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Six Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellows are coming to the University of Bern

The University of Bern is welcoming six Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellows this year. The "Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships", awarded annually by the European Commission, give experienced researchers the opportunity to enrich their scientific careers with a stay abroad.

Every year, the European Commission offers experienced researchers the opportunity to advance their career by spending two years researching at a university in another European country. It awards "Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships" to postdoctoral researchers for this purpose. The fellowships are funded by the European Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, Horizon 2020.

The aim of the funding programme is to support the career development of experienced researchers by enabling them to carry out an individual research project abroad to expand their skills. The researchers look for a supervisor in their field at a European university who can offer them an excellent environment for further education. In 2020, the University of Bern is welcoming six fellows and supporting them in taking the next step in their careers.

Focus on natural sciences and medicine

The six researchers coming to the University of Bern with a Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellowship are addressing topics from the natural sciences and medicine in their research projects. "The range of research fields is broad," says Daniel Candinas, Vice-Rector for Research at the University of Bern. "We are delighted that our excellence in several areas is recognized throughout Europe and attracts experienced researchers."

The funded projects range from pest control and climate change, non-coding RNA for breast cancer and the "dark matter of the genome" to teamwork in the emergency room. The supervisors supporting the fellows are professors from the Institute of Plant Sciences, the Institute of Cell Biology, the Geographical Institute, the Department of Emergency Medicine and the Department for BioMedical Research (DBMR).

Detailed project descriptions and pictures of the fellows are attached.

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