



Writing Successful EMBO Fellowship Applications

Brief course description

For many early career researchers, writing a fellowship application will be their first experience with the highly competitive scientific funding system. **Fellowsherpa** offers a comprehensive course to guide students and early postdoctoral scholars through the fellowship application process to enhance their chances of success. The three-day interactive course familiarizes participants with the EMBO Postdoctoral Fellowship application process, discussing not only the details of this programme, but general concepts applicable to any fellowship application process. *Writing Successful EMBO fellowship applications* covers the entire experience of advancing your career to the next step, from choosing your destination postdoc laboratory, to understanding the scope and eligibility rules of EMBO, the selection criteria and the application steps. The course includes writing workshops to ensure that participants introduce themselves and their scientific ideas clearly and convincingly. The course will also briefly cover the application and selection process of EMBO Scientific Exchange Grants. This is a highly practical online course, with multiple exercises before, during and after the classroom hours.

Instructors

Thiago Carvalho received his Ph.D. at the Gulbenkian Institute of Science (Lisbon, Portugal) in 2003 and postdoctoral training at the University of Alabama, Birmingham, both in immunology. Dr. Carvalho was Head of Graduate Programs for the Gulbenkian Institute of Science, Graduate Studies Coordinator for the Champalimaud Foundation, and senior scientific editor of the *Journal of Experimental Medicine*. Thiago wrote a regular column on drug development for *Nature Medicine* and produced the *EMBO Podcast*. He is currently a visiting professor at the Center for Cancer Immunotherapy and Immunobiology (Kyoto University).

David del Álamo received his PhD in developmental biology at the Severo Ochoa Center for Molecular Biology in Madrid and postdoctoral training at the Mount Sinai Hospital in New York and the Pasteur Institute in Paris. Dr. del Alamo was scientific editor for *The EMBO Journal* and *EMBO reports*, managing/reviewing editor of *Review Commons*, and the head of the EMBO Fellowship Programme. He has collaborated as a freelance editor with *Life Science Alliance* and still collaborates with the *Journal of Cell Biology* and the *Journal of Experimental Medicine*. David obtained a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree in 2017.