

Dutch Kidney Foundation

Call for Proposals

Kolff Visiting Senior Scientist Grant

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Grant

Kolff Visiting Senior Scientist Grant. This Grant is an initiative of the section Care & Innovation (C&I) of the Dutch Kidney Foundation (DKF).

Aim

Stimulation of the international network of nephrology in the Netherlands and professional dissemination and education about renal research. Strengthening research and development of renal therapies in the Netherlands and abroad.

Applicants

The Kolff Visiting Senior Scientist (Visitor) is an established senior renal scientist working at a research institute abroad. Proposals are submitted by a renal scientist whose working base is a research institute in the Netherlands (Applicant), in collaboration with the proposed Visitor. Applications can be submitted throughout the year until the reserved budget for the grant has been exhausted.

Conditions

The DKF General Funding Requirements (1 January 2017) apply, in addition the following special conditions apply.

- The Visitor is a leading international biomedical, behavioral or social researcher with a strong track record in renal research whose working base is not in the Netherlands.
- The Applicant is a researcher with a strong track record in renal research. The Applicant is affiliated to, not necessarily employed by, a Dutch UMC department of nephrology.
- The Visitor is invited by the host institute and has clear added value to the research line of the host.
- The grant provides support for the Visitor collaborating on a renal research project in the Netherlands.
- The grant awards up to € 2.000,- per month for a visit of 1 to 4 months.
- The total visit period may be divided over multiple visits within 6 months, but the grant budget will be based on the actual period of residence in the Netherlands.
- An additional budget up to € 500,- (member countries of the European Union) or up to € 1500,- (countries outside of the European Union) can be requested for international travel expenses.
- The proposal's budget is restricted to expenses for travel in the Netherlands, living, materials and consumables directly connected with the visit plan.
- The DKF can request for receipts and invoices.
- The proposal includes a visit plan that contains, for example, the following items:
 - collaborative research with researchers working in the Netherlands;
 - visits to research centres in the Netherlands;
 - professional seminars on specific nephrological research topics in the Netherlands.
- The visit plan is proportional to the proposed budget.
- The DKF encourages the exchange of research fellows during the visit period of the senior researcher. However, the costs related to this exchange can not be paid from this Grant.
- The host institute fully support the visit and to contribute to the visit in kind or in cash. The Visitor retains his position abroad. Added to the proposal is a letter of invitation from the host institute.
- The grant application must be submitted at least 3 months before the start of the visit.
- The application is submitted in English using the Kolff Visiting Senior Researcher Grant application form.



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Criteria and Assessment

The DKF Program Committee assesses proposals and decides on granting. The Scientific Advisory Board can at the discretion of the DKF Program Committee advise on a proposal. Proposals are assessed according to the following criteria:

- Scientific qualities of the applicant
- Potential of the applicant for making a contribution to the renal field in the Netherlands
- Integration of the visit in ongoing research line
- Quality of the visit plan

Reporting

Within 3 months after the project's end date, the Applicant must submit a final report using the Kolff Visiting Senior Researcher evaluation form.

Payment

Payment is arranged with the Applicant and the host institute. The grant's last 10% is due after the final report (evaluation) is accepted by the DKF Program Committee.

Conditions

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Information

More information can be found on our [website](#). For questions about this call please contact the DKF program bureau, research@nierstichting.nl or phone +31(0)35 697 8011.



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