your letter of application (no e-mails, please) with a CV and a documentation of your qualifications and teaching competence to: The President of Justus-Liebig-University Giessen, Erwin-Stein-Gebaeude, Goethestrasse 58, 35390 Giessen, Germany, quoting the reference number K-37/18. Applications must be received by February 4th, 2019 at the latest.

Applicants are encouraged additionally to fill in one of the forms listed under http://www.uni-giessen.de/cms/fbz/fb11/dekanat/dekanat/ref1 (Bewerbungsbogen).

Candidates are strongly recommended to refer to our webpage on application procedures at http://www.uni-giessen.de/stellenmarkt/merkblatt.pdf. Please only submit copies of your application documents as they cannot be returned after the application procedure has been completed. In addition, please send your documentation in digital form, if possible.