



LifeArc Sponsored Daphne Jackson Fellowship

Applications are invited for a three-year Daphne Jackson Fellowship sponsored by LifeArc in honour of Aisling Burnand CBE, 1964-2022. This Fellowship is available to talented professionals wishing to return to research with specialisms in motor neuron disease or chronic respiratory infection, or related areas of these two LifeArc Translational Challenges.

Ideally the Fellowship may be held at LifeArc's scientific research facilities in Stevenage or Edinburgh. An academic centre partnering on the Translational Challenges of motor neuron disease or chronic respiratory infection would be considered.

Please contact the Daphne Jackson Trust or Andy Merritt at LifeArc for further information.

LifeArc is a self-funded medical research charity. Their mission is to advance translation of early science into health care treatments or diagnostics that can be fully developed and made available to patients. LifeArc have been doing this for more than 25 years and their work has resulted in a diagnostic for antibiotic resistance and four licensed medicines. Their success allows them to explore new approaches to stimulate and fund translation. LifeArc have their own drug discovery and diagnostics development facilities, supported by experts in technology transfer and intellectual property who also provide services to other organisations. LifeArc's model is built on collaboration, and they partner with a broad range of groups including medical research charities, research organisations, industry and academic scientists.

LifeArc have several different funding mechanisms to invest in promising innovations to ultimately benefit patients, including a Ventures team who invest in Seed and Series A stage companies with potential for significant follow-on investment and a Philanthropic Fund that provides grants to support translating rare diseases research.

Daphne Jackson Fellowships

The Daphne Jackson Trust is dedicated to returning researchers following a career break for a family, caring or health reason.

Daphne Jackson Fellowships are unique - they offer professionals wishing to return to a research career after a break of two or more years, the opportunity to balance an individually tailored retraining programme with a challenging research project in a suitably supportive environment. The unparalleled support offered by the Trust's Fellowship Advisors and administrative staff, coupled with mentoring and retraining provided during the Fellowship, give returners the confidence and skills they need to successfully return to research.

For more information about LifeArc please visit [Our strategy - LifeArc](#).

For further details about the eligibility criteria and application process, please visit www.daphnejackson.org. For further information before submitting an application please contact the Daphne Jackson Trust via email at djmft@surrey.ac.uk.

For information specifically about this sponsored Fellowship opportunity please contact Dr Andy Merritt, Head of Academic Engagement at Life Arc andy.merritt@lifearc.org

How to apply

To be considered for this opportunity, please complete the CV, personal details and personal statement forms on the Daphne Jackson Trust website: [Apply here](#)

Please outline your area of research interest and, if you have identified a department within which you would like to work, include the name and contact details of a potential supervisor in that department.

Email your submission to the Daphne Jackson Trust office at djmft@surrey.ac.uk stating clearly, LifeArc Daphne Jackson Fellowship Application.

Closing date for applications is Monday 1st May 2023

Following shortlisting by the Daphne Jackson Trust LifeArc will undertake an internal selection process to identify the preferred candidate.