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Fellowships for postdoctoral scholars in medical science

The Swedish Society for Medical Research (Svenska Sällskapet för Medicinsk Forskning, SSMF) annually announces fellowships for postdoctoral studies in medical science with the objective of qualifying as an associate professor. In addition, half-time fellowships are announced for individuals whose regular position entails full-time clinical duties. The number of fellowships is not predetermined, but after the most recent call, 30 full-time and 7 half-time fellowships were awarded.

Particularly qualified young researchers are given an opportunity to engage in full-time medical research for two years. Fellowships for clinicians support two years of half-time research.

How much?

These fellowships, which are tax-free, provide a monthly sum of 25 000 SEK (full-time) or 17 000 SEK (half-time); at the end of the fellowship period, a seed grant of a maximum of 250 000 SEK is also provided. At the end of each fellowship year, research fellows must provide a summary of their research results and scholarly achievements, to be eligible for continued support. The seed grant is paid out upon request, on condition that a final report has been submitted to and approved by SSMF, and that the research fellow is associated with a Swedish educational institution as researcher or equivalent. Financial accounts must be submitted no later than 18 months after the grant has been paid out.

Extra support is provided for the added cost of research stints outside Sweden, according to EMBO standards. Accident insurance will be arranged by SSMF for the two years of the fellowship.

Fellowships are intended to begin no earlier than 1 July (the year of application) and no later than 30 June the following year.

The fellowship may be postponed no more than 12 months from the first possible starting date. In addition, an ongoing fellowship may be interrupted for a total maximum of 12 months.

Who?

Individuals awarded a doctoral degree in a preclinical or clinical medical discipline or a field closely related to medicine, prior to **1 February 2019**, but no more than three years before the application deadline, i.e. **no earlier than 15 November 2015, are eligible to apply**. Permission to defend the thesis must have been formally requested, and a copy of that request appended to the application. A maximum of two years of parental leave, internship/residency, and military service may be deducted from this time, i.e. **thesis defence no earlier than 15 November 2013**. Well-recognized activity as guest researcher at a Swedish or foreign university is considered a strong qualification for a fellowship. To be eligible to apply, the applicant must have done research in Sweden for at least two years, and intend to establish research activities in Sweden in the future. Education aimed toward qualification as associate professor may be carried out in Sweden or abroad, but preferably not at the institution where the applicant took a doctorate.

The application period runs 15 October to 15 November.

NB! 15 November at 24:00, the system will be closed and applicants will no longer be able to register or make changes.

To SSMF

Applications are submitted electronically.

The thesis defence protocol or diploma, along with a document from the proposed host institution showing that the fellow will be provided a workplace and the basic equipment required for the proposed research, shall be appended as a pdf to the electronic application.

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

To receive this fellowship, applicants are expected to establish their future research activities in Sweden.

Fellowship awardees will be notified in writing at the end of May.