



Deadline	Throughout the year 2025
Call name	EMBO: Scientific Exchange Grants 2025 (formerly Short Term Fellowships)
www	https://www.embo.org/funding/fellowships-grants-and-career-support/scientific-exchange-grants/
Focused on	Joint basic research in life-sciences; short research visits between laboratories in EMBC eligible countries; facilitate collaborations with research groups with expertise techniques or infrastructure that is unavailable in the applicant's laboratory
Applicant	Active research scientist at any career stage with a least one year of PhD (or equivalent) experience: group leader, senior researcher, junior researcher, postdoc, PhD student
Host institution	One host and one receiving research organisation or university in an EMBC Member State: Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Türkiye, United Kingdom / EMBC/EMBO Global Partners: India, Singapore, Taiwan, Chile
Call opens	Jan 2025
Final deadline	Throughout the year 2025. It is recommended that applications are submitted at least three months before the proposed start date of the research visit.
Evaluation results	Within 3 months
Signature of agreement	
Earliest date of implementation	None
Latest date of implementation	None
Sustainability	The Fellowship applicant must return to his/her home laboratory for at least 6 months immediately after the fellowship. The applicant must provide a letter signed by his/her home institution certifying that he/she has returned to work there for at least 6 months after the completion of the EMBO SEG.
Reporting	A two page final activity report must be submitted within 6 months of completing the research visit. A letter (in English) signed by their home institution certifying that they have returned to work there for at least 6 months after the completion of the EMBO Scientific Exchange Grant.
Project duration (min-max)	7–90 days (up to 3 months) Awarded applicants can stay on their research visit for an additional three months (maximum), however, EMBO will not provide funding for this extended period.
Allocation for the call	NA
Project budget (min-max)	Daily subsistence rate depends on the country being visited
Success rate	57% (2022), 59% (2021), 65% (2020), 63% (2019), 56% (2018), 48% (2017), 57% (2016)
Eligible costs	The fellowships cover travel costs and subsistence of the fellow only and not of dependents.
Mode of funding	Ex-ante
Language of application	English
Provider	EMBO, Heidelberg, Germany, www.embo.org Karin Dumstrei (+49 6221 8891 122) Elsie Chan (+49 6221 8891 409), fellowships@embo.org
Call identifier	EMBO-SEG-2025
Call info	The EMBO Scientific Exchange Grants fund research exchanges of up to three months between laboratories in eligible countries. The aim is to facilitate valuable collaborations with research groups applying techniques that are unavailable in the applicant's laboratory. Scientific Exchange Grants are intended for joint research work rather than consultations.
Conditions / Restrictions	The applicant needs to register for an EMBO online application account. Once login details for the account have been received it is possible to start an application. Applicants can apply repeatedly, as long as this is for a new project in a different laboratory. Reapplication is only possible 12 months after the end of the previous SEG or in the case of unsuccessful applicants, the date of application. Applicants may only submit one application , for one project, at one host laboratory in each round of selection. It is recommended that applications

	<p>be submitted at least 3 months before the proposed start date of the research visit, or at minimum, applications must be submitted before the start date of the research visit. Applications to work with former colleagues, PhD or postdoc supervisors or to work in laboratories previously visited will not be considered.</p> <p>Applications to visit laboratories in the context of an already existing long-term collaboration or involving previous exchanges of scientists will not be considered.</p> <p>The proposed project must be directly related to the work being developed in the home laboratory.</p> <p>Applications to work on a project purely applied, intended to develop a product (commercial or not) or a procedure will not be considered. All projects must have a biological significance and should aim to increase our knowledge on a particular biological process. Similarly, applications for the exclusive purpose of training in a technique rather than as a component of a wider research project, will not be considered for funding.</p> <p>All research activities must be in compliance with fundamental ethical and research integrity principles, such as those set out in the Belmont Report: Ethical Principles and Guidelines for the Protection of Human Subjects of Research, and in the Singapore Statement on Research Integrity. EMBO awardees are provided with free access to an online course on research integrity. Completion of the course is strongly encouraged by EMBO.</p> <p>Do NOT indicate the journal impact factor. EMBO is a signatory of DORA, https://sfdora.org/</p> <p>The applicant should list and activate contacts of two referees and the host institute supervisor. It is the responsibility of the applicant to check that the referees and the host supervisor have received the request and have completed the form.</p> <p>Figures and tables cannot be included in the application.</p>
Proposal consists of	<p>1) Online Application Form via the EMBO online system, https://applications.embo.org/register.php?reg=80DN:</p> <p>(i) Applicant; (ii) Contact details for two referees; (iii) Contact details for the receiving institute & supervisor; (iv) Proposed work: a 250-word summary, a 1500-word synopsis of the proposed activity, references, keywords, subject area, proposed duration, justification (200 words), career plan; (v) Present work: home institute, current position, current work (500 words), benefit to home lab (200 words); (vi) Scientific CV: research experience, full CV since PhD research, education, PhD award, publications; (vii) Other funding sources; career breaks.</p> <p>2) Two reference letters: one must be from the current supervisor, neither can come from referees in the host institute. In the case that the applicant is already an independent researcher, only one reference letter from a legal representative of the home institution (Dean, Director etc.) is required.</p> <p>3) Acceptance letter from the receiving institute submitted by the host supervisor</p> <p>4) ORCID ID, https://orcid.org/register</p>
Evaluation criteria	<p>(1) Quality of the project to be developed in the host laboratory (novelty, feasibility).</p> <p>(2) The suitability of the host laboratory for the proposed work and previous interactions with the home laboratory. Is the topic covered in sufficient depth and breadth?</p> <p>(3) Value of the exchange for the laboratories involved (expertise or technology transfer, collaboration, co-publication).</p> <p>(4) CV of the candidate, and in particular research experience.</p>
Research areas	<p>Cell Cycle, Cell & Tissue Architecture, Cellular Metabolism, Chromatin & Transcription, Development, Differentiation & Death, Evolution & Ecology, Genome Stability & Dynamics, Genomic & Computational Biology, Immunology, Membranes & Transport, Microbiology, Virology & Pathogens, Molecular Medicine, Neuroscience, Plant Biology, Proteins & Biochemistry, RNA, Signal Transduction, Structural Biology & Biophysics, Systems Biology</p>
Call workshop	None
IOCB contact	<p>Please inform the IOCB Project Office (projectoffice@uochb.cas.cz) about your intention to apply. Do not hesitate to contact us anytime for consulting, discussion or help.</p> <p>Šárka Křížová sarka.krizova@uochb.cas.cz +420 220 183 527</p>
Download documents	<p>EMBO-SEG-2025 summary</p> <p>EMBO-SEG-2025 guidelines Jan 2025</p> <p>EMBO-SEG application forms</p> <p>EMBO subsistence rates (2024)</p>