

## FEBS Summer Fellowships

### General Guidelines for Fellowships

<https://www.febs.org/our-activities/fellowships/guidelines/> downloaded on 26/1/2024

- FEBS Fellowships and Scholarships are intended to allow members of a FEBS Constituent Society to work in a laboratory in an academic institution in a different FEBS country from that in which they are normally working.
- Applicants (except those applying for a Summer Fellowship) should be a member of a FEBS Constituent Society.
- Applications from senior scientists and/or from scientists working for commercial companies will not be considered.
- FEBS Fellowships and Scholarships may not be used to complement, or as an extension to, another fellowship or scholarship. Applicants should state whether applications have been submitted to other funding bodies for the same project and whether any other fellowships have been received towards the same visit.
- No grant will be given by FEBS to the institute receiving the Fellow or Scholarship holder to cover research costs or bench fees.
- FEBS does not recognise recipients of its Fellowships or Scholarships as agents or employees of the Federation and accepts no liability for their actions and activities, or for their health and safety. It is the responsibility of the Fellow or the Scholarship holder to ensure that the host institute is fully covered by the appropriate insurances.
- Medical and travel insurance are not provided by FEBS. Recipients of Fellowships and Scholarships are urged to ensure that they are fully covered by the necessary insurances.
- FEBS is a non-governmental organisation and its Fellowships, Scholarships, Awards and Grants are not automatically endowed with any tax privileges. It is the responsibility of the recipient to pay any taxes levied by a national authority.
- Delayed starts for FEBS Fellowships can be considered while uncertainties due to the Covid pandemic remain.

### Summer Fellowships

<https://www.febs.org/funding/fellowships/summer-fellowships/> downloaded on 26/1/2024

FEBS Summer Fellowships are awarded to young promising students in a FEBS country wishing to gain practical scientific experience in an institution located in a different FEBS country.

Applicants should be registered graduate students in a FEBS country who have not yet submitted a doctoral thesis. They need not be members of a FEBS Constituent Society.

Summer Fellowships are awarded once a year. Applications should normally be submitted via the online application system before April 1st of the corresponding year.

For detailed information, please read the following Guidelines carefully.

### Guidelines for FEBS Summer Fellowships

**To be read in conjunction with the [General Guidelines for Fellowships](#).**

1. FEBS Summer Fellowships are intended to provide experience to young promising students in an institution within the FEBS area in a country different from that where the applicant studies. The mobility is a prerequisite.
2. Candidates already in place in the host lab will not be eligible.
3. The applicants should be engaged (as a Master or PhD student) in laboratory research in a FEBS country and have not yet submitted a doctoral thesis.
4. Summer Fellowships are not awarded for attendance at courses, symposia, meetings or congresses.
5. The Fellowship will consist of a single sum of money, the total amount of which will be determined by the FEBS

Fellowships Committee, in consultation with the FEBS Treasurer. It amounts currently to €3,500.

6. Only one application per PI will be funded.

7. Summer Fellowships are awarded once a year. Applications should be submitted online before May 1<sup>st</sup> of the corresponding year.

8. The application process is handled via the [online application system](#).

9. The completed online application written in English will be submitted to the Chairperson of the FEBS Fellowships Committee and should include the following information:

- a. A short description of the work to be done on no more than two A-4 sized pages of single-spaced text giving the title of the project, clearly indicating the experiments to be carried out whilst at the host institute and setting out the benefits to be derived from the visit. The document must be uploaded in pdf format.
- b. A short curriculum vitae with a list of publications in the format of the references required by the FEBS Journal and a list of conference abstracts.
- c. A host acceptance from the appointed head of the host institute or department, countersigned by the head of the research group(s) in which the applicant will be working, confirming that the applicant will be accepted to work at the institute, that its facilities will be made available to him/her to pursue the training/research proposed and that it will not ask FEBS or the applicant for any additional research grant, bench fees, or overheads, and indicating any dates the applicant has already spent at the institute. This should be provided on the official host acceptance form that can be downloaded from the application system, and should be scanned and uploaded with the other applications documents. Please do not modify the form whatsoever; it must stay as it is.
- d. A referee's letter (as a letterheaded document) supporting the application from the institution where the applicant is working or studying, with an opinion on his/her practical skills, scientific curiosity, dedication, strong/weak points and degree of maturity. The referee will be provided with a link for direct upload of their letter. Candidates are advised to notify the referee well in advance.

10. Applications will be assessed by the Fellowships Committee and the decisions will normally be communicated to applicants by the second week of June of the same year.

11. There is no fixed duration for the Fellowship, but it should take place between July 1 and October 30 of the current year. Date deferrals due to Covid-19 travel restrictions are possible. Requests for date changes will require the authorization of the Chairperson of the FEBS Fellowships Committee.

12. Within three months of completion of the Fellowship, Fellows must send electronically to the Chairperson of the FEBS Fellowships Committee a short report detailing the work done while in receipt of the Fellowship. The FEBS Fellowship should be acknowledged in any work published relating to the project funded, and two reprints of each article should be sent electronically to the Chairperson of the Fellowships Committee.

