BIH BIOMEDICAL ACADEMY
FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

BERLIN INSTITUTE OF HEALTH
Charité & Max Delbrück Center
The Berlin Institute of Health (BIH) is a new biomedical research institute focusing on translational research. The institute’s scientific leitmotiv is systems medicine, characterized by interdisciplinary research approaches. Within this framework BIH aims to develop new diagnostic, therapeutic, and preventive procedures for the ultimate benefit of patients and improved health outcomes.

To promote a new generation of translation-minded scientists and clinicians, BIH has set up a Biomedical Academy to offer highly attractive opportunities for motivated and engaged talent. The Academy provides support for and promotes integration of individual program curricula in order to harmonize existing educational offers at the MDC and the Charité and to develop new translational teaching modules. Funding from the Academy is aimed at research scientists and clinicians at all academic career levels.

We offer the following types of support:

- Medical Student Stipends
- Translational PhD Project Grants
- Junior Clinical Scientist Grants
- Clinical Scientist Grants
- Translational Postdoc Project Grants (from 2015 onwards)
Medical Student Stipends

Medical Student Stipends guarantee research time and provide motivation for excellent doctoral work whilst pursuing a Dr. med. or Dr. med. dent. degree.

- **CAREER LEVEL:** Medical or dental students

- **ELIGIBILITY:** Medical or dental students enrolled at Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin who are registered for a Dr. med. or Dr. med. dent. qualification

- **FUNDING DETAILS:** The award is a stipend of EUR 1,000 monthly for 6 to 12 months in which the student dedicates himself/herself fully to experimental work

- **HOW TO APPLY:** Stipends are advertised once a year. Application packs including a research proposal are submitted via the BIH application portal. For details, please check → www.bihealth.org.

Please direct any inquiries to: → nachwuchskommission@charite.de
Translational Postdoc Program

In 2015 the BIH Biomedical Academy will launch a Translational Postdoc Program from 2015 onwards to recruit top-level postdoctoral scientists to work on interdisciplinary projects in translational research. Postdocs will be able to either submit original project proposals or to develop topics proposed by interdisciplinary teams of BIH faculty.

- **CAREER LEVEL:** Postdoctoral scientists

- **ELIGIBILITY:** Candidates must have submitted their doctoral thesis to be eligible to apply and should have obtained their qualification prior to the beginning of the project.

- **FUNDING DETAILS:** Salary for a postdoctoral position for 3 years, as well as EUR 6,000 bench fees per year.

- **HOW TO APPLY:** The call for project proposals will be advertised once a year. Application packs including a research proposal are to be submitted via the BIH application portal. For details, please check [www.bihealth.org](http://www.bihealth.org)

Please direct any inquiries to the BIH Biomedical Academy to [academy@bihealth.de](mailto:academy@bihealth.de)
Junior Clinical Scientist Grants

Early-career clinicians with research interests can apply for financial support to continue research activities during the first years of their advanced clinical training. During residency training, 20 percent of working hours are protected for research time.

- **CAREER LEVEL:** Clinicians within the first three years of residency training

- **ELIGIBILITY:** Candidates must have a contract with Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin and must have completed less than 3 years of residency training

- **FUNDING DETAILS:** 20 percent of the clinician position for 2 years

- **HOW TO APPLY:** Junior Clinical Scientist Grants are advertised twice a year. Here, you will need to provide a project proposal outlining your planned research. Please check the Charité Clinical Scientist website for details on the next selection round and application format at [http://clinical-scientist.charite.de](http://clinical-scientist.charite.de)

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Clinical Scientist Grants

During clinical specialization, clinicians interested in biomedical research are allotted 50 percent protected research time, recognized by the Ärztekammer Berlin. A personalized curriculum including clinical, scientific, and transferable skills is provided.

- **CAREER LEVEL:** Clinicians who have completed at least three years of residency training
- **ELIGIBILITY:** Candidates must have a contract with Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin and must have completed at least three years of residency training. Candidates must have completed a Dr. med., Dr. med. dent., Dr. rer. nat., PhD or equivalent degree and demonstrate continuous scientific activity.
- **FUNDING DETAILS:** 50 percent of the clinician position for 3 years
- **HOW TO APPLY:** Positions are advertised twice a year. Here, you will need to provide a project proposal outlining your planned research. Please check the Charité Clinical Scientist website for details on the next selection round and application format at [http://clinical-scientist.charite.de](http://clinical-scientist.charite.de)

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Translational PhD Program

The BIH Translational PhD Program is aimed at qualified doctoral candidates interested in undertaking a systems medicine–oriented translational PhD project. Interdisciplinary projects are supervised by two scientists from different research areas. The BIH Biomedical Academy provides a core scientific curriculum which complements the basic curricula of our partner PhD programs where our students are enrolled.

- **CAREER LEVEL:** Doctoral candidates wishing to pursue either a Dr. rer. nat. or a PhD degree
- **ELIGIBILITY:** See the specific information provided by our partner PhD programs
- **FUNDING DETAILS:** Position for a PhD student for 3 years, as well as EUR 3,000 bench fees per year
- **HOW TO APPLY:** For available PhD projects, please see the BIH website → [www.bihealth.org](http://www.bihealth.org).

Please direct any inquiries to the BIH Biomedical Academy to → academy@bihealth.de or to the relevant partner PhD program.
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