

Would you like to become a Marie Skłodowska-Curie postdoctoral fellow at our Department?

If you are interested in applying for a Marie Skłodowska-Curie Postdoctoral Fellowship in September 2021 and you are keen to have the Department of Molecular Biology and Genetics at Aarhus University (AU) in Denmark as your host, then we would be happy to hear from you.

The Department of Molecular Biology and Genetics is part of the “Marie Skłodowska-Curie Master Class”, initiated by the Faculty of Natural Sciences and Faculty of Technical Sciences, with the goal of working on applications for MSCA Fellowships.

All interested applicants are encouraged to contact a potential mentor (scientific staff) at the department as soon as possible. See a [list of faculty members](#) and a [list of research areas](#) here.

The Master Class programme:

- 11 May: Webinar introducing the MSCA-programme and key tools for making a successful application by the AU Research Support Office (RSO). There will also be a short presentation by a previously successful applicant.
- 12 May: Presentation by an experienced MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship evaluator.
- 19 May: Q&A session based on your questions about the materials and the programme.
- Ultimo May: 1:1 individual meetings between the applicant, supervisor and the designated RSO research funding advisor.
- June/July and August: 2 x feedback on proposal drafts from the RSO (fixed time slots, 1 before the summer break, and one after).
- Mid September, 2021: deadline for submission of MSCA Fellowships.

Deadlines for Master Class applications:

- 24 February, 2021: Deadline for supervisors for submitting a Master Class application to the department.
- 9 March 2021: Steering committee meeting, hereafter: Info to departments.

Who are we looking for?

We are looking for ambitious candidates with project ideas within the topics outlined on our departmental website. We expect you to have an excellent research track record (minimum one first author publication or the like depending on area) and be enthusiastic about the research areas at our department. Your written and verbal English must be at an academic level.

Eligibility conditions

MSCA Fellowships are highly flexible in terms of research focus and pay a generous salary for grant recipients over 2 years. The eligibility requirements are:

- Your PhD-age must be maximum 8 years by the call deadline measured from the date that the researcher was in possession of a doctoral degree and certified by appropriate documents. Years outside research and career breaks (e.g. due to parental leave), will not be taken into account.

- Mobility: For European Fellowships you may not have lived in Denmark for longer than 12 months in the past 3 years at the time of application (mid September 2021). You can move to Denmark from other EU countries as well as non-EU countries.
- Only one proposal per individual researcher can be submitted. In case of several proposals involving the same individual researcher, only the last submitted one will be considered eligible.
- If proposals with the same research objectives and workplan are submitted for different researchers, only the first submitted one will be considered eligible.