

CALL FOR TWO PHD FELLOWSHIPS
Fellowships References IMM/BD/21a-2023 and IMM/BD/21b-2023

Instituto de Medicina Molecular João Lobo Antunes (iMM) opens a call for two PhD fellowships under the project “*IMM-Care- Boosting Clinical Research for the Benefit of Society*” (*Teaming for Excellence - HORIZON-WIDERA-2022- ACCESS-01-01-two-stage*), with the funding support from European Commission.

Scientific Area(s): Basic and/or Translational Biomedical Research, more specifically in the area of Cell and Molecular Biology, Immunology, and/or Infectious Diseases.

Fellowship recipients / Admission requirements: Any National, foreign and stateless candidate(s) that fulfill the necessary conditions to be enrolled in a PhD study cycle in area(s) related to the work plan can apply.

Applicants must hold the following requirements:

- MSc degree holder in the Life Sciences field (Medicine, Biology, Biochemistry, etc.), or related areas (such as Physics, Mathematics, Engineering, Statistics, Bioinformatics, etc.).
- Not to hold a doctoral degree.
- The international experience of the candidates, although not a determining criterion for selection, will be valued.

Work Plan and Objectives: The work plan will take into account the candidate's profile, their research interests and its framing in the area of Basic and/or Translational Biomedical Research (more specifically in the area of Cell and Molecular Biology, Immunology, and/or Infectious Diseases).

Legislation and Applicable Regulation: Estatuto do Bolseiro de Investigação (Lei n.º 40/2004, de 18 de Agosto, republished in attachment to Decreto-Lei n.º 202/2012, de 27 de Agosto, changed by **Decreto-Lei n.º 123/2019, 28 de Agosto**), current Regulation of Fellowships of iMM and iMM Career By-Law and Assessment regulations.

Predicted start date, duration and renewal conditions: The fellowship contract is predicted to start in January 2024, for a period of 12 (twelve) months, on an exclusive basis, eventually renewable until the maximum of 48 (forty-eight) months in accordance with the stipulated in applicable regulations, not exceeding the eligibility period of the project (predicted to end on April 30th, 2029).

Work place and Scientific orientation: The research activities will be developed at Instituto de Medicina Molecular João Lobo Antunes taking into account the candidate's profile, their research interests, and its framing in the area of Basic and/or Translational Biomedical Research (more specifically in the area of Cell and Molecular Biology, Immunology, and/or Infectious Diseases), under the provisional supervision of the Director of the LisbonBioMed PhD Program, Claus M. Azzalin.

Non-discrimination and equal access policy: iMM undertakes to ensure compliance with the principles of non-discrimination and equality and to that extent, provides that no candidate can be privileged, benefited, harmed or deprived of any right or exempted from any duty due in particular ancestry, age, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, family status, economic status, education, social origin or condition, genetic heritage, reduced working capacity, disability, chronic disease, nationality, ethnic origin or race, place of origin, language, religion, political or ideological convictions and trade union membership.

International environment and experience: Diversity is a fundamental aspect of the essence of IMM, where researchers and non-researchers of different nationalities, backgrounds and areas of study work together, promoting the exchange of experiences and interactions, contributing to the personal and professional development of each person and to the existence of an international, inclusive and stimulating environment.

Research Fellows Support Centre: The Research Fellows Support Centre works on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00AM to 6:30PM at Human Resources Office.

Fellowship financial conditions: The fellow will benefit from a monthly stipend in the amount of 1.199,64€. The amount will be paid by wire transfer at the end of each month. The fellow will also benefit from a personal accident insurance to execute the proposed research activities as well as the right to Social Security through Voluntary Social Insurance regimen, if wanted, under the terms of Código dos Regimes Contributivos do Sistema Previdencial de Segurança Social, and the contributions costs will be supported by the research project.

Application documents: - Motivation Letter; - Detailed CV; - MSc degree certificate; - 2 Recommendation Letters. The application documents should be written in English. ***The non-compliance with these requirements determines the immediate rejection of the application.***

Jury evaluation and selection: The applications will be evaluated by a jury composed by Vanessa Morais (IMM/FMUL), Domingos Henrique (FMUL/IMM) and Leonor Saúde (IMM/FMUL).

Selection methods: Curriculum (60%), Motivation Letter (30%) and Recommendation Letters (10%).

Deadlines and application process: The call will be open from **November 20th until December 4th 2023**. Applications should be submitted through IMM website, by clicking in the “Apply” button below the position job ad. ***The non-compliance with these requirements determines the immediate rejection of the application.***

Notification of results: The evaluation results will be announced within 90 days after the termination of the applications submission deadline, by writing and publishing a jury meeting minute at IMM website at <https://imm.medicina.ulisboa.pt/jobs/#results> with all process of recruitment, evaluation and selection including a list of all excluded and admitted candidates and for these last ones, their classification. All admitted candidates will be notified by email.

Preliminary Hearing and Final Decision Deadline: After notification, all candidates have 10 working days to respond. Panel’s final decisions are pronounced within a period of 90 days, from application deadline.

Fellowship contracting: The Fellowship is granted through the signature of a [contract](#) between IMM and the selected fellow and after the fellow send the following mandatory documents: copy of identification document (in case of non-European citizens is mandatory the work visa / valid resident permit), document proving the required academic degree and the document proving the enrollment in a PhD study cycle. For each Fellowship period an [Activity Report](#) must be prepared by the fellow as well as the [Report](#) by the supervisor.

Lisbon, November 17th, 2023

The Executive Director of iMM
Professor Maria Manuel Dias da Mota

