Imperial Post-Doctoral, Post-CCT Research Fellowship (IPPRF)

Applicant Guidelines: November 2018

Purpose of Fellowship
The aim of the Imperial College London Imperial Post-Doctoral, Post-CCT Research Fellowship (IPPRF) opportunity is to draw on the research strengths of Imperial College London and attract the highest quality early stage clinical academics finishing medical clinical training to work towards Clinician Scientist, Wellcome Trust or other externally funded clinical research mid-level awards.

Key Output
The key output of the 2-year Fellowship is for post holders to prepare and submit an application for an intermediate Fellowship/clinician scientist programme.

Funding
The funding for the IPPRF comes jointly from the Imperial Wellcome Trust Institutional Strategic Support Fund (ISSF) and Faculty of Medicine Departments. Departments are expected to make a 50% contribution to the award and as such all application proposals must be discussed with the appropriate Departmental Research Manager and Head of Department first, and require sign-off from both.

Who can Apply?
- Awards will be made to outstanding Post-Doctoral, post-CCT candidates who have the potential to become leaders in academic medicine and can demonstrate evidence of high quality publications from research.
- Applicants should review the Job Description and Person Specification carefully before applying. They should be confident that they are able to fulfil all requirements stated in the Person Specification and have a clear and credible aim of application for an Intermediate Fellowship before approaching an Imperial Department to discuss potential support.

How to Apply
The Application process consists of two stages, firstly Departmental support and then submission of a formal application. After gaining support from ‘host’ Departments formal applications should be submitted to the Job Applicants section of the Imperial website, http://www.imperial.ac.uk/jobs/. Vacancy Reference: MED000947. The following documents should be submitted:
1. Fully completed Job application form
2. Fully completed/signed IPPRF application form (including confirmation of support from a FoM Head of Department and Research Manager and costings/InfoEds)
3. Curriculum Vitae (maximum 5 pages)

Important Notes for Applicants
The Application process consists of two stages.
- Stage 1: [Deadline: Monday 28 January 2019, 17.00hrs] Applicants must gain support from the proposed ‘host’ Department in the Imperial Faculty of Medicine using the IPPRF Application form before finalising and submitting their applications to the Job Applicants section of the Imperial website. See CATO website for Departmental contact details.
Stage 2: [Deadline: Monday 25 February 2019, midnight] Applicants must submit the signed/approved IPPRF application form, CV and completed Job Application via the Job Applicants section of the Imperial website:

- The Imperial Job Application Form includes space for you to write a statement in support of your application. This section should be used to state why you believe you are a suitable candidate for the post and explain how you meet the requirements described in the Person Specification at the back of the Job Description. Please follow these instructions when preparing your personal statement. This section should not be used as space to simply re-present your CV or research proposal.
- The Job Application Form includes a section for ‘Research’. This should be used to describe your research undertaken to date and not details of your proposed research for the IPPRF award. Details about your IPPRF research proposal should be entered in the IPPRF Application form.
- CVs should be a Maximum 5 pages long. Please include information about your current role; past employment; relevant experience; higher education (degrees etc); publications and conferences.

Clinical Lecturers
Applications from current Clinical Lecturers will only be considered if applicants can clearly justify why they require further time before applying for an intermediate fellowship and what the IPPRF award will offer above the current CL post.

Evaluation and funding
Applications will be considered by a panel of senior researchers from the Faculty of Medicine, with the highest scoring applications being invited to attend an interview in April 2019.

Deadlines and key dates

Stage 1: Departmental Deadline: Monday 28 January 2019* (17.00hrs)
*Applicants to contact Imperial Depts to identify potential projects, get confirmation of support and InfoEd costings for including in IPPRF application form (before submitting formal ‘job’ application). This the absolute latest date that applicants can approach departments, they are advised to do so early as possible to discuss their application and give enough time for departmental approval.

Stage 2: Application Deadline: Monday 25 February 2019* (midnight)
* Applicants to submit finalised application documentation online via ICL Job Applicant section to include: Job Application form, CV, completed and approved IPPRF Application form (including costings)

Interview Date: Friday 26 April 2019
Fellowship Start Date: 1 September 2019 - 31 March 2020

Contacts
- Further details about the IPPRF opportunity can be found on the Clinical Academic Training Office (CATO) website: https://www.imperial.ac.uk/medicine/study/clinical-academic-training-office/training-pathways-for-doctors/ipp-research-fellowship/
- Informal enquiries about the IPPRF opportunities can be sent to the CATO team at: cato@imperial.ac.uk
- Questions about the online Job Application form should be directed to the CATO team for passing on to colleagues in HR.