Research Fellowship

With its research fellowship, the Walter and Gertrud Siegenthaler Foundation enables young scientists who are employed by the University of Zurich, the University Hospital Zurich, the University Children's Hospital Zurich, the Balgrist University Hospital or the Psychiatric University Hospital to spend a research period at another institution in Switzerland or abroad. The research fellowship is intended to broaden and deepen the applicant's previous knowledge and to have a lasting impact on future scientific work.

The funding period is one to two years and the grant is CHF 60,000 per year. In the case of a two-year grant, the research fellowship is paid in two installments of CHF 60,000 each. In the case of a stay abroad, an additional request can be made for a maximum of CHF 2,500 per year for travel expenses. The scholarship is awarded at the Dies academicus of the University of Zurich.

An application for the research fellowship is only possible if all of the following requirements are met:

- Applicants must have a completed medical education (MD, MD-PhD or PhD from the Doctoral Program Clinical Science of the Medical Faculty of the University of Zurich).
- At the time of application, employment must be at the University of Zurich, University Hospital Zurich, University Children's Hospital Zurich, Balgrist University Hospital or Zurich University Psychiatric Hospital.
- The research fellowship itself should not be conducted at any of the above institutions.
- Applicants must have a record of clinical activity and a record of scientific achievement.
- Mentoring at the home institution should be given to ensure continued career support after the research fellowship.

Evaluation Criteria:
Provided the above requirements are met, applications may be submitted for review. The following evaluation criteria will be applied:

- Previous scientific achievements (accomplishments and their scientific quality) of the applicant.
- Originality and relevance of the research project (scientific importance and topicality, as well as approach and feasibility of the project, suitability of the research institution).
- Career and prospective career planning of the applicant (the applicant's career to date and the objective of the individual's career goal will be assessed).
- Previous clinical activity in Switzerland and abroad (subject-related clinical education and training or activity).

Deadline for submission: December 1 of the current year.

Please fill out the Application Form for the Research Fellowship (Application Form Research Fellowship) completely and send it with the documents requested therein by e-mail in a single PDF to:
PD Dr. Ulrike Weber
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The original application form for the research fellowship (Application Form Research Fellowship, without further documents) must also be sent to the following address:

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Moussonstrasse 15
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If you have any questions regarding your application, please do not hesitate to contact PD Dr. Ulrike Weber.