

IKERBASQUE RESEARCH FELLOWS CALL 2015 for postdoctoral researchers

Ikerbasque offers **15 contract positions** for postdoctoral researchers, within any of the [Basque Research Institution](#) (Universities, BERC - Basque Excellence Research Centres, CIC – Cooperative Research Centres, Biomedical institutions and Technology Corporations, among others). Find also specific information about some [Research Groups](#).

These Fellowships are directed to promising young researchers; they are intended to offer a track towards a PI role and independent research. During the initial years of the Fellowships, the research outcome of host research groups should be increased with fellow's work and he/she should be able to acquire the necessary skills for a research leader role.

The evaluation committee will only consider strongest candidates with excellent leadership capabilities and an outstanding research record.

Applications from women are especially welcomed. The eligibility period is extended under special circumstances such as maternity or long-term illness.

Candidates can only apply to one of the annual Ikerbasque calls, Research Professors or Research Fellows.

MAIN CHANGES FROM PREVIOUS CALLS

- These positions are financed by Basque Government, European Commission and Host institution where the researcher will develop his/her research.
- Host Institution covers 40% of the budget.
- Candidates are now responsible for contacting their referees so the letters are uploaded by deadline.
- Any time a new referee is added to the application, a URL will be automatically generated. The candidate must send it to the referee, so he/she can upload his/her reference letter.

SUMMARY DATA

Deadline:	April the 15 th 2015 at 13.00, CET
Maximum Duration of Contract:	5 years.
Salary	The gross annual salary of the Fellowship is 32,500€. The corresponding annual net income after taxes, social security and medical coverage would be approximately 25,000€. There is a moving allowance for those researchers that come from a research institution outside the Basque Country:

	▪ 4,000 € gross for researchers coming from a foreign research institution. ▪ 2,000 € gross for researchers coming from a Spanish research institution outside the Basque Country.
Contract	Ikerbasque Research Fellowships are a 5 year employment contract with full social security under the regulations of the Spanish Science Law 14/2011.
Candidates	▪ Promising young researchers ▪ The applicants must have their PhD completed between 1/1/2005 and 31/12/2012. This eligibility period will be extended under special circumstances such as maternity or long-term illness. ▪ Promising research track and international experience will be considered. ▪ At least two reference letters are mandatory, additional letters are strongly encouraged. ▪ Also an acceptance letter from the PI of the host research group, department or institution is mandatory. Please note the letter from the host institution will also be assessed by the evaluation committee as a reference letter. ▪ Researchers with a permanent position in the Basque Country are not eligible under this call. ▪ This call is cofinanced by the 7th Framework Programme of the European Commission; at least 75% of the positions will be awarded to candidates who meet the Marie Curie international mobility criteria, meaning the applicant has not lived, worked or studied in Spain for more than 12 months out of the three years immediately prior to the deadline of this call.
Evaluation Procedure:	The external evaluation committee is composed of members of the international scientific community. The list of evaluators was sent to the European Commission at the start of this programme. The evaluation of the applications is based on: ▪ Scientific merit and research track ▪ Relevance of research topic and latest publications ▪ Concordance with Basque research capabilities ▪ Added Value to research group/organisation and Basque Science Systems These items are assessed in relation to the average performance of the applicants. Check the Selection Process below.
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RESEARCH FELLOWS 2015 Selection Process

