

Ph.D. Position(s) available

Tumor Biochemistry - Function and Targeting of Oncogens in Cancer Development



Christian-Albrechts-Universität zu Kiel

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We are looking for highly motivated and talented scientists to join the Tumor Biochemistry group led by Elmar Wolf at the Biochemical Institute, Kiel University. (www.biochemie-kiel.de/research-groups/wolf-group/).

A major focus of our research is the development of PROTACs as novel therapeutic approaches against cancer. Our research combines molecular genetics, biochemistry, cell biology, and cancer models.

Recently published studies: *Müller et al, EMBO Rep. 2026; Bhandare et al, Nucleic Acids Research, 2025; Vogt et al, Gut, 2024; Solvie et al, Nature 2022; Narain et al, Molecular Cell*

Requirements:

- You are highly motivated and are eager to pursue a Ph.D. in the natural sciences with a medical focus
- You have recently completed, or are about to complete, your Master's degree in biochemistry, molecular biology, cell biology, bioinformatics, or a related field.
- You have excellent written and spoken English skills. Knowledge of German is desirable but not required.
- You enjoy working with young researchers in an international and collaborative team.



We offer:

You will work on an ERC (European Research Council) or German Cancer Aid funded project. The research group is located at the Institute of Biochemistry, which is part of the Medical Faculty of the University of Kiel. The institute provides excellent facilities and state-of-the-art equipment, allowing you to perform cutting-edge experiments and acquire highly valuable skills for a future career in academia or industry. The department is located at the heart of the Kiel University campus, which provides a stimulating collaborative research environment with multiple research

groups working on tumor biology and cellular proteolysis. We collaborate with numerous additional life science institutes in Kiel including the Kiel Oncology Network (KON), the Institute of Pharmacy and Kiel Life Science (KLS).

Contact:

The positions are expected to start between **December 2026** and **March 2027** and the salary is based on **TV-L E 13 (65%)**. In case of equivalent qualifications, applicants with disabilities will be given preference in accordance with applicable regulations.

Applicants should contact **Elmar Wolf** and submit the following documents:

- cover letter describing your previous research experience and your motivation for pursuing a Ph.D. in our group;
- CV and relevant certificates and transcripts
- contact details of two referees.

Application deadline September 30, 2026

Please submit your application as a single PDF file by email to pmilbrandt@biochem.uni-kiel.de, using the subject line: **"Wolf-lab-2026-application"**

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