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*Associazione “Giovanna Tosi” per la lotta contro i Tumori*

 “YOUNG RESEARCHERS MOBILITY PROGRAMME”

 CALL 2025

The “*Associazione Giovanna Tosi per la lotta contro i Tumori*” Young Researchers Mobility Programme 2024 aims to support cancer research by facilitating young researchers training, competence acquisition and development, dissemination activities and knowledge transfer in the field of experimental and translational cancer research, specifically in the areas of pathogen-associated cancer and mechanisms of cancer immunity.

**Applications can be submitted from 05 may 2025 to 30 september 2025** (05:00pm Central European Time). Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

In the present call, the “*Associazione Giovanna Tosi per la lotta contro I Tumori*” will support 1 mobility grant.

**Eligibility**

The “*Associazione Giovanna Tosi per la lotta contro I Tumori*” Young Researchers Mobility Programme is open to PhD students, postdoctoral fellows or Medical Doctor fellows.

Applicants, of any nationality, must be 35 years old or younger at the time of the application deadline.
PhD students must be enrolled in a PhD Programme and implementing their PhD thesis in an Italian public or private institute.
Postdoctoral or MD fellows must be working in an Italian public or private institute.

Both intra-country and inter-country mobilities are allowed.

The project to be implemented during the mobility should be related to one or more priority aspects identified by the Scientific Committee of the “*Associazione Giovanna Tosi per la lotta contro I Tumori*”

Priority aspects:

* Human oncogenic viruses
* Immune response against tumors
* Microbiome and cancer
* New vaccine strategies against pathogens and tumors
* Pre-clinical research

The implementation of the project should be justified by the candidate’s needs to:

* develop an experimental part of a research project
* use facilities/instruments not available at the home institute
* acquire a new technique/skills development
* develop clinical research activities as part of a research project
* develop a translational research activity as part of a research project

**Rules for mobility**

* The mobility period must range from a minimum of one months to a maximum of three months.
* Mobility should begin within five months after the deadline.
* Within one week from arrival, the hosting institute must confirm the Applicant’s arrival and the duration of his/her stay, by email to *associazionegiovannatosi@gmail.com*
* On the last day of mobility, the hosting institute must confirm the Applicant’s departure by email to *associazionegiovannatosi@gmail.com*
* Within fifteen calendar days from the end of his/her visit, the Applicant must send a duly completed Mobility Report by email to *associazionegiovannatosi@gmail.com**.* The Mobility Report template can be downloaded from: [***Mobility Report template***](http://www.fondazioneberlucchi.com/bandi/2017/docs/Report%20Template_MobilityProgramme.docx).

The successful Applicant will receive from the “*Associazione Giovanna Tosi per la lotta contro I Tumori*” a prepayment equivalent to 60% of the mobility grant, not earlier than a month before the mobility starting date, upon signature of the *“*[***Self Declaration of Acceptance***](http://www.fondazioneberlucchi.com/bandi/2017/docs/Self%20Declaration%20of%20Acceptance.pdf)*”*. The balance payment of the mobility grant will be made after the Technical Scientific Committee of the “*Associazione Giovanna Tosi per la lotta contro i Tumori*” has approved the Mobility Report. If the Mobility Report is not provided or approved, the Applicant will not receive the remaining 40% of the award.

**Funding rules**
During the mobility period, the successful Applicant will continue to receive his/her fellowship/grant/salary from the hosting institute, i.e. the “*Associazione Giovanna Tosi per la lotta contro i Tumori*” does not cover any fellowship or salary or part of it.

The “*Associazione Giovanna Tosi per la lotta contro i Tumori*” mobility grant supports travel costs and living allowance. The maximum total grant allowed is 3.500 euro and can be used to cover normal living and incidental expenses (travel to the Hosting Organization and return to the Sending Organization, daily travel to and from work, food, etc).

*Costs not covered by the Mobility Grant*
- Costs pertaining to administrative procedures, such as passports and visas, medical coverage, insurance of any kind, bank charges and family travel are at the expense of the successful Applicant. Successful Applicants will not be entitled to any tax exemptions on the grant received. Laboratory costs and bench fees are not granted. These costs are covered by the hosting institute.

**Application procedure**
Applicants should submit their Application by email to associazionegiovannatosi@gmail.com before the deadline.

In order to be considered eligible, applications must be composed of:

* [*Application Form*](http://www.fondazioneberlucchi.com/bandi/2017/docs/Application%20Form_MobilityProgramme.docx), duly completed in all its parts;
* *Applicant’s CV,* preferably in Europass format;
* [*Home institute’s endorsement letter*](http://www.fondazioneberlucchi.com/bandi/2017/docs/SendingOrgEndorsement_MobilityProgramme.docx), signed by both the home scientific supervisor and chief administrator, attesting that the applicant is employed/registered by the home institute during the mobility period;
* [*Hosting institute’s acceptance letter*](http://www.fondazioneberlucchi.com/bandi/2017/docs/HostingOrgAcceptance_MobilityProgramme.docx) signed by both the scientific supervisor and the legal representative or chief administrator, indicating the hosting institute’s willingness to accept the Applicant, and to cover the eventual laboratory costs and bench fees

**Evaluation procedure**

Applications will be subjected to an administrative eligibility check. They will then be evaluated by the Technical Scientific Committee of the “*Associazione Giovanna Tosi per la lotta contro i Tumori*”,
Applications will be selected according to the rules established by the Technical Scientific Committee.

**Contact**
If you have any queries regarding the call or the application process, please contact the “*Associazione Giovanna Tosi per la lotta contro i Tumori”* at associazionegiovannatosi@gmail.com. In your email indicate also a phone number, where you can be contacted during working hours.