

Doctoral Networks (MSCA-DN) HORIZON – MSCA – 2022 – DN

Fellow R10: Machine learning algorithms for diagnostic procedures based on imaging the shapes of single molecules or molecular complexes.

Closed position

Supervisor: Prof. S. Rizzoli

Institution: [Universitätsmedizin Göttingen \(UMG\)](#), Göttingen, Germany

Duration: 36 months

PhD program: [Göttingen Graduate School for Neurosciences, Biophysics and Molecular Biosciences](#)

Research group: [Department of Neuro and Sensory Physiology](#)

Secondments (short visits) at: Georg-August-Universität Göttingen (**UGOE**, Germany), Politechnika Gdańska (**PG**, Poland) and company **Beamagine** (Spain).

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Objectives

To develop new methods of imaging and machine learning (ML) image analysis that will enable the automated analysis of cellular and human samples for diagnostic procedures, relying on one-step nanoscale expansion (ONE) microscopy. We propose to apply ONE microscopy to study molecular aggregates composed of several proteins (i.e.: alpha-synuclein, ASYN) in cerebrospinal fluid samples from Parkinson's disease patients, and to explore ML approaches for classifying molecular aggregates, which represents a promising approach towards an improved diagnosis.

What is offered

To work within an interdisciplinary environment, receiving training from leading experts in super-resolution microscopy in a full-time Ph.D. position for 36 months, in which living and mobility costs will be fully covered with a gross salary of 33,114.20 € per year.

Required skills

- **M.Sc. degree in neuroscience, cell biology** or related field from outside Germany.
- Strong interest and experience **physical sciences, biomaterials** or **deep learning**.
- Experience with **microscopy** and **fluorescence imaging**.
- Excellent communication and writing skills in **English**.
- Intrinsic **motivation and a high level of independence**, capacity to contribute your ideas to the project.
- Team player and openness for collaboration within our research group, within the project, and beyond.

Additional skills

- Experience in MATLAB and programming is desirable.
- Ability to work in an interdisciplinary environment.

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- Effective communication skills.
- Adaptability and problem-solving skills.
- Clinical knowledge.