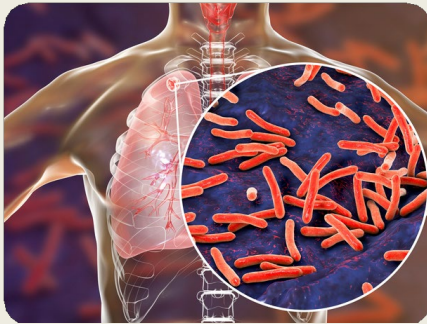




RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP

EPIDEMIOLOGY OF VIRAL INFECTIONS: PATHOGENS WITH ZOOONOTIC POTENTIAL



SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTION

GLACIER invites applications from Latin American graduate students seeking research stays at the Laboratory of Virus Epidemiology at Charité- Universitätsmedizin Berlin, Germany, to strengthen their scientific and personal development.

The main objective of these research stays is to help the selected applicants deepen their expertise in viral research, in areas such as diagnostic methods, genomic characterization, isolation, phylogenetic analysis, evolution, epidemiology, and ecology of viruses, with a particular focus on the interface between virology and vaccine development.

Scholarship will be awarded as follows:

2 x up to 4 months scholarship for guest scientists

(earliest start date: 01 July 2026 / latest start date: 01 September 2026).

WHAT DOES IT COVER?

Guest scientists:
Up to 2,300.00€/month

Flights are booked by Charité, accommodation and health insurance are not provided by Charité.

Additional details are available upon request.

**DEADLINE:
15 June 2026**

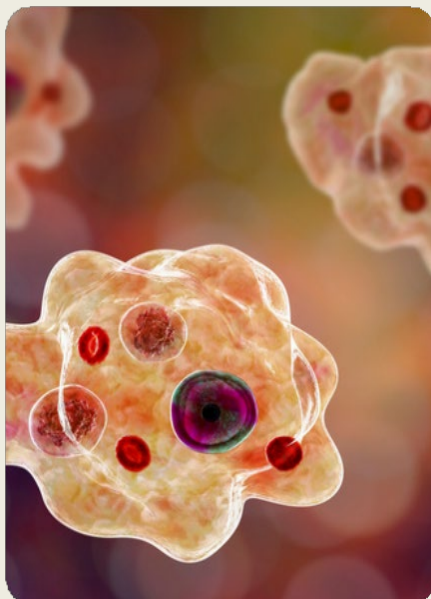
HOST INSTITUTION

The laboratory of Professor Jan Felix Drexler is located at the Institute of Virology of the **Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin**, one of the leading institutions for viral diagnostics and emerging viruses at the animal-human interface. Charité, Europe's largest academic medical center, conducts epidemiological studies to gain insights into the influence of ecological factors on the emergence of infectious diseases, and the evolution and the pathogenesis of emerging viruses.

Responsible Investigators: Jan Felix Drexler (Germany).

ELIGIBILITY

The applicant must be a national from any of the Latin American countries that belong to the GLACIER consortium (visit glacieronehealth.org for more information).



BASIC REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must hold at least a Master's degree in a relevant subject (e.g., **natural and engineering sciences, life sciences, medicine**) and be active in or employed by a GLACIER partner institution. They should also fulfill the following requirements:

- Fluent in (scientific) **English** or German.
- Belongs to the best quartile of students (certified by supervisor or statistics).
- Committed (both the applicant and their Latin American supervisor) to accepting co-supervision and task agreement with the **host institution**, and to completing and defending their PhD thesis latest mid-2026.
- Accepts the rules of DAAD, the host institution and commits to good scientific practice in general.
- Provides reports, presentations, and full documentation on the dates established by the host.

THE RESEARCH PROJECT SHOULD INCLUDE SEROLOGICAL AND MOLECULAR SURVEILLANCE OF RELEVANT PATHOGENS THAT ARE OR COULD BE ZONOTIC AGENTS, AND THAT MAY LEAD TO OUTBREAKS IN HUMANS.

DOCUMENTS YOU NEED TO SEND

Please send your application as a single PDF document (< 10 MB) via email with the subject **Charite_Call26** to glacier@charite.de by **04 March 2026**.

It must include: (1) a **tabular CV**, with personal and institutional contact details, (2) a **motivation letter** not longer than 1/2 page, and (3) a 2-page (maximum) **research plan**, ideally coordinated with one local and one German supervisor and including a GANTT-chart.

In addition, your supervisor must provide a **reference letter** sent from their **institutional email address**. Supervisor letters sent from personal email addresses (e.g., Yahoo accounts) will not be accepted, unless the supervisor has registered such email address before with GLACIER.

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