A new award has been created to support Latin American, Spanish, and Portuguese graduate students or postdoctoral fellows interested in collaborative research with one of the laboratories of the Cell Biology Program of the Hospital for Sick Children (SickKids) in Toronto, Canada.

The Jacobo and Estela Klip Fund will provide $8,000 (CAD) to support the travel and accommodation expenses for successful candidates to spend a period of 4-6 months in a laboratory of their choice in the Cell Biology Program. The members of the Cell Biology Program and their areas of interest can be found at: http://www.sickkids.ca/Research/Cell-Biology/Who-We-Are/index.html

We estimate awarding up to six Klip Awards in the 2022 competition.

See below for more information and for directions to the application website.

Award Details

Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicant eligibility
  - Career stage: Masters’ or Ph.D. student or postdoctoral fellow in a university or Research Institute in Latin America, Spain, or Portugal
  - Citizenship: Mexican, Central American, South American, Spanish, or Portuguese
  - Professional membership: Awarded trainees must become members of a scientific society (e.g., PABMB; see http://pabmb.org/organization/member-societies/)

- Host Supervisor eligibility
  - Host Supervisor must be a member of the Cell Biology Program of the Research Institute of the Hospital for Sick Children of Toronto.
  - Host career stage: Scientist, Associate Scientist, Senior Scientist, Senior Associate Scientist, Scientist Track, Associate Scientist Track
  - Must commit to providing travel health insurance for the duration of the visit (estimated at ≈$300 through private insurer)

Application Process:

Applicant should contact potential Host Supervisor (defined above) to establish interest in hosting the visit.

Applications should be submitted electronically (via the SlideRoom applications system) at https://sickkids.slideroom.com/#/permalink/program/54583

Application consists of:
  a) CV of Applicant
  b) Reference letter from Applicant’s current local Supervisor
  c) Letter of agreement by proposed SickKids Host Supervisor
  d) Two-page project description (including references and figures, if appropriate)
Applications should be made before October 14, 2022 and decisions will be communicated by January 15th, 2023.

Successful candidates must then apply for Canadian visitor’s visa and/or eTA, as appropriate and must take up the award within 12 months of being awarded.

**Acceptance and Acknowledgment**

Before the funds will be disbursed, the successful candidates must complete an Award Acceptance Form within 2 months of notification, committing to:

a) completing a one-page brief at the end of the award describing how the award furthered the Applicant’s research project and career prospects

b) acknowledging the award in posters and other presentations arising from activity funded by the award.

c) sending a thank-you note to the donors prior to completion of the award. Information to contact the donors will be provided at the time of notification of the award.

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