

IMSS25-9 Associate Professor/ Assistant Professor

Job No.	IMSS25-9
Title	Associate Professor (permanent, female)/ Assistant Professor (limited-term employment, female)
Number of Job Opening	1 Person
Inst./ Lab.	Photon Factory, IMSS
Term	No term limit until 63 years old, if hired as a Associate Professor. In the case of Assistant Professor, the term is 4 years, but after an evaluation in the third year (or earlier), the candidate may be offered permanent employment as an Assistant Professor.
Start of the term	As early as possible after April 1, 2026
Appl. Deadline	Application due date (to reach KEK) is noon on Thursday, December 18, 2025 (JST)

Job Description

The Institute of Materials Structure Science (IMSS), one of the Inter-University Research Institutes, promotes advanced and multiple use of four types of quantum beams, synchrotron radiation, neutrons, muons and slow positrons, in materials and life sciences.

The successful candidate belongs to the Photon Factory (PF, SR facility), and is expected to lead the management, R&D, and joint usage of the PF beamlines. The candidate is also expected to engage in proactive activities such as the development of new experimental methods and apparatus toward the future plan of the facility. The workplace is KEK Tsukuba campus.

More details of the job description are shown here.

<https://www2.kek.jp/imss/eng/employment/IMSS25-9-e.html>

Qualification

Person with the ability of research and education.

Only female applicants are considered. (This job opening is intended to improve gender balance of faculty members at IMSS, following the Article 8 of the Gender Equality in Employment Act.)

Method of Selection

Applicants on the short list are requested to come to KEK for an interview in principle.

The date of the interview: TBA. Only the applicants who passed our documentary screening will be informed of the details of the interview.

Salary

Salary and various allowances are determined according to the KEK rules. (Annual salary system)

Working Hours

In principle discretionary work system for professional work is applied and working hours will be deemed as 7 hours and 45 minutes per day.

Please submit (A4 size paper (29.7cm x 21cm or similar size))

- 1) Curriculum vitae (Download the designated form of KEK from KEK from <https://www.kek.jp/en/resume/>)
 - * Please be sure to write the job number IMSS25-9, and the possible date you would be able to start the job at the Institute of Materials Structure Science. Please write your birth date as well.
 - * If you apply for more than one job openings in KEK, please indicate all the job numbers you apply for and your priorities in your CV.
- 2) Research experience: The selected publications whose reprints are attached to the application document should be explicitly described with their significance.
- 3) Publication list: this should be prepared in the following format. Items not applicable may be omitted.
 1. List of peer-reviewed original articles
 - Provide names of all authors in principle in the same order as in the article and emphasize own name with underline in each reference.
 - Each article on the list should be numbered, and ***the selected publications should be indicated with a circle and DOI information.***
 - Authors, title, journal name, volume number, year and page numbers (first-last) must be included. Order of these items may be changed.
 2. List of review articles and books
 3. List of other articles (non-peer reviewed articles, conference proceedings, bulletins)
 4. List of invited lectures in international conferences/meetings.
 5. Miscellaneous, supportive information such as research grants and awards received.
- 4) Research plan
- 5) Reprints of selected publications (about 5 separate papers)
- 6) Recommendation or reference letter(s) from those referred in CV
(Recommendation or reference letter(s) must be addressed to Prof. Dr. FUNAMORI Nobumasa, Director of IMSS.)

How to submit

- 1) Application documents (CV, Research experience, Publication list, Research plan and Reprints of selected publications)
 - * Please access our application system from the following URL, fill out the "Application Form" and upload the file.
 - URL for the application:
<https://kek.kobokanri.powerappsportals.com/en-US/oubo/?id=0b69b2cc-539f-f011-bbd2-00224869471b>
 - ** Please combine all application documents to a single PDF (up to 35MB) and name the file "Job No._applicant's name.pdf" when uploading.
 - *** We cannot accept submissions by e-mail attached with application documents.

**** KEK will send emails from the address <jinji-kobokanri@a.kek.jp > to the address provided your application. Please check the email settings and make sure to receive them.

2) Recommendation or reference letter(s)

* Please request your referee to upload the letter to our application system from the following URL:

<https://kek.kobokanri.powerappsportals.com/en-US/suisen/?id=0b69b2cc-539f-f011-bbd2-00224869471b>

** Please name the file "*name of the nominee, name of the referee.pdf*" when uploading.

(Attention) If you do not receive an automatic reply mail from the system within a few hours, please contact us <jinji1@ml.post.kek.jp>.

Before submitting application documents, please contact

Prof. IGARASHI Noriyuki, Head of Photon Factory, Institute of Materials Structure Science, KEK.

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Others

1) More details of the job description are shown here.

<https://www2.kek.jp/imss/eng/employment/IMSS25-9-e.html>

2) An option for working at home is available to improve work-life balance or to cope with exceptional working environment.

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