GEICO FELLOWSHIP TO BROADEN KNOWLEDGE ON THE FIELD OF GYNECOLOGIC CANCER (JAN VERMORKEN FELLOWSHIP)

Open Call for participation 2018-2019

Fellowship objectives and endowment

Objective and value of the grant

GEICO (Spanish Group for investigation on Ovarian Cancer), consistent with its commitment to share knowledge and promote gynaecological cancer research, announces the 9th Jan Vermorken Research Grant for Research in Gynaecological Cancer.

The PURPOSE of this fellowship is to complete the academic training of young medical oncologists, or related specialties (Gynecological Oncology, Molecular Biology, Pathology) through a stay in a prestigious center, closely tied to the applicant’s research project. Once completed, it will allow these young doctors to incorporate their acquired knowledge to their own practice as well as their workplace and the GEICO Group.

It will be a four to six-month fellowship and the candidate will be able to chose one of the collaborating GEICO centers (local or foreign), with proven experience in Gynaecological Cancer treatment and Research.

Endowment given will be established based on location and length of stay, the maximum amount being 15.000 Euros.

CANDIDACY REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must:

Be contractually linked to a center with medical oncology, gynecological oncology or molecular biology department, at the time of application.
The title of Specialist or a certificate confirming that the applicant is taking the last course in the specialty must be submitted. Doctoral thesis for Molecular Biologists applicants.

An official letter of acceptance from the host center must be submitted.

Host-center language fluency.

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION AND TERMS

A. Deadline and presentation of applications:

The submission period will begin on November 20th and will end on January 18th 2019.

The applications shall be submitted electronically by the researcher in ENGLISH within the aforementioned dates to the following email address:

secretaria@grupogeico.org

Application to candidacy must include:

1.- Application letter indicating:

Name, mailing address and e-mail address of the applicant. Photocopy of DNI/Passport.

Project proposal and Technical report (maximum 8 pages).

Brief justification regarding why the center was chosen to carry out the training placement and work plan during the stay.

2.- Updated Curriculum Vitae as well as most outstanding professional merits.

The curriculum can be a maximum of 8 pages and should include the candidate’s publications over the last 3 years.

3.- Document issued by the Chief of Service or Medical Director of the Oncology Area to which he/she belongs, explaining the center’s interest in this particular area of training and certifying that the researcher has an employment contract, collaboration contract or grant in with this center/service.

4.- Document or acceptance letter issued by the Head of Service of host center/service where the applicant intends to carry out their training.
B. Additional requirements:

In addition to the previously outlined terms, all applicants agree to:

1.- Prepare and send (to the address above) a report about their training within the two months following their stay. The person responsible in the health center must review and sign the report.

2.- A presentation of this report should be done for the members of the Oncology Service to which the researcher is ascribed, as well as to the Continuing Education Office of GEICO within 3 months following the training.

3.- GEICO collaboration through this grant should be mentioned in any and all presentations, publications and reports related to the research pertaining to this training.

JURY AND AWARDS

Jury:

Fellowship awards will be decided by a jury consisting of:

Jury Chairpersons:

President of the GEICO Group and

Dr. Andrés Poveda (Mentor and benefactor of the Jan B Vermorken fellowship)

GEICO Executive committee members

GEICO Continuing Education Coordinator

Professor Jan B Vermorken, whenever available

Adjudication Considerations:

1.- Jury members may not present candidacy for the above fellowship.

2.- Jury members will refrain from voting in the event that a candidacy is from their own service.

3.- In the absence of any jury member, the President, on behalf of GEICO and in accordance of the collaborating entity, if applicable, may provisionally cover vacancies that arise by another renown specialist in Oncology.
4.- The decisions of the jury are final and the fellowship could be declared “void” should the members of the jury consider that the projects do not meet the appropriate level.

5.- The verdict of the jury shall be announced on February 12, 2018 and all applicants will be informed about the award decision. Furthermore a press release will be sent to different media reporting the fellowship award.

6.- The ceremony awarding the fellowship will take place at the time, date and place that will be opportunely communicated and taking place during odd-numbered year with the International Symposium on Advanced Ovarian Cancer, en Valencia.