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# **Clinical Visiting Fellowship 2024**

### 1. Extent of the support

#### Selected fellows

- are invited to visit the centre for a duration of min. two weeks in 2024, prolongation (organised with the centre directly) is recommended.
- receive a grant of € 1,250, which will be transferred to the fellow's bank account on the day of arrival in the
  centre (if the arrival falls on a bank holiday or weekend, the grant will be transferred on the following
  working day).
- receive free registration to the subsequent UEG Week after successful completion of the fellowship, the submission of a full report and the completed feedback form.

Participants are not insured by UEG either for medical expenses or for accidents that may occur during travel to and from the centre and their place of residence, or during their stay. It is within the institution's and the fellow's responsibility to fulfil all legal requirements set forth by the laws applicable, in particular with respect to labour law and the obligations against the institutions of the social welfare system. Accommodation, visa, travel arrangements, leave of absence and other kinds of insurances is within the fellow's responsibility. Finally, UEG is not liable for the actions, activities, health or safety of the fellows. Further, UEG does not cover any costs of accommodation, and travel expenses.

### 2. Application criteria

This application is freely available for all myUEG Young GI Associates\*.

Applicants for the fellowship programme must

- be clinicians in the field of digestive health
- be fluent in English
- reside in Europe or the Mediterranean area (countries that are bordering the Mediterranean Sea)
- must be in the last two years of clinical training when the fellowships start (by January 1, 2024). Candidates that have already finished their training are also eligible.

Max. five applicants from the same department are accepted.

Applications that do not adhere to these criteria or late submissions will not be accepted.

\*Main carers of children can apply for an extension of the age limit (2 years per child) to become a Young GI Associate". To do so, please fill out this form and send it to Sophie Gouché.

### 3. Application process

When applying, candidates have to state their previous international fellowships<sup>1</sup> and the names of their preferred host centres (top three priorities from list provided by UEG; the host centres must be different from the home institution and preferably located in a different country).

Applicants have to upload:

- Curriculum vitae (max. 1 page)
  including max. five most relevant peer reviewed publications and specification of language skills.
- Motivation letter (max. 1 page)
  including specification of area of interest, expectations (what specific experience is sought and how this



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would fit into the individual career development), how the acquired information and knowledge will be used in the home institute, what obstacles does the candidate face in their career/current workplace.

Letter of recommendation (max. 1 page)
signed by the head of the department, must include the full contact information of the person
recommending the candidate; the confirmation that the candidate is in training in digestive health; details
on the candidates work experience and a confirmation that leave of absence is allowed

**NOTE:** CV, recommendation letter and motivation letter **must not exceed one page each**; otherwise, the application will be automatically rejected. The three documents must contain all above-mentioned details.

Deadline for application: July 27, 2023

Check out our special tips for a successful application!

#### 4. Selection

Each candidate will be reviewed by the Young Talent Group. The criteria have no absolute delimitations and certainly no legal weight.

Reviewers will rate the following criteria:

Extent and level of education.	0-2 points
Motivation letter: clear and realistic aims (What you want to learn and take back to your home institution).	0-4 points
How the acquired information and knowledge will be used in the home institute.	0-5 points
Overall quality of the application.	0-3 points

Only the most suitable candidates will be preferred, however gender balance and regional balance are considered when making the final selection. Especially the support of candidates from low-income countries (according to the latest Human Development Index², when application opens) will be pursued. Candidates who have participated in fewer fellowship programmes than their competitors are prioritised.

All applicants will be informed about the status of their application by the end of October 2023.

#### Applicant was accepted for the Clinical Visiting Fellowship?

Applications of selected candidates will be sent to the preferred host centres and candidates will be informed about the final host centre as soon as possible.

### Applicant was denied for the Clinical Visiting Fellowship?

Upon request, host centres might also receive applications from unsuccessful applicants to facilitate an exchange independent of the UEG Clinical Visiting Fellowship.

### 5. Reporting

Successful candidates will be required to submit the following reporting documents within one month after their visit:

Written report
 (½ A4 page, template will be provided)



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Completed feedback form

Once these documents are fully submitted, the candidates will receive free registration for the subsequent UEG Week.

Fellows are strongly (not mandatory) encouraged to

- Participate in UEG Week and act as testimonials (e.g. meet interested young clinicians at UEG Week and give recommendations)
- Write an article for the Young GI Angle or other UEG publications
- Post on the UEG Facebook page during the fellowship
- Submit an abstract to UEG Week
- Participate in UEG's educational and career development programmes
- Apply to the <u>UEG Talent Pool</u>