



MD Clinical Researcher (G4) at the Parkinson's & Other Neurodegenerative Movement Disorders group.

Code: FU-293/2025

About the institution

The Barcelona Clinical Research Foundation-August Pi i Sunyer Biomedical Research Institute (IDIBAPS) is a biomedical research centre of excellence, located on the Barcelona Clinic Campus and with a clear international focus.

The IDIBAPS research community includes over 2,000 professionals and a hundred multidisciplinary groups that carry out high-impact translational research aimed at addressing biological and clinical questions relevant to human health, as evidenced by the more than 1,500 original articles published each year that make the institution one of the main biomedical research centres in Spain.

The Clínic Campus offers a high-level research and innovation environment, which includes the Hospital Clínic of Barcelona, a referral hospital committed to care, research and teaching, which covers practically all medical and surgical specialties, plus the University of Barcelona's Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences. The latter dates from 1843 and is today one of the most prestigious health sciences faculties in Spain and worldwide.

Since 2015, IDIBAPS has had [HR Excellence in Research](#) accreditation from the European Commission. It is a CERCA centre and is accredited as a Health Research Institute by the Carlos III Health Institute (ISCIII).

Most relevant IDIBAPS figures

~100

Research groups

+2,000/year

Publications
+1,400 original articles

+2,000

People devoted to research

~80,000,000€/year

Implemented funds

~300/year

New competitive projects

+1,000

Active competitive projects

~90

Patent portfolio

~100/year

Doctoral theses

~50/year

Seminars

Job description

The MJFF LRRK2 Investigative Therapeutics Exchange (LITE) initiative, funded by The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research (MJFF), is a major new initiative to rapidly expedite the development of therapeutic strategies targeting the Leucine rich repeat kinase 2 (LRRK2) by bridging basic science advances, translational research and industry-led drug development. The overarching aim of the LITE initiative is to assemble an international expert consortium to identify and address knowledge gaps, unmet needs, and research and therapeutic opportunities for LRRK2-driven Parkinson's Disease (PD).

The LITE study objectives in which the candidate will actively participate include:

- i. Collect relevant biological samples, clinical and other data from a large and diverse cohort of carriers of variants in relevant genes (including but not limited to LRRK2, VPS35, RAB32, GBA) with and without PD, people with idiopathic PD, healthy controls and at-risk individuals.
- ii. Deploy novel organelle enrichment strategies (e.g. tagless LysolIP) and other markers for LRRK2 kinase activation and lysosomal dysfunction and correlate these with markers of pathological α synuclein aggregation in blood and CSF as part of the core analysis.
- iii. Undertake explorative biomarker discovery research using skin biopsies, skin sebum, and breath.
- iv. Perform sophisticated untargeted and targeted mass-spectrometry and other analysis in all available biological specimens and analysis thereof that will be made available to the PD research community.
- v. Establish a clinical trial-ready cohort of patients with LRRK2-driven PD.

Required qualifications

- Degree in medicine.
- Neurologist.

Experience and knowledge

- Ideally, MD clinical researcher specialised in Neurology / Movement disorders (Parkinson's disease); previous experience in patient recruitment, Parkinson's diagnosis, motor and cognitive evaluations and scales, imaging assessments (DaT-SPECT, MRI); biosample collection (blood, skin, CSF); genetic counselling; data base management; statistical analysis, data presentation; data reporting, among others.
- English, Catalan, Spanish.

IDIBAPS offers

- **Type of contract:** Indefinite contract for scientific-technical activities.
- **Working hours:** Part time (18,75 hours / week).

- **Line of research:** Parkinson's disease prodromal phase.
- **Project:** LITE: LRRK2 Investigative Therapeutics Exchange.
- **Funder and official project code:** Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson - MJFF_PR_25_01
- **Incorporation into IDIBAPS:** A research centre of excellence in the city of Barcelona. Excellent research results and competitive project grant awards, both national and international.
- Long-life training offered by the institute.
- **Working conditions:** Holiday entitlement of 22 days + 6 days for personal affairs, flexible working hours and flexible remuneration (health insurance, transport, meal vouchers, training).
- **The chance to form part of a dynamic work environment:** We are a team with a wealth of experience that jointly evaluates ideas and strategies and promotes a healthy work-life balance.

Applications

- **Presentation letter:** explicitly mentioning the call reference and explaining the candidate's personal reasons for applying.
- **Curriculum Vitae:** including a list of publications, where applicable.
- **Documentation accrediting** the credentials set out and the required qualifications.
- **Obligatory:** the duly signed Authorisation relating to EU Regulation 2016/679 on the protection of personal data (*attached document, page 5*) must be attached to the application.

Submission and deadline

- Candidates shall submit their applications, indicating the call reference for the position for which they are applying, by email to the address: FCRBRRHH@recerca.clinic.cat
- **Deadline:** From the publication of this call until October 23, 2025.

The employment contract will be in accordance with the provisions of Legislative Decree 1/1995, of 24 March, approving the text of the Workers' Statute Law, of Law 14/2011, of 1 June, on science, technology and innovation in accordance with the provisions of Art. 2 of Royal Decree 2720/98, of 18 December (BOE of 8 January 1999), Law 12/2001, of 9 July (BOE of 10 July) and concordant provisions.

The principle of equal treatment between men and women fundamental, in accordance with Article 14 of the Spanish Constitution, the European Community Directive of 9 February 1976, and the provisions of the Agreement of the Council of Ministers of 4 March 2005, approving the Plan for Gender Equality in the General State Administration.

The universal accessibility of people with disabilities is fundamental according to section 2 of Article 1 of Law 51/2003, of 2 December, on equal opportunities, and 5% of vacancies are reserved as long as candidates pass the selection processes and accredit their disability and

compatibility with the tasks to be carried out, so that we progressively reach 2% of the total workforce.

The gross annual remuneration relating to the position that is the subject of this call will be established based on each candidate's experience and aptitudes.

[Link to Regulation \(EU\) 2016/679 of 27 April on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data](#)

Barcelona, on October 09, 2025.

Authorisation request

I hereby authorise:

The **FUNDACIÓ DE RECERCA CLÍNICA BARCELONA – INSTITUT D'INVESTIGACIONS BIOMÈDIQUES AUGUST PI I SUNYER (IDIBAPS)**, to process my data for personnel recruitment purposes, transferring them only in cases where legally required, in line with the provisions of Regulation (EU) 2016/679, and the corresponding regulations that develop it.

Name and Surname:

DNI/NIE/ID:

Signed:

Barcelona,