

Saarland University is a campus university with an international focus and a strong research profile. The four main research hubs 'BioMed', 'Computer Science', 'Europe' and 'Sustainability' are among the defining features of the university. With numerous internationally respected research institutes situated in the vicinity of the university and dedicated support for start-up companies, Saarland University is an ideal environment for research, teaching and innovation. The proportion of international students studying at Saarland University is well above the national average and is testimony to the university's strong international focus. Saarland University has been officially certified as a family-friendly university since 2004.

The Faculty of Natural Sciences and Technology is looking to strengthen and expand research at the interface of chemistry, materials science and pharmaceutical science.

The Department of Chemistry in the Faculty of Natural Sciences and Technology at Saarland University is inviting applications for the following position to commence in October 2026:

## W2 Professorship in Organic Chemistry

(m/f/x; Reference no.: W2674)

The person to be appointed will have an established international reputation in synthetic organic chemistry, particularly in the development of synthetic methods in organic chemistry. The successful candidate is expected to contribute to Saarland University's core research fields in materials science and/or the biochemical, pharmaceutical and medical sciences. In addition to strengthening the university's strategic priorities and research networks in these areas, the research conducted by the appointee will align with the existing collaborative alliances in the field of drug discovery and development (Saarland University's Excellence Strategy and PharmaScienceHub) and/or the Research Training Group 3082 'Engineering Covalent Bonds in Molecules and Materials'. We expect the successful candidate to have established an independent research group in an area of current relevance in organic synthetic chemistry, whose work is supported by external research funding. The person appointed will also have proven experience in teaching organic chemistry at university level. The successful applicant will be expected to contribute to teaching across the organic chemistry curriculum in both the Bachelor's and Master's degree programmes in chemistry.

The appointment will be made in accordance with the general provisions of German public sector employment law (see legal recruitment requirements in § 41 Saarländisches Hochschulgesetz, current version available at <https://recht.saarland.de/bssl/document/jlr-HSchulGSLrahmen>).

The appointee must have authored original publications in high-impact chemistry journals, have proven success in acquiring external research funding and must have an established international profile and strong record of research. The person appointed is also expected to engage with collaborative research networks within the Department of Chemistry, such as Excellence Initiatives, the Research Training Group 3082 and the PharmaScienceHub.

Saarland University views internationalization as a process spanning all aspects of university life. We therefore expect members of our professorial staff to promote and foster further internationalization. Special support will be provided for projects that expand collaboration within existing international cooperative networks, e.g. projects with partners in the European University Alliance Transform4Europe ([www.transform4europe.eu](http://www.transform4europe.eu)) or the University of the Greater Region ([www.uni-gr.eu](http://www.uni-gr.eu)).

In accordance with the objectives of its gender equality plan, Saarland University is actively seeking to increase the proportion of women in this field. Qualified women candidates are therefore strongly encouraged to apply. Preferential consideration will be given to applications from disabled candidates of equal eligibility. Furthermore, we welcome applications from all qualified candidates irrespective of nationality, ethnic heritage or social background, religious beliefs, personal beliefs or values, age, sexual orientation or identity.

Please complete the application form in Saarland University's online application portal at [www.uni-saarland.de/berufungen](http://www.uni-saarland.de/berufungen) and submit it with your application documents by no later than **07 August 2025**. Application documents must be uploaded as a single PDF file (max. size 10 MB) and should include the following documents in the order specified:

- Cover letter (addressed to the Dean of the Faculty of Natural Sciences and Technology Prof. Dr.-Ing. Dirk Bähre)
- Curriculum vitae (including research and teaching activities, details of external research funding secured and teaching appraisals)
- One-page research plan and teaching concept
- List of scientific publications and talks
- Explanatory summary of your three most important publications
- Degree certificates
- Proof of disability if you declared a disability in your application
- If you hold a university degree from a foreign university, please provide proof of equivalence from Germany's Central Office for Foreign Education (ZAB) if available. If you have not yet requested proof of equivalence from ZAB, you must submit proof at a later date if so requested.

When you submit a job application to Saarland University, you will be transmitting personal data. Please refer to our privacy notice for information on how we collect and process personal data in accordance with Art. 13 of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) ([www.uni-saarland.de/en/privacy](http://www.uni-saarland.de/en/privacy)). By submitting your application, you confirm that you have taken note of the information in the Saarland University privacy notice.