

# UK/Middle East Travel Fellowships

# The Daniel Turnberg Trust

A prestigious scheme to encourage collaboration between biomedical researchers in the UK and the Middle East

### Introduction

The Daniel Turnberg UK/Middle East Travel Fellowship Scheme provides opportunities for biomedical researchers to travel between the UK and the Middle East. It offers applicants the chance to undertake short-term visits to further their research experience and learn new techniques, with the aim of establishing research links and developing ongoing scientific collaborations.

Grants will be awarded to early and mid-career medical researchers and bioscientists from the UK to spend time in laboratories and hospitals in the Middle East and for researchers in those countries to come to the UK.

The scheme is administered by the Academy of Medical Sciences and all correspondence should be directed to them.

### **Criteria of the UK/Middle East Travel Fellowships**

- The countries included in the scheme are Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, the Palestinian Territories and the UK.
- The Fellowships are aimed primarily at researchers in the early to mid-stage of their research careers. Fellowships are open to medical and non-medical graduates who can demonstrate a commitment to a career in research and are, for example, at lecturer and/or post-doctoral level. Their research may be in any field within the broad scope of medical and bioscience research.
- The Fellowship grant will provide air fare and a subsistence allowance for a period of up to four weeks.

## **Application process**

#### Applications should be made through the candidate's Head of Department who will act as sponsor. Host departments should indicate their willingness to accept a visit from the candidate.

The following application materials should be submitted:

- A completed application form, available to download from **www.acmedsci.ac.uk/turnberg**
- A letter from the candidate's Head of Department, summarising the applicant's principal achievements, the significance of these and the impact they may have had. The letter should indicate that the home institution is willing for the candidate to participate in the scheme.
- A letter from the Head of Department at the host institution confirming their willingness to participate in the scheme and accept a visit from the candidate.
- The individual's current CV.

An awards committee comprised of key representatives from the Academy of Medical Sciences will oversee the award process.

#### Please post applications to:

Grants Officer Academy of Medical Sciences 41 Portland Place London W1B 1QH

Or email to: grants@acmedsci.ac.uk



#### **The Daniel Turnberg Trust**

In June 2007 Daniel Turnberg died in an aeroplane crash in Africa at the age of 37 years. He had already made a mark as a bright young doctor and as a medical researcher and was destined for a future full of promise. A graduate of Leeds University he trained first in hospitals in Yorkshire before starting his specialist training in renal medicine in a series of London teaching hospitals. He went on to obtain his PhD for

his research into the role of the immune system in kidney disease at Imperial College and the Hammersmith Hospital before taking up a Lectureship in renal medicine at the Royal Free Hospital in 2006.

But above all his academic achievements it was the universal view of his kind and gentle nature, his compassion for others and his sense of fun and enthusiasm for everything that life had to offer that earned him the love, respect and admiration of his patients, colleagues and wide circle of friends.

In setting up this fund his parents hope to continue a keen interest he had in international medicine and in encouraging greater understanding between Israel, the Middle East and the UK.



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