

The Nordic Research Committee awards: Clinical Reseach Fellowship Program at Steno Diabetes Center

The Novo Nordisk Foundation's Nordic Research Committee (NFK) invites promising clinical researchers from the Nordic countries to carry out a 5-year Clinical Research Fellowship Program at the acclaimed Steno Diabetes Center (SDC), Copenhagen, Denmark. With this program, clinical researchers early in their career will have the opportunity to develop their own line of research at SDC, within the areas of focus of the SDC and its clinic

Up to four researchers will be selected in the spring of 2014. Each will be awarded up to DKK 7.5 million, which includes a yearly budget of DKK 1.5 million for five years, for salary and running costs of the project. Importantly, at the conclusion of the 5-year Clinical Research Fellowship Program, Fellows will have the potential to become an integrated part of SDC's faculty. Read more on the homepage of SDC: https://steno.dk/da/pages/omsteno/job/fellowship_pro

Objectives - The SDC is a non-profit internationally recognized organization supported by Novo Nordisk A/S, the Novo Nordisk Foundation, and the Danish health care system. The vision of SDC is to become a world leader in diabetes care and translational research, with a focus on early stages of disease and on prevention of complications.

With the Clinical Research Fellowship Program, NFK seeks to attract, retain and encourage excellent researchers in the Nordic countries, to contribute to strengthening the research environment at SDC, and to combating diabetes and its related complications worldwide.

Eligibility - The successful applicant:

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- has a relevant academic background,
- has obtained a PhD degree or similar qualifications, within the last 8 years,
- has postdoctoral and/or clinical experience,
- has a proven track record of excellent, original contributions to the field of diabetes research,
- is motivated by the prospect of a long-term career opportunity at the SDC, and
- will play a central role in contributing to a dynamic and thriving research environment at SDC in the years to come.

Funding - Funding can be requested for:

- Salary for the applicant, including pension, at senior postdoctoral level.
- Salary for other research staff.
- Running costs of the research, including consumables, services, minor equipment, publication costs, conferences and traveling related to the research.
- Relocation costs for applicants not residing in Denmark.

Process and selection - All applications will initially be assessed based on a written proposal, and up to 6 candidates will then be selected for interview and presentation of their project, whereafter NFK will make the final decision.

NFK's selection of successful candidates will primarily be decided based on:

- The experience and potential of the applicant.
- The quality, originality and possible impact of the proposed research project.
- The approach to answering the problems presented in the project.
- The appropriateness of carrying out this research at the Steno Diabetes Center.
- Interview and presentation of the project.

In case of successful evaluation, the grant will be administered by SDC on behalf of the recipient, and the fellowship should be initiated at the SDC, latest on March 1, 2015.

Application - The Novo Nordisk Foundation's internet application system must be used for the entire application process and applicants are strongly advised to carefully read the "Information and Guidelines for Applicants" before initiating the application process. All applications must be written in English.

Application deadline: February 10, 2014.

Presentation and interview: March 17-18, 2014.

Notification of decision: End March, 2014.

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