PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

Welch Postdoctoral Fellows of the Life Sciences Research Foundation

The Robert A. Welch Foundation is launching a new postdoctoral fellowship program, in conjunction with Life Sciences Research Foundation (LSRF). The program will support recent PhD graduates from around the world to develop their chemical research careers in Texas. Successful candidates will be awarded three-year fellowships of $97,000/year. In addition to the stipend and research allowance provided through LSRF ($77,000/year), Welch will provide a supplemental research grant directly to the host institution ($20,000/year) with the fellow named as principal investigator. Applications are due to LSRF on October 1 and will be evaluated by their Peer Review Committee. The finalists who meet Welch Foundation eligibility requirements will be evaluated by our Scientific Advisory Board in February and prioritized for funding. The LSRF will be informed of the Welch-approved candidates and will finalize the documentation and announce the awardees. The grant will have a start date of August 1. As with other research programs funded by the Welch Foundation, ‘chemical research’ includes all subfields of Chemistry (organic, inorganic, physical, analytical, quantum, surface, theoretical, medicinal, catalysis, earth, space, and electrochemistry) and the allied fields of Biochemistry, Chemical Biology, Chemical Physics, Chemical Engineering, Materials Science, and Nanoscience (including Photonics and Plasmonics).

Key Details

- Online application system at the LSRF portal opens for submissions on August 15.
- Deadline for submitting an application through LSRF is October 1 before 8:00pm EST.
- Deadline for submitting proposed supervisor letter and three reference letters to LSRF is November 1 before 8:00pm EST.
- Applicants must apply within 5 years of receiving their PhD as of October 1, 2023.
- Applicants must be coming to work in a Texas lab and must have begun (or will begin) working in the proposed postdoctoral position between August 1, 2022 and July 31, 2024. However, Funding preference will be given to candidates who have not yet joined the proposed sponsoring laboratory at the time their applications are submitted (October 1, 2023).
- The postdoctoral position must be in a lab different from that of the graduate (thesis) lab.

More application information can be found at https://lsrf.org/apply/

Information about this program with The Welch Foundation can be found at https://welch1.org/grants-programs/postdoctoral-fellows