

Boehringer Ingelheim Fonds: PhD Fellowships

Overview

Programme Description

The Boehringer Ingelheim Fonds offers doctoral fellowships to outstanding junior scientists who want to conduct an ambitious doctoral project in the field of basic biomedical research at an internationally leading laboratory. The financing includes a monthly stipend plus a country-dependent premium, and a fixed monthly amount for minor project-related costs. The fellowships are initially awarded for 2 years with the option to extend for up to 18 months. Moreover, participation in international scientific conferences and practice-oriented training courses is supported. Beside the financial support, fellows receive personal support, participate in seminars where they discuss their research projects with other fellows, and attend communication trainings designed especially for the needs of scientists.

Target Group

Outstanding European junior scientists who want to do research worldwide, and non-European scientists wishing to do research in Europe. Applicants must have obtained their first university entrance qualification (secondary school leaving certificate, A-levels, or entrance test for first university studies after finishing school) within 8 years (96 months) before the application deadline.

Academic Requirements

Natural scientists should have obtained their last university degree (BSc, diploma, MSc or equivalent) before starting their doctorate. Please apply when you are starting your doctoral project or have just started, preliminary results are not expected. If you started your project more than 6 months before the deadline, you are no longer eligible to apply.

Eligible applicants meet the following criteria: (1) outstanding academic record, (2) research proposal of extraordinary scientific quality and (3) excellent scientific standard of the laboratory, in which the project is to be realised.

Number of Scholarships

about 45 fellowships per year

Duration

2 years with the option to apply for an extension of up to 18 months

Scholarship Value

- base amount of 1,650 EUR per month plus individual country allowance, i.e., of 300 EUR in Germany and 1,400 EUR in the USA
- plus 150 EUR lump sum per month for material expenses
- allowance for accompanying spouses and children possible
- travel allowance possible
- attendance of tailored seminars for scientific research and networking during the fellowship and beyond
- communication training
- lifetime membership in the alumni network
- individual support by the foundation

Application Papers

All application forms and further information on the application procedure are available [here \[http://www.bifonds.de/fellowships-grants/phd-fellowships/application.html\]](http://www.bifonds.de/fellowships-grants/phd-fellowships/application.html).

Application Deadline

1 February, 1 June and 1 October of each year

Application requirements

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- Excellent academic record
- Ambitious doctoral project in the field of natural sciences, designed to make a relevant contribution to the future development in basic biomedical research
- Candidates must not have been working on the project for more than 6 months at the time of application.
- For applicants educated outside Europe: The project must be pursued in Europe.

Please also take note of our [important scholarship information \[https://www.daad.de/en/study-and-research-in-germany/scholarships/important-information-for-scholarship-applicants/\]](https://www.daad.de/en/study-and-research-in-germany/scholarships/important-information-for-scholarship-applicants/).

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