

# VUMC Women in Science Fund

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

### Purpose

The aim of the VUMC Women in Science fund is to promote the careers of young female scientists by providing grants for work visits to extend their international network.

### Who can apply?

An application may be submitted by early stage **female** researchers/postdocs who:

- hold a PhD degree
- are employed by the **VU University Medical Center**

Female researchers that hold a permanent position at Assistant or Associate professor level are excluded from applying.

### What to apply for

This fund offers the possibility to apply for a travel grant for both short and long work visits with a maximum of 6 months to international research laboratories. International conferences will not be reimbursed by the VUMC women in Science Fund.

With the travel grant, an allowance may be requested for international travel costs and/or local accommodation costs. Direct research costs are not eligible for funding by the VUMC women in Science Fund.

*International travel costs:* The allowance for the international travel costs is based on the costs of an economy class flight return ticket and is limited to 1500 euros.

*Accommodation costs:* The allowance is limited to 500 euros per week with a maximum of 1000 euros per month

Applications from prior grant recipients will not be considered.

### When to apply

Applications for work visits can be submitted on a continuous basis or until the available budget has been used up. Work visits have to be completed before the closing date of 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2022.

## **Selection procedure**

The VUMC Women in Science Fund committee will evaluate the applications for travel grants based on the indicated criteria at a first-come first-serve basis. Applications will be evaluated throughout the year and applicants will be informed about the result of their application within 1 month.

## **Specific conditions**

The grant in euros and is not liable for currency risks due to exchange rate differences.

The researchers will be provided with a budget number to reclaim the costs incurred. The original tickets, boarding passes, accommodation bills and payment receipts need to be provided together with the cost declaration.

A condition is that the visit has taken place within one year after the grant has been awarded.

A work report must be submitted to The VUMC Women in Science Fund within two months after completing the visit.

## **Send your application to**

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