PhD student in vascular biology

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Duties
PhD student position is available for a highly motivated individual with interest in vascular/developmental biology to join the laboratory of Dr. Taija Mäkinen at Uppsala University, Dept. of Immunology, Genetics and Pathology. Research in the lab focuses on understanding the regulation of the lymphatic vasculature in physiological and pathological conditions. By utilizing unique genetic tools and single cell RNA sequencing datasets developed in the lab, the selected candidate will address one of the following topics, agreed depending on the candidate’s expertise and interests: 1) functional characterisation of organ-specific lymphatic endothelial progenitor cells, and/or 2) novel (organ-specific) functions of lymphatic endothelium in homeostasis and disease.

Further information on the activity of the research group can be accessed at www.makinenlab.com

Requirements
The applicant should have MSc degree in a relevant area (e.g. Molecular Biology). Experience with experimental research, molecular and cell biology and (confocal) microscopy are required. Experience with tissue dissection, preparation and staining as well as image processing and analysis would be advantageous. Strong merit would be knowledge of vascular and/or developmental biology. Good skills in oral and written English are required.

The application should include a CV, copies of exams, degrees and grades, contact details of two references and a short description of the applicant and his/her experience. Letters(s) of recommendation may be included.

Rules governing PhD students are set out in the Higher Education Ordinance chapter 5, §§ 1-7 and in Uppsala University's rules and guidelines.

About the employment
The employment is a temporary position according to the Higher Education Ordinance chapter 5 § 7. Scope of employment 100 %. Starting date 1 June 2023 or as agreed. Placement: Uppsala
For further information about the position, please contact: Taija Mäkinen, email: taija.makinen@igp.uu.se.

Please submit your application by: March 20 2023, UFV-PA 2023-331.

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**Placement:** Department of Immunology, Genetics and Pathology  
**Type of employment:** Full time, Temporary position  
**Pay:** Fixed salary  
**Number of positions:** 1  
**Working hours:** 100 %  
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