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iMM Call for la Caixa Junior Leaders

New postdoctoral fellowships programme

Deadline for expression of interest: September 10, 2018



We are seeking outstanding postdoctoral researchers who wish to continue their research careers at the Instituto de Medicina Molecular João Lobo Antunes ([iMM](#)) in Lisbon, Portugal.
The potential candidates will be invited to apply for [“la Caixa” Junior Leader fellowships programme](#) with iMM as the Host Institution.

Profile

The candidates should be excellent researchers in terms of the originality and significance of their contributions, as well as having the leadership skills to head their own research group in the near future.

Eligibility

Researchers of any nationality who have finished their doctoral degrees 2 to 7 years prior to the deadline and must not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in Portugal for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the call deadline.

The candidate may request an extension of the period in which the doctoral degree must have been obtained, in case of maternity/paternity leave (1 year for each child) or sick leave longer than three months.

Offer

“la Caixa” Junior Leader position entails three-year full-time contract, additional mobility and family allowance, when applicable, and research project costs. Maximum budget for three years sums to 305.100€.

The programme also provides a complementary training in innovation and leadership, research stays in academia and industry, and a mentorship programme.

The fellowships are awarded for one year and renewable for up to three years, pending on the favorable annual report evaluation.



Host Institution

The [Instituto de Medicina Molecular João Lobo Antunes \(iMM\)](#) is a leading Portuguese biomedical research institute, that aims to nurture innovative ideas in basic, translational and clinical research, with the mission of improving human life through the study of disease mechanisms and the development of novel predictive/diagnostic tests and therapeutic approaches. iMM strategy is laid upon three major objectives: i) to promote scientific excellence, ii) to nurture advanced training and career development and iii) to galvanize translation of our findings for human health.

The core scientific activities are structured around 34 independent research groups within broad Research Lines: Molecular and Cellular Biology; Development and Ageing; Systems Physiology; Neurosciences and Behaviour; Immunology and Inflammation; Host and Microbe; Oncobiology; Chemical Biology and Biophysics; Clinical Sciences. iMM currently hosts about 650 people, including group leaders, clinicians, post-docs, PhD students, technicians and support staff, who shape a vibrant and cooperative community driven by curiosity, individual freedom and ambition.

Candidates should clearly state their interest to join iMM in their application for la Caixa Junior Leader fellowship.

Expression of Interest:

Please send the following documents to imm-funding@medicina.ulisboa.pt until September 10, 2018:

- Cover letter (please include contacts of two references)
- CV including major achievements
- Outline of the future research project

Evaluation:

iMM will invite promising candidates to apply for la Caixa postdoctoral fellowship and applications will be independently evaluated by [“la Caixa” Banking Foundation](#).

la Caixa Junior Leaders Deadlines

Submission: September 26, 2018 (14:00 CET)

Pre-selection results: December 20, 2018

Interview of invited candidates: February 11-13, 2019 in Barcelona

Final Results: February 26, 2019

Start of the fellowship: from April 1 to July 31, 2019