

Caltech | Funding Memo

Title: 2024 HHWF Postdoctoral Research Fellowship

Funding Agency: Helen Hay Whitney Foundation

External Deadline(s):

06/15/2023 02:00 PM PDT (Full Proposal)

Cognizant Office: Office of Sponsored Research/Office of Foundation Relations

Description:

To attain its ultimate goal of increasing the number of imaginative, well-trained and dedicated medical scientists, the Helen Hay Whitney Foundation (HHWF) Postdoctoral Research Grants support early postdoctoral training to help further the careers of young men and women engaged in biological or medical research.

Frequency: Typically annual

Total Award: \$214,500

- Stipend allowances: \$68,000 (1st year), \$70,000 (2nd year), and \$72,000 (3rd year).
- Research allowance: \$1,500 per year.
 - To be used for research expenses, such as lab supplies, computers, etc.
 - May also be used to help defray the cost of the Fellow's health insurance premiums.
 - Relocation travel expenses are reimbursed directly to the fellow.
- Dependent Child Allowance of \$1,500 per annum for each child.
- Fellows are expected to participate in the Annual Meeting of Fellows held in November of each year.
 - Expenses for travel will be reimbursed to the fellow by the Foundation.

Indirect Costs: Not Allowed

- This award is considered a "true fellowship" and will not be subject to Caltech's minimum overhead requirement, however, an approved MORA and DAF are still required.

Duration: 3 years

- One and two-year fellowships are not considered.
- Fellowship may be activated anytime from April 1, through September 1, 2024.

Discipline(s): Biology and Biological Engineering; Chemistry and Chemical Engineering; Engineering and Applied Science

Eligibility: Postdoc

- Only one application is allowed per laboratory, though multiple laboratories at the same institution may submit simultaneously.

- The Foundation will not support more than two fellows per laboratory at one time.
- The Foundation will not ordinarily consider applicants who plan tenure of the fellowship in the laboratory in which they have already received extensive predoctoral or postdoctoral training.
- Candidates who hold, or are in the final stages of obtaining a Ph.D., M.D. or equivalent degree and are seeking beginning postdoctoral training in basic biomedical research are eligible to apply for a fellowship.
- The Foundation accepts applications from candidates who have no more than one year of postdoctoral research experience at the time of the deadline for submitting the application (June 15, 2023), and who have received a Ph.D. (or D.Phil. or equivalent) degree no more than two years before the deadline, or an M.D. degree no more than three years before the deadline.
- Fellowships may be awarded to US citizens planning to work in laboratories either in the US, Canada, or abroad and also to foreign citizens for research in laboratories in the US only.
 - Foreign students will need to obtain appropriate visa documentation, as required by US immigration.
- Supplementation of the stipend is permitted. It is not acceptable, however, to hold concurrently a full fellowship from another source.
- Non-research activities, such as teaching, must not occupy more than 10% of the Fellow's time.

Research Areas of Interest:

- Basic biomedical sciences

Post-Award Obligations:

- Annual progress reporting is required.

Recent Caltech Recipients:

- Jineun Kim (Anderson Lab, 2023)
- Boya Wang (Qian Lab, 2023)
- Sierra Marable (Bronner Lab, 2022)
- Jessleen Kanwal (Parker, Dickinson Labs, 2020)
- Nicholas Porter (Arnold Lab, 2019)
- Seunghyun Sim (Tirrell Lab, 2019)
- Daniel Dar (Newman Lab, 2019)
- Anthony Szempruch (Guttman Lab, 2018)
- Lingyun Li (Anderson Lab, 2017)
- Megan Martik (Bronner Lab, 2017)
- Xiaojing Gao (Elowitz Lab, 2016)
- Ann Kennedy (Anderson Lab, 2016)
- Emily Jordan (Elowitz Lab, 2015)
- Ya-tang Li (Meister Lab, 2015)

Guidelines & Other Information:

Guidelines: <http://hhwf.org/research-fellowship/>

Current Fellows: <http://hhwf.org/current-fellows/>

Scientific Advisory Committee: <http://hhwf.org/organization/>

Please notify the Foundation Relations team if you anticipate making a submission or if you have any questions regarding this opportunity. We are here to help ensure that Caltech's proposals are competitive. We can assist with proposal development and advise you on the routing of your paperwork. Interested researchers should work with their division grant manager to prepare the budget, the MORA form, and the Division Approval Form (DAF). Submissions and awards for this grant program will be processed through the Office of Sponsored Research.

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