

PhD4MDs

Collaborative PhD training
programme



Objectives

- To foster collaborations between the 4 participating institutes (basic – translational oriented research)
- To provide scientific training to medical professionals (after the specialization) and prepare them for a career as a physician-scientists

Programme

PhD4MDs will work on **collaborative projects** between a “basic” research group (IRB/CRG) and a “translational/clinical” group (VHIR/IDIBAPS)

- One co-director from each institution required
- 4 PhD4MDs contracts available in the call 2015:
 - 3 year duration (3 ½ years to deposit the thesis)
 - Competitive salaries
 - Option to do shifts in the clinics (up to 72 hours per month upon approval of the co-directors)

Timeline



Selection committee: The successful applications and candidates will be assessed by a panel of mixed assessment CRG-IRB-IDIBAPS-VHIR with 2 representatives from each of the four institutions.

Incorporation of the candidates: no later than 31 October 2015

Annual evaluation of the progression of the selected candidates

1. Pre-call for projects

- Internal call
- Collaborative projects bridging basic/translational research: VHIR-CRG, VHIR-IRB, IDIBAPS-CRG, IDIBAPS-IRB
- Submission:
 - CV IP/co-IP
 - Proposal(4,500 characters)
- Evaluation criteria: Co-direction and collaboration: Suitability of the investigator of research groups proposed collaborative curriculum.
 - Scientific quality
 - Translational aspects (disease-oriented project)
 - Clear objectives to reach in 3 years

2. Call for applicants

- National call
- Eligibility:
 - MD
 - FSE (Formación Sanitaria Especializada –MIR-) finished at the incorporation and not before 2 years the date of the publication of the call
- Evaluation criteria:
 - Suitability of the candidate for the proposed project
 - Curricular merits: projects, publications, conferences and other merits.

3. Evaluation

Candidates evaluation process:

- Administrative pre-screening
- The successful applications will be assessed by a panel of mixed assessment CRG-IRB-IDIBAPS-VHIR with 2 representatives from each of the four institutions
- Selection for interviews on 2nd week of June.
- Final selection