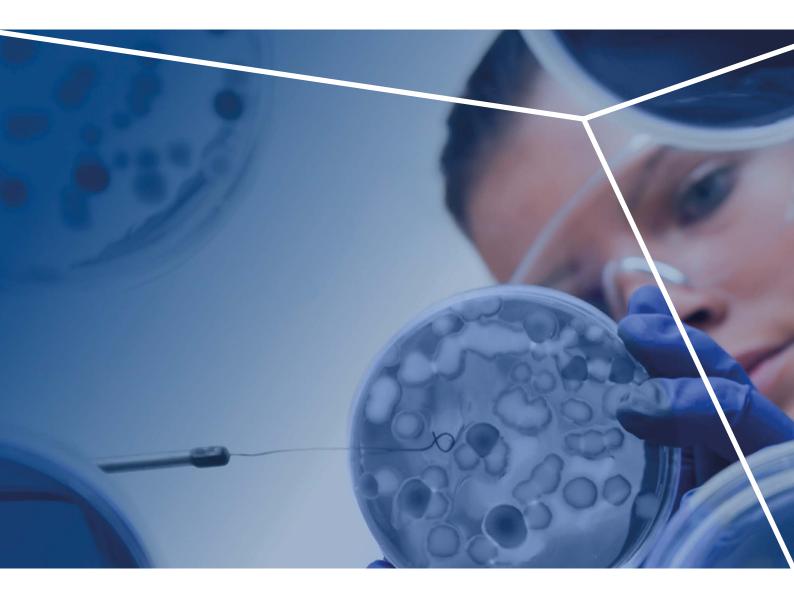


# IBSA Foundation Fellowships 2023 Call



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With the aim of promoting and allowing young and talented researchers to do great science, IBSA Foundation for scientific research offers **6 fellowships of € 32.000** in the following research fields:

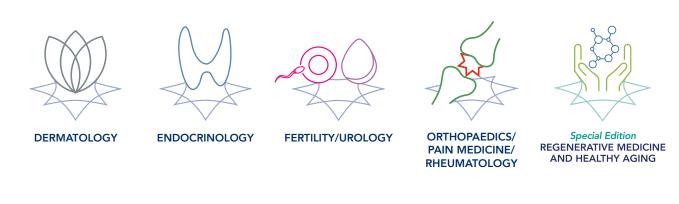
- DERMATOLOGY
- ENDOCRINOLOGY
- FERTILITY/UROLOGY
- ORTHOPAEDICS/RHEUMATOLOGY/PAIN MEDICINE

and for the 2023 special edition

#### "HEALTHY AGING/ REGENERATIVE MEDICINE"\*

\*Projects addressing at least one of these research areas will be accepted in the Healthy Aging/ Regenerative Medicine area.

Two grants will be awarded to the scientific area with the highest number of projects received.



## Eligibility

Applicants of any nationality must be under **40 years old** on the deadline for the submission of proposals.

They must have a **degree** in medicine, biology, pharmacy, biotechnology or bioengineering. **Open** to PhD students, PhD, Post-Doc and residents. Permanent positions such as Professors **cannot apply**.

For the entire duration of the grant, applicants must be active in the **Host Institution**, i.e. a research organization (such as universities, hospitals or other research centres), irrespective of its legal status (organized under public or private law), whose primary goal is to independently conduct non-economic biomedical research and to disseminate its results.

## **Application Procedure**

Applicants are invited to submit their proposals no later than the **31**<sup>st</sup> of December 2023 on the <u>dedicat-</u> <u>ed platform</u> and shall provide the following additional documents as separate files:

- 1. Curriculum Vitae
- 2. List of PubMed publications (max.5) of the past five years
- 3. Cover letter of a short self-presentation

Applications and supporting documentation are only accepted via the **online application system**.

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#### **Selection Process**

Proposals are evaluated by the Scientific Board of IBSA Foundation through a peer review process. The Board will make its final decision after having considered the recommendations of the Board. Award decisions are final.

Applicants are promptly informed as soon as a decision is reached, normally within two months from the deadline. The award is assigned only after presentation of the **acceptance letter by the Host Institution**, which should be sent to the IBSA Foundation within one week of the communication.

The Award Ceremony will be held in April 2024 in Naples at the scientific forum dedicated to Aging and Cancer. Exact date and venue will be confirmed when the results are officially. Travel costs and a one-night accommodation will be covered by IBSA Foundation. Any companions will be charged to the candidate.

#### **Evaluation Criteria**

Applications are evaluated on the following criteria:

- Quality of the project to be developed in the host laboratory (Feasibility – Originality – Scientific value – Relevance to the selected scientific area)
- CV of the candidate with particular emphasis on the research experience
- Appropriateness of the host laboratory for the proposed research

The projects of applicants, who wish to enhance their scientific profile by working at a research institution different from the laboratory of origin receive a note of merit by the Scientific Board.

#### Funding

The budget (before taxes and duties) includes funding for **salary and mobility costs**, and is intended to cover the cost of living for **12 months**. The fellowship can be added to other awards to increase the salary.

Bench fees, overheads, funds for consumables or any other financial benefits for the host supervisor/the receiving institute **are not covered**.

Projects must **start by 2024** and fellowship holders cannot move the beginning of the fellowship to the following year.

The salary rate depends on the country being visited and may be subject to taxation. IBSA Foundation cannot advise on respective national tax regulations and we recommend fellowship winners to contact the relevant authorities in the host country.

#### **Payment Instalments**

The grant will be paid in **two instalments** directly on the bank account (IBAN) indicated by the candidate. Written confirmation of the start date by the host supervisor is mandatory. A first instalment of 50% will be paid before the start of the project and the second instalment of 50% by the end of the year 2024.

#### **Acknowledgements & Responsibilities**

Publications related to the research awarded should acknowledge our support in the acknowledgement section of the manuscript and should read "IBSA Foundation for scientific research".

Each publication, press release or any other document or media communication citing results from the research carried out during the fellowship appointment must include an acknowledgement reading "IBSA Foundation for scientific research".

Every year winners are required to reply to the survey mailed by IBSA Foundation. The reply is mandatory, as well as the prompt notification of any changes of e-mail and phone number details.