

ESTS Zurich Biology Club Fellowship 2018

Aim

A research fellowship is offered for 4-6 months to young scientists and clinicians to visit the Department of Thoracic Surgery; University Hospital Zurich, Head Professor Dr. Walter Weder, with the aim of getting an insight knowledge into a research concept or technique not available in the home institution. The home institution should benefit from the research training when the applicant returns, by leading to research developments and activities back onsite. It may offer the opportunity of additional clinical training.

Grant amounts

15.000,- EUR

includes salary and project costs; travel expenses will be reimbursed additionally (maximum 500 EUR)

Duration

4-6 months

Eligibility criteria

Postdoctoral candidate (M.D. in training for thoracic surgery)

Upper age limit 40

Adequate skills in English or German

Applicant must be member of ESTS

On completion of the Fellowship, applicant must return to Home institution to apply the acquired skills; appropriate facilities, resources and funds at the Home institution must be available

The program is open to both European and non-European based candidates.

Application process

The applications will be reviewed by the Biology Club members (Isabelle Opitz, Gaetano Rocco, and Thorsten Walles), Walter Weder and the Director of Education Hasan Batirel.

The applicant must submit an outline of a project along with his/her CV and bibliography. For the fellowship additional documents from the candidate's Institution and a supporting letter from



the home Institution are needed. The research project submitted can be in the field of LVRS for emphysema (clinical project), oncology (mesothelioma – lung cancer – clinical or translational project) or transplantation research (EVLP – clinical / experimental project, or pulmonary hypertension). Staff members will supervise the project in respect to their expertise.

A statement of the candidate's Educational Supervisor should confirm that facilities, funds, and resources will be made possible upon the fellows return.

Selection process

The candidate will be chosen by the Biology Club (Isabelle Opitz, Gaetano Rocco, and Thorsten Walles), Hasan Batirel and Walter Weder based on the originality and feasibility of the project. The benefit of the project to the candidate's career and Home Institution and the added value to research are equally assessed.

Reporting

Results of the projects are encouraged to be published in the European Journal of Cardio-Thoracic Surgery. Fellowship applicants are expected to write a final report as well as a financial report.

Applications

Applications to be sent by Sunday 1 April 2018 to:

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