

Institute of Molecular Genetics of the ASCR, v. v. i. (IMG) invites applications for two independent postdoc researcher (IMG Fellow) positions

The Institute of Molecular Genetics of the Academy of Sciences is a leading Czech research institute in the field of molecular biology and genetics (www.img.cas.cz). We are offering a new state-of-the-art research facilities, excellent collaboration conditions and international working environment.

The purpose of the recruitment is to identify excellent and ambitious individuals with the ability to establish independent and original research early in their scientific carrier. Mentoring by more experienced scientists will provide IMG Fellows with administrative help and scientific guidance, including project discussions and joint lab meetings/journal clubs with the mentor's group. IMG Fellows will therefore be asked to nominate one of the IMG group leaders as their official mentor. However, IMG Fellows are expected to conduct and publish their research independently.

IMG Fellows are appointed for up to five years. No teaching duty is associated with the IMG Fellow position. IMG Fellows are expected to recruit undergraduate and/or PhD students, who will perform research under their guidance. External funding is highly desirable – it is expected that direct costs of research (including personnel costs) will be covered by extramural funding obtained prior or during the first year of the appointment. The IMG Fellow will be considered for promotion to a junior-group leader position at the IMG by the end of the fourth year. The evaluation will be performed by an expert committee nominated by the director and the Institute's Council.

Eligibility

Applicants should have obtained their PhD no more than 8 years prior to the date of application (May 31, 2014) and should be no more than 35 years old. Maternity (paternity) leave is excluded from both these time limits. Applicants from any area of molecular biology, cell and developmental biology, cancer biology, genetics, virology, or molecular immunology will be considered.

How to apply

There are no specific application forms. Applications should include the following documents:

- curriculum vitae
- publication list
- PhD graduation certificate/diploma
- approx. 2-page synopsis of previous research
- approx. 2-page proposal of proposed research
- nomination of a mentor from within IMG
- grant support (grants awarded and pending grant applications)
- names and addresses of three referees

Important dates and selection procedure

a) The documents must be submitted electronically to the Institute's office by May 31, 2014.

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b) Selected candidates will be invited for an interview at IMG (due June-August, 2014; the interview date will be negotiable). Final results will be announced no later than October 1, 2014.

c) Expected starting time – 2015/2016

Additional information

Flat-rate contribution: CZK 400,000 annually to be used at IMG Fellow's discretion

Space and equipment: laboratory and office space, basic laboratory equipment, Institute's shared equipment