



## Expression of Interest: Early Career Fellowships

### **Expression of Interest for Early Career Researcher Fellowships to be hosted in the Department of Chemistry, University of Oxford**

Independent Research Fellowships are an excellent way to support researchers as they develop from the post-doctoral stage of their career towards being established researchers.

Funding for the most prestigious fellowships is very competitive. In order to ensure that the fullest support is given to candidates that Oxford Chemistry is committed to hosting, the candidates are expected to undergo a preliminary selection process. Potential candidates are invited to submit an Expression of Interest (Eoi) to the Oxford Chemistry Management Board (CMB).

If you would like to apply for an independent research fellowship to be hosted in Oxford Chemistry please submit your documents as detailed below to the Head of Department's office ([execasstchem@chem.ox.ac.uk](mailto:execasstchem@chem.ox.ac.uk)) by the relevant deadline.

Applicants may be invited to an interview in the Department or remotely. The process usually takes about 4 weeks but may take longer where an interview needs to be arranged.

Eoi Deadlines:

**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021**

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022**

### **Expression of Interest: information required**

- Research proposal – 2 pages max. Anything beyond 2 pages will not be reviewed.
- CV
- Application Form (which can be found on the [website](#)) including the following information:
  - Sponsor / Awarding body and Fellowship scheme(s) you wish to apply to
  - Explanation of how your research proposal fits the stated research themes and strategic objectives of the sponsor and with those of the Department of Chemistry, Oxford.
  - Details of your future career plans
  - Equipment you intend to request on your application.
  - Brief outline of your laboratory space and facilities access requirements
  - Other staff to be requested in the application
- Please also ensure that brief supporting statements from two referees are submitted directly to the Head of Department's office ([execasstchem@chem.ox.ac.uk](mailto:execasstchem@chem.ox.ac.uk)).

Please email all of the documents to Sue Henderson at [execasstchem@chem.ox.ac.uk](mailto:execasstchem@chem.ox.ac.uk) and cc Katherine Rooke ([katherine.rooke@chem.ox.ac.uk](mailto:katherine.rooke@chem.ox.ac.uk))



When assessing your application for departmental support, CMB will take into account:

- Your track record.
- The research that you propose to carry out and how that fits with departmental strategy.
- Access to required equipment and space.
- Your career stage and why you would benefit from a Fellowship now.

Offers of Departmental support will be valid for 12 months from the date of confirmation by the Head of Department. Please note that individuals may not apply for these fellowships without prior support from the Department.

Once Departmental support has been confirmed, applicants will need to discuss the process for getting their budget calculated and signed off within Oxford Chemistry and should be aware of the Oxford Research Services submission deadline which is always 5 days prior to the deadline of the external sponsor.

Please contact Katherine Rooke, Chemistry Research Facilitator ([katherine.rooke@chem.ox.ac.uk](mailto:katherine.rooke@chem.ox.ac.uk)) for advice.