



ESC Basic Research Fellowship



The European Society of Cardiology (ESC) supports the future of cardiovascular medicine. Each year the ESC provides €2 million in grants, fellowships, and scholarships.

Applications for the the Basic Research Fellowship 2021 will open in October 2021.

Before you apply, please read the instructions below and prepare your application accordingly.

What is the grant for?

The ESC Basic Research Fellowship is designed to allow a researcher to spend **one year in a European research laboratory**. It is open to basic scientists as well as clinical scientists and preferentially seeks to award support for preclinical research projects. One fellowship per year of 25,000 Euros will be awarded to the successful candidate. The laboratory and topic are chosen by the candidate.

To be eligible, the current laboratory of the applicant must be different from the host laboratory and it is unlikely that candidates planning to return to a laboratory where they have spent time previously will be successful, except in exceptional cases. Preference will be given to those for whom the award will enable the fellow to learn novel techniques valuable for their future career.

NB: please note that the ESC Research Grant is a different grant and is only open to medical graduates.

This fellowship is open to candidates of all nationalities.

Basic rules

- One fellowship of €25,000 is awarded per calendar year
- Candidates accept to be interviewed via Skype
- Awardees accept to present their work related to the fellowship at the next basic science meeting "Frontiers in CardioVascular Biomedicine"

Criteria for eligibility

- Candidates should move to a host laboratory different from their current laboratory
- Candidates should not be older than 40 years at the time of the application deadline
- Candidates must not have any previous ESC grant for the same study
- Candidates must have activity in the area of cardiovascular sciences
- Candidates must be members of the Council on Basic Cardiovascular Science. Not a member yet? Join it's free*

How to apply

Please read the disclaimer on Personal Data Privacy before applying.

[Apply](#)

At the time of application, formal eligibility criteria will be checked. **If you are not eligible, the Basic Research Fellowship application form will not be visible.**

Application deadline: 1 December 2021.

Before completing the e-form, prepare your pdf application file as you will have to attach it to your online application form.

The pdf application file you will attach to your online application form should consist of a bio-sketch of:

- Your letter [maximum 2 (two) pages] of motivation including:



- your birth date
- information on your activity in the area of cardiovascular sciences
- details of your project
- a statement on how you intend to use the award (budget forecast)
- a statement that, if you do not use the grant within 9 months, you will return it to the ESC.

- A one-page CV with a publication list
- A letter of acceptance by the host institution
- A letter of support from your current institution
- A written commitment to present your work related to the fellowship at the next scientific meeting "Frontiers in CardioVascular Biomedicine".
- A written commitment to send a report of your year abroad

*The Council is composed of representatives from the ESC Working Groups and Sister Societies. Find more information about its structure.

For any queries, please contact us.

Read former awardees testimonies

"Receiving the ESC Basic Science Fellowship represents a key milestone in my career, which provided me a great opportunity to conduct cutting-edge research at one of the most reputable research labs in Europe. This has, beyond the shadow of a doubt, enriched and strengthened my collaborations with my host and will have a long-lasting impact on my career. Therefore, I could not emphasise more what a game-changing role this fellowship can play in the life of an early-career researcher."



Mahmoud Abdellatif - 2019

"The ESC Basic Research Fellowship gave me the opportunity to join Prof. Florian Leuschner's research group at the University of Heidelberg. The fellowship allowed me to form new collaborations and learn new techniques to study inflammatory cell mechanisms in myocardial infarction (MI). I was able to advance my knowledge on how the cardiac microenvironment changes monocyte-macrophage properties after MI and how we can develop therapeutic strategies favoring cardiac healing. I am grateful to the ESC Council on Basic Cardiovascular Science for this fellowship and support in this line of work."



Jyoti Patel - 2017

"It was a great honour to receive the Basic Research Fellowship 2016 by the European Society of Cardiology (ESC). The Fellowship offered me the unique opportunity to join Prof. Ziad Mallat's group at the University of Cambridge. The Fellowship allowed me to advance my knowledge and acquire additional lab skills in the field of cardiovascular research. I feel particularly grateful to ESC for the great support they provide to young scientists and I strongly recommend that other researchers apply for the ESC Basic Research Fellowship."

Dimitrios Tsiantoulas - 2016

"The Basic Research Fellowship allowed me to learn and apply state-of-the-art proteomic methods to the study of heart failure progression and strengthened an international collaboration with the lab of Prof. Dr. Albert Heck at Utrecht University in Utrecht, The Netherlands. This research has led to the development of a novel methodology, generated new molecular insights, and advanced our understanding of this common medical condition. It has also given me a unique international research experience and broadened my personal horizon. I am both honored and grateful to the ESC Council on Basic Cardiovascular Science for this fellowship and for its investment in young scientists."



David Chiang - 2014

Personal data privacy

The information collected is subject to computerized processes to select winners of the ESC Basic Research Fellowship.

The recipients of the data are:

- ESC Staff
- The judging panel composed of members of the ESC Council on Basic Cardiovascular Science

Only the data indicated with an (*) is mandatory.

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