



General terms and conditions of the EANO fellowship program

Introduction

The European Association of Neurooncology (hereinafter “EANO”) has set as one of its goals to broaden the network of European Neuro-Oncology.

The EANO fellowship is intended to support that goal. Thus it excludes fellowships which would sponsor work in the applicants own institute, and also fellowships in the applicants home country are to be avoided. The department/institute where the applicant will carry out his/her project should be in a different country than the applicants home country. Only European countries are eligible.

The fellowship is a project oriented unique (one time) sum of 25.000,00 EUR, which has no strings attached regarding future obligations such as employment or otherwise to and from EANO.

The EANO fellowship covers expenditures regarding travel, accommodation and cost of living, but does not include additional costs for e.g. (but not limited to) tuition, residency, laboratory costs and administrative costs. Of the aforementioned sum of 25.000,00 EUR, an amount of 5.000,00 EUR will be paid to the department/institute where the fellowship is carried out. The remaining amount of 20.000,00 EUR will be paid to the fellow.

After the termination of the project for which the fellowship is granted, EANO does however expect an extensive report on the project and gives permission (beforehand) to publish this report on the website of EANO or in one of its journals.

Obviously EANO expects the fellow to name EANO in any paper, thesis, article, etc. that is concluded due and a consequence of the fellowship program, as “supported by an EANO fellowship”.

Conditions

1. The applicant is, at the time of receiving the application form by EANO, not older than 40.
2. The fellowships are open to European clinicians, researchers, students, doctors and scientists up to the age of 40 who are working – at present – in neurology, neurosurgery, medical oncology, radiology, radiotherapy, neuro-pathology or basis sci-



ence.

3. The applicant is not in any way funded by pharmaceutical companies in his/her work.
4. The project for which the fellowship is granted, is to be carried without any interruption. Leave of the project for more than 1 week has to be discussed with the appointed EANO Tutor. The applicant understands and accepts that EANO takes no responsibility regarding family status or family obligations of the fellow.
5. The applicant is required to take out sufficient health insurance for the duration of the project and is liable for all other mandatory (local) regulations regarding insurance.
6. The applicant is fully responsible for establishing and maintaining a cooperation with the institute/department at which the applicant wishes to work on his/her project and is aware that for the successful fulfillment of the project no language barrier should exist.
7. The Hosting Institute has expertise in the research or treatment of brain tumours: the Institute has an extensive training programme, the Institute has a significant number of brain tumour patients who are being treated or a Neurooncology laboratory with significant scientific output.
8. EANO reserves the right to lower the amount granted (or cancel the fellowship completely) if other grant-providing institutions give (or have given) substantial amounts to the applicant.
9. The applicant is aware of the fact that they represent the EANO during the course of the fellowship. The fellowship is expected to be carried out according to your milestone plan. The committee (as mentioned hereafter) will elect one EANO tutor, who will monitor the applicant's progress. The applicant is fully aware of the fact that the aforementioned tutor can visit the applicant at any time on his/her project in order to do so.
10. EANO reserves the right to terminate or postpone the further execution of the project (until further notice), in case of misbehavior or scientific misconduct of the applicant.

Applications

11. Applicants are required to hand in a project description together with the application form. This project description contains at least the following items:



- a. Title of the project;
 - b. Summary of the project (no more than 2 pages, A4);
 - c. Introduction and rationale;
 - d. Methods;
 - e. Expected results;
 - f. Scientific value.
12. Furthermore, applicants are required to attach the following documents to this application form:
- a. References (no more than 50 names);
 - b. A reference letter of the head of department of the department/institute at which the applicant is working/enrolled at the time of applying for the fellowship;
 - c. A short description (no more than one page, A4) of the institute/department in which the applicant will perform his/her project;
 - d. Milestones;
 - e. Financial plan for the project (please note that the sum of the fellowship can not be exceeded);
 - f. A recent version of the curriculum vitae of the applicant;
 - g. Copy of his/her passport;
 - h. All other documents mentioned in the application form.
13. Applicants are required to attach a letter of the head of the department/institute as proof that the applicant can indeed perform his/her project at that department/institute and that the head of the aforementioned department/institute will work with the applicant on his/her project and that there is no language barrier regarding the execution of the project.

Procedure

14. The EANO fellowship is a sign of excellence and is awarded to the best applicant.
15. Only complete applications, together with all the information named under 8, 9 and 10, send either by e-mail (in pdf-format) or regular mail (not by facsimile) will be accepted.
16. The committee will review the application based on a.o. (but not limited to):
 - the reputation of the department/institute at which the project is to be carried out;
 - suitability of the department/institute for doing the proposed research;
 - the potentially high scientific quality and innovative character of the research;
 - the contents of the letter of recommendation;



- the veracity of the budget (financial plan).
17. EANO will nominate an ad-hoc committee, which will independently review the application. In case of scientific questions, a referee, demonstrable familiar with the topic at hand, may be asked for assistance. The committee will refer to one of the referees as mentioned in his/her application, or select a referee of its own, if necessary.
 18. An interview might be part of the procedure.
 19. The recommendation of the committee will be send to the EANO jury. The judgment of the jury as to whether or not the fellowship is granted, is binding and final.

General

20. The application should be accurate and not misleading. If EANO finds that there were significant errors or omissions in the information the applicant has supplied, the fellowship will not be granted or will be withdrawn.
21. The applicant will not make commitments with financial consequences, until written confirmation that the applicant is granted the fellowship.
22. The applicant has not withheld any information (such as previous conviction or associations with terrorist organisations) that may be an impediment to eligibility for the fellowship.
23. If the personal circumstances of the applicant change due to an event or events which are genuinely beyond the applicant's control, or in ways that are generally unexpected, the applicant should inform EANO immediately. EANO will take reasonable steps to ensure the support of the fellowship, but reserves the right to withdraw the offer of a fellowship if EANO feels that the circumstances are such that this is in the best interest of EANO.
24. Any disputes deriving from (the execution of) the fellowship are exclusively subject to Belgian law and will be brought before the competent court of Brussels (Belgium).