

# European Association for Vision and Eye Research Foundation



## The EVER Research Fellowships

The purpose of the EVER Research Fellowships is to offer to young ophthalmologists or young vision scientists, especially from Eastern Europe or from developing countries outside Europe, the opportunity to gain experience in laboratory techniques and scientific research in leading European Departments of Vision and Eye Research.

### The following laboratories or departments have accepted to host EVER Fellows:

- **Prof. Bahram Bodaghi** - [bahram.bodaghi@psl.aphp.fr](mailto:bahram.bodaghi@psl.aphp.fr)

DHU ViewMaintain, Dept of Ophthalmology  
Pitié-Salpêtrière Hospital, 47-83 Bd de l'Hôpital, 75015, Paris, France

Topic: Diagnostic aspects of ocular infections

- **Prof. Uwe Pleyer** - [uwe.pleyer@charite.de](mailto:uwe.pleyer@charite.de)

Charité, Augustenburger Platz 1, D - 13355 Berlin, Germany

Topic: Ocular Inflammation and Immunology

- **Prof. Martine Jager** - [m.j.jager@lumc.nl](mailto:m.j.jager@lumc.nl)

Dept. of Ophthalmology, LUMC  
PO Box 9600, 2300 RC Leiden, The Netherlands

Topic: Immunology and oncology

- **Prof. Tero Kivelä, MD, FEBO** - [tero.kivela@helsinki.fi](mailto:tero.kivela@helsinki.fi)

Ophthalmic Pathology and Oncology Service, Department of Ophthalmology  
Helsinki University Central Hospital, Haartmaninkatu 4 C, PL 220, FI-00029 HUS, Helsinki, Finland

Topic: Ocular oncology, ophthalmic pathology

- **Prof. Harminder Dua** - [harminder.dua@nottingham.ac.uk](mailto:harminder.dua@nottingham.ac.uk)

Division of Ophthalmology and vision sciences, B floor, Eye ENT Centre  
University Hospital, Queens Medical Centre, Derby Road, Nottingham, NG7 2UH, England, UK

Topic: Ocular surface: Wound healing (including stem cells) and antimicrobial peptides

- **Prof. Marcela Votruba** - [votrubam@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:votrubam@cardiff.ac.uk)

School of Optometry and Vision Sciences, Cardiff University  
Maindy Road, Cathays, Cardiff, CF24 4L, UK

Topic: Inherited optic neuropathy and mitochondrial studies

## Eligibility Criteria

The duration of the fellowship is limited to 6 months.

- the candidate should possess a relevant University Master's Degree in a field related to ophthalmology or visual sciences and be affiliated to a department of Ophthalmology or visual sciences. The candidate must not necessarily be a resident in ophthalmology or an ophthalmologist
- originate from Eastern Europe or from a developing country outside Europe
- be 40 years of age or less at time of application
- be recommended by the head of the department in a teaching institution
- be accepted by one of the hosts on the list
- be reasonably fluent in English. Fluency in English will be ascertained by supervisor in host institution through personal contact or telephone interview
- be committed to return to his/her home country in order to apply what he/she learned, in his/her department of origin
- possession of a higher degree from a local university or organisation or having passed the European Board of Ophthalmology examination will be an advantage. The ICO examinations (Basic Science, Optics and Refraction, Clinical Sciences, Advanced Exam) will be considered as equivalent and will be acceptable..

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- The EVER Research Fellowship offers a stipend for up to 6 months (max. 1.500 € per month). The Fellow will be responsible for all his/her expenses including health insurance and professional liability insurance where required.
- Transportation support for one round trip coach (economy) air or train travel between the home country and the host.
- Requirements
  - The Fellows are required to work fulltime and devote all their efforts to the fellowship program. The emphasis will be on basic laboratory research or clinical research (clinical trials).
  - At the conclusion of their fellowship the Fellow will be expected to provide a report on their experience. This report should preferably be accompanied with representative photographs of their fellowship experience.
  - The host will also produce a report on the performance of the Fellow.
  - The Fellows will be expected to make a scientific presentation related to their fellowship experience, at the EVER meeting in the year following the completion of the fellowship.

## Application documents

Candidates for an EVER Research Fellowship in 2019 are invited to apply by sending all of the following information and documents to [ever@ever.be](mailto:ever@ever.be) prior to September 15, 2018.

1. Completion of the application form that provides personal information.
2. Letter of application of the candidate that states the goals of the fellowship and describes how the training will enhance vision or eye research in their home institute in their home country after the fellowship.
3. Curriculum Vitae of the candidate including education, training, honours, awards, presentations and publications.
4. Documentation from the host institution confirming acceptance of the candidate as suitable for a research fellowship.
5. Letter of recommendation signed by the head of the eye department or of the vision research laboratory of the candidate's home institution that includes a description of the candidate's professional training and stating how the home institution or country will benefit from the knowledge and skills gained by the candidate following the fellowship.
6. Documentation from the head of the eye department or of the vision research laboratory in the home institution regarding the position to be occupied by the candidate following completion of fellowship and return to his/her home country.

## EVER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION

### A. Personal Information

Male                       Female

Family Name.....

First Name .....

Date of Birth.....

Nationality.....

E-mail address .....

Mailing address .....

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Academic Degree(s): Diploma(s) and Certificate(s) *(Attach copies)*

Degree: .....Institution: ..... Year .....

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Home country's higher examination including Medical degree and Post graduate Diploma or Degree, or Science degree, or both. Examples include MBBS, MBChB, MD, BSc, MSc, MPhil, PhD etc.

Name of degree.....

Year awarded .....

By (university of body) .....

**For ophthalmologists only**

EBO certificate *(please attach copies)*

ICO Examinations certificate(s) *(please attach copies)*

Basic science:            Yes            No           Year .....

Optics & refraction:    Yes            No           Year .....

Clinical Sciences:       Yes            No           Year .....

Advanced Exam:        Yes            No           Year .....

Board Examination *(please attach copies)*

Country .....

Year .....

Any other relevant examination passed:

Name .....

Year of passing .....

Name of awarding body .....

**For all**

Experience in Laboratory or Research techniques

Current position .....

Institution:

*(name, city, country) [explain briefly the nature of the laboratory work undertaken and any publications arising from it in the form of peer reviewed papers, book chapters, methods, protocols etc]*

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Languages: Spoken .....

Written .....

Teaching experience:

- students.....
- residents.....
- others .....

Research experience:

*Attach list of presentations and publications unless this information is in your attached curriculum.*

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Conferences attended:

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## B. Fellowship information

Training institution

*(Once you have decided to apply you may communicate with the contact person in the list of host institutions above to request their acceptance in the event that you are successful in being selected for the EVER *f* fellowship. The positive response to this email or letter will suffice).*

Name.....

Address.....

Head of Institution.....

Topic of the fellowship.....

Starting date.....

Duration of the fellowship:    3 months             6 months

## C. Anticipated Post-Fellowship position

Institution name.....

Institution address .....

Head of the institution.....

Attachments

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | Candidate's letter of Application  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | Candidate's Curriculum vitae   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | Documentation of acceptance for an EVER Research Fellowship (host)                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | Recommendation letter from the Head of department of country of origin                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | Documentation by head of department of the position to be occupied by the candidate after fellowship |

Signature:..... Date:.....

**Submit completed application and attachments by e-mail to [ever@ever.be](mailto:ever@ever.be) before Sept. 15, 2018**