13. The author of the report judged to be the best in that year will receive a prize, which currently amounts to €500.

14. Applications for a second award of a FEBS Summer Fellowship will not be considered. However, past recipients of a Summer Fellowship who fulfil the requirements of a Collaborative Developmental Scholarship or a Short-Term Fellowship may apply for these, but the application may only be made after at least one year of completion of their Summer Fellowship.

## **FEBS Summer Fellowships 2024**

[https://fellowships.febs.org/summer\\_2024/](https://fellowships.febs.org/summer_2024/) downloaded on 5/2/2024

FEBS Summer Fellowships are awarded to young promising students in a FEBS country wishing to gain practical scientific experience in an institution located in another country within the FEBS area.

**Applications as well as the referees' letters of support must be received by 5.00pm CET on Monday 1st April 2024. Incomplete applications will NOT be accepted. Please make sure that your application and your letter of support reach us before the closing date.**

To apply, you are required to register. This enables you to save your application and revisit/edit it before submitting, or to check its status. **It is recommended that you register as soon as possible.**

To register, please go to the [Application Registration](#) page.

Fellowship Call Details

Eligibility requirements

- Applicants must be engaged as master or PhD students in laboratory research and must not have yet submitted a doctoral thesis.
- Fellowships are not awarded for attendance at courses, symposia, meetings or congresses.
- In order to be eligible to apply for a Summer Fellowship, applicants need to be working in a laboratory in a [FEBS country](#) and to be seeking to work in a laboratory in a different FEBS country.
- Applications must be aimed at furthering the science of biochemistry and molecular biology.
- Past holders of a Summer Fellowship may not apply for another Summer Fellowship. However, past recipients of a Summer Fellowship who fulfil the requirements of a [Collaborative Developmental Scholarship](#) may apply for such a Scholarship, but this application may only be made after at least one year of completion of their Summer Fellowship.
- Please view the [Eligibility Requirements](#) for further details. The FEBS Fellowships Office is unable to answer queries relating to your eligibility; please follow the instructions and refer to the [guidelines](#) for more detailed explanations.
- Candidates must provide details for an experienced scientist who has agreed to submit a letter supporting the application through the website. The referee must be from the institution where candidates have worked or studied in the preceding year and will be asked for an opinion on the candidate's practical skills, scientific curiosity and dedication, strong/weak points and degree of maturity. Candidates are encouraged to ask their PhD supervisor to provide this letter.
- **The application as well as a referee's letter of support must be submitted online by 5.00pm CET on Monday 1st April 2024.**

#### Fellowship details

- The Fellowship will consist of a single sum of money, the total amount of which will be determined by the FEBS Fellowships Committee, in consultation with the FEBS Treasurer. In 2024, it amounts to €3,500.
- Applications must be completed in English.
- The Fellowship should be used between July 1 and October 30 of the current year. Requests for date changes will require the authorization of the Chairperson of the FEBS Fellowships Committee.
- Within three months of completion of the Fellowship, Fellows **must** send electronically a short report detailing the work done while in receipt of the Fellowship to the Chairperson of the FEBS Fellowships Committee. The FEBS Fellowship should be acknowledged in any work published relating to the project funded, and two reprints of each article should be sent electronically to the Chairperson of the Fellowships Committee.
- The author of the report judged to be the best in that year will receive a prize, which currently amounts to €500.
- Please view the [FEBS Summer Fellowships](#) page for further information.

#### Application timetable

- The application process begins on **Thursday 1st February 2024.**
- The application **and** one letter of support must be submitted through the website by **5.00pm CET on Monday 1st April 2024.** Incomplete applications will not be accepted.
- Decisions will be communicated to the applicants no later than **15th June 2024.**
- Fellowships will commence earliest on **1st July 2024.**

#### Application Registration

[https://fellowships.febs.org/summer\\_2024/registration/index/](https://fellowships.febs.org/summer_2024/registration/index/) downloaded on 5/2/2024

Applicants must be engaged as a master or PhD student and have not yet submitted a doctoral thesis. Please view the [Eligibility Requirements](#) for further details. The FEBS Fellowships Office is unable to answer queries relating to your eligibility; please follow the instructions.

By registering, you state your interest in applying for a Summer Fellowship. You will be asked to provide some basic contact details and will be emailed instructions which enable you to access the application system. This system provides all the facilities required to submit your application.

To proceed with your application, please read the terms and conditions below carefully, tick the box and click on the Details button.

#### Terms & Conditions

- The details you provide here will be used by FEBS to review and process your application. Information about how we may use the details you provide can be found in our [Privacy Policy](#).

- FEBS will not take any responsibility for delays occurring due to technical problems with the system or the website.
- Letters of support provided by referees are confidential and their contents will not be disclosed to candidates.
- FEBS will not accept any submissions after 5.00pm CET on Monday 1st April 2024.
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