



**DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY**  
Ministry of Science & Technology



## **INDO-U.S. GENOME ENGINEERING/EDITING TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVE (GETin) PROGRAM**

### **Visiting Fellowship Guidelines**

#### **PROGRAM:**

Acknowledging importance of strategies & techniques in genome modification, as modern day essential tools for research & development, the Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Govt. of India along with the Indo-U.S. Science & Technology Forum (IUSSTF) announces fellowship program between Indian institutes and premier U.S. Universities, in significant areas of Genome Engineering/Editing Technology (GETin).

**The program is open to individuals whose research work has an interface with Genome Engineering/Editing Technology studies**

#### **PROGRAM OBJECTIVE:**

1. Program aims at inviting skilled researchers (US Faculty/Foreign Post Docs presently working in US for at least two years) to India, who is working overseas in the cutting-edge area of Genome Engineering/Editing Technologies.
2. Program would provide the applicant avenues to pursue their R&D interests in Indian institutions / and to mentor Indian scientist(s) in their projects.
3. Promote research and capacity building in the frontline area of Genome Engineering/Editing Technology;
4. Pave way for the next generation scientists and technologists from India to interact with American peers, thus helping to build long-term R&D linkages and collaborations.

#### **MODULE:**

- A. Indo-U.S. Genome Engineering/Editing Technology (*Getin*) Visiting Fellowship Program

#### **WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY:**

1. U.S. Faculty or Foreign Post Docs presently working in US (for at least two years), in a field having an interface with Genome Engineering/Editing Technologies.
2. Applicant should possess Ph.D., M.D, M.S or equivalent degree with outstanding track record as evident though publications and other recognitions.

3. Only candidates working overseas for at least two years are eligible to apply.
4. Age: Up to 60 years as on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017

#### **DURATION AND NUMBER OF FELLOWSHIP**

1. The duration of fellowship will include work at India Universities for a period of 2 to 3 months.
2. Upto 5 Visiting Fellows will be awarded every year.

#### **NATURE OF SUPPORT:**

1. Monthly remuneration of Rs. 1,50,000 per month.
2. Return Air Fare
3. Grant of Rs 5, 00,000/- would be provided to the host institute in India to support the research during stay period.
4. Health insurance of upto Rs. 65,000/- during the entire stay.
5. One time contingency grant of Rs. 65,000/-.

#### **WHERE WILL AWARDEES WORK:**

1. The candidate should himself/herself correspond with their proposed host institute in India for placement/visit.
2. Any Indian Institute can also identify any such skilled research in this field, so that his/her expertise can be benefited and the institute can assist the overseas researcher to apply accordingly.
3. Candidate is required to produce a letter of acceptance/ Certificate from the Indian Institute along with merits/uniqueness of that host institute in the proposed area of research.
4. There should be willingness in the part of the Indian institute to accept and extend necessary support to the candidate for the work proposed during the stay period.

#### **HOW TO APPLY:**

Applications should be submitted using our Online Application Portal by **31<sup>th</sup> August 2017** along with the following documents:

- Acceptance letter/ Certificate from host institute in the United States.
- Two recommendation letters from Referees.
- No-Objection Certificate as per the format indicated

(Hard copies and electronic copies of the application forms will not be accepted)

#### **FOR PROGRAM INFORMATION / CLARIFICATIONS CONTACT:**

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