



Faculty of Psychology : Department of Biopsychology

In order to fill a **fixed-term position in full-time (39.83 hours/week = 100%)** at **the earliest possible date**, we are looking for one

Postdoctoral Researcher in Biopsychology (m/f/x)

Our group investigates the neural basis of cognition and behavior using pigeons as a model system. We combine advanced behavioral, anatomical, and neuroimaging approaches to study the neural basis of cognition across multiple levels of analysis. The successful candidate (m,f,x) will join a vibrant and collaborative team with access to excellent infrastructure, including the university's new state-of-the-art interdisciplinary research building THINK (ruhr-uni-bochum.de/think), multiple externally funded research projects, and a strong international research network.

Your tasks:

- Develop and lead innovative research projects in cognitive neuroscience
- Coordinate experimental activities and support PhD researchers within the team
- Contribute to ongoing externally funded projects
- Publish in visible international journals and present findings at international conferences

Your profile:

We are seeking a team-oriented and dedicated postdoctoral researcher (m,f,x) (a completed PhD is required) with a background in neuroscience, psychology, biology, biomedical engineering, or a related field, who has demonstrated excellent research achievements in at least one of the following areas:

- Neuroanatomical analysis
- fMRI / neuroimaging methods
- Advanced behavioral experimentation and analysis

We offer:

- Employment at one of the largest universities in Germany within the University Alliance Ruhr
- Collaboration in a committed and appreciative team
- Support in combining family life and work (including childcare arrangements/holiday offers/mobile playroom)
- A varied sports program with around 100 sport disciplines and the university's own gym
- Access to cutting-edge research infrastructure

Further information:

The position is salaried and based on the collective agreement of the Länder (TV-L). If the personal and collective agreement requirements are met, the employee will receive pay grade E13 TV-L TV-L.

Further information can be found at <https://oeffentlicher-dienst.info/> (in German).

The place of work is Ruhr University Bochum.

If the position is funded by third-party funds the employee has no teaching obligation.

Interviews can be conducted via video call.

RUB sees itself as a university with an international presence. The campus languages are German and English. Competence in at least one of the two languages and the willingness to learn the other are a prerequisite. RUB provides corresponding free courses for employees.

German language courses are offered by the University Language Center (ZFA) in the field of German as a Foreign Language (DaF). <https://www.daf.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/sbgk/index.html>.en

The Staff Council has the right to participate in all selection interviews. At the request of a candidate (m/f/x), it will ensure its participation in the entire procedure. Please contact wpr@rub.de.

Contact persons for further information:

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Travel costs, accommodation costs and loss of earnings or other application costs for job interviews can unfortunately not be reimbursed.

We look forward to receiving your application via our **online application portal** by **2026-08-03**. Please make sure to mention the reference number ANR 5811.

Scope: full-time
Duration: fixed-term, 4 years
Start: at the earliest possible date
Apply by: 2026-08-03

The Ruhr-Universität Bochum is one of Germany's leading research universities, addressing the whole range of academic disciplines. A highly dynamic setting enables researchers and students to work across the traditional boundaries of academic subjects and faculties. To create knowledge networks within and beyond the university is Ruhr-Universität Bochum's declared aim.

The Ruhr-Universität Bochum stands for diversity and equal opportunities. For this reason, we favour a working environment composed of heterogeneous teams, and seek to promote the careers of individuals who are underrepresented in our respective professional areas. The Ruhr-Universität Bochum expressly requests job applications from women. In areas in which they are underrepresented they will be given preference in the case of equivalent qualifications with male candidates. Applications from individuals with disabilities are most welcome.

