



SELECTION PROCEDURE No. 1/2013

**SAPIENZA UNIVERSITY OF ROME
DEPARTMENT OF MEDICO-SURGICAL SCIENCES AND BIOTECHNOLOGIES**

SELECTION PROCEDURE No. 1/2013 FOR 2 TEMPORARY RESEARCH ASSOCIATE POSITIONS
(“Assegno di Ricerca”) Cat. A type II

THE HEAD OF DEPARTMENT

Given Law n. 168, dated May 9th, 1989;

Given art. 22 of Law n. 240, dated December 30th, 2010; Given the University Statute;

Given the rules for assigning temporary research associate positions (“assegni di ricerca”) laid down in D.R. n. 4108, dated November 19th, 2012;

Given D.M. n. 102, dated March 9th, 2011, fixing the amount of € 19.367,00, excluding the costs to be paid by the Administration, as annual minimum gross salary for temporary research associate position, granted according to the Law 240/2010;

Given the decrees of the Academic Senate of 12.04.2011 and the Administrative Council of the University of 19.04.2011;

Given the decrees of the Academic Senate of 25.09.2012 n. 353/2012;

Given the resolution of the Committee of the Faculty of Pharmacology and Medicine, dated 15.11.2012;

Given D.R. n. 4438 dated December 6th, 2012;

ANNOUNCES

Art. 1 – Research Project

There will be **two public selection procedures**, based on qualifications and an interview at the Department of Medico-surgical sciences and biotechnologies – Sapienza University of Rome, for the assignment of:

1 temporary research associate position (“assegno di ricerca”) Category A Type II

Scientific Sector: MED/11 (Cardiovascular diseases)

Principal investigator: Prof. Giuseppe Biondi-Zoccai

Research Project “Boosting cardiac regeneration: breakthrough in left ventricular assist device (VAD) and autologous stem cell combined therapy”

Interview: “State of the art in the use of ventricular assist device (VAD) and cardiac stem cell therapies”

1 temporary research associate position (“assegno di ricerca”) Category A Type II

Scientific Sector: MED/50 (Applied medical sciences)

Principal investigator: Prof. Giacomo Frati

Research Project: “Cell therapy and tissue engineering in cardiovascular diseases”

Interview: “Limbal and mesenchymal stem cells in regenerative medicine”

Art. 2 – Duration/renewal of the temporary research associate position and salary

The contract will be for a period of 1 year and is renewable with the same subject, as stated in art. 22, par. 3 of the

240/2010 Law. The overall period of the contract, including possible renewals, cannot, in any case, be longer than 4 years, according to the art. 22, par. 3 of the 240/2010 Law, excluding periods coincident with the PhD studies, for a period not exceeding the legal duration of the PhD program.

The gross salary is € 19.367,00/year and will be paid in monthly installments. The payments are subjected to the fiscal conditions of art. 4 of Law 476/1984 and subsequent modifications and integrations, and to art. 2 par. 26 of Law 335/1995 and subsequent modifications as far as social security is concerned. Regarding mandatory maternity leave, the conditions of the Ministry of Labor Decree dated 12/07/2007 – G.U. n. 247 of 23/10/2007 - will be applied. Sick leave will be governed by art. 1, par. 788 of Law 296/2006 and subsequent modifications.

The Department guarantees equal rights and opportunities for men and women for the contracts and the protection of personal data privacy according to current legislation.

Art. 3 – General Requirements

Temporary research associate position (“assegno di ricerca”) Category A Type II

Research Project: “Boosting cardiac regeneration: breakthrough in left ventricular assist device (VAD) and autologous stem cell combined therapy”

Eligible candidates must have a Master degree in Medicine and Surgery and PhD degree, or equivalent qualifications, obtained in Italy or abroad.

Specialty in Cardiology or related disciplines, granted in Italy or abroad, will be considered preferential.

Temporary research associate position (“assegno di ricerca”) Category A Type II

Research Project: “Cell therapy and tissue engineering in cardiovascular diseases”

Eligible candidates must have a Master degree in Medical Biotechnology and PhD degrees, or equivalent qualifications, obtained in Italy or abroad.

Non-Italian citizens from UE countries must hold a qualification recognized as equivalent on the basis of international agreements, or as described by art. 332 of the “Testo Unico” dated 31/08/1993, n. 1592. This equivalence should be demonstrated by suitable certification issued by the competent authorities. Alternatively, qualifications obtained abroad that are not considered equivalent, according to the current legislation, will be evaluated by the Committee only for the aims of this selection, should be translated, legally certified and provided with a declaration of value issued by the appropriate Italian diplomatic Authorities and attached to the application, also as photocopies.

Candidates should have these requisites before the deadline for the submission of the application.

Art. 4 – Applications and deadline

Application, on plain paper, should follow the structure of Appendix A, be signed by the applicant, and sent by email to: BandiDSBMC@uniroma1.it within the deadline of 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, following the guidelines given in this document.

Candidates must indicate an e-mail address to which all communications, including the invitation to the interview, will be sent. Any change of the address should be immediately communicated to the Department of Medico-surgical sciences and biotechnologies.

The Administration will not take any responsibility if the candidate is not reachable for late or lost mail due to changes of e-mail address, late or wrong communication of the e-mail address.

Applicants must state, under their own responsibility and liability, the following facts. Failure to do so will result in exclusion from the selection procedure.

- surname and name;
- date and place of birth;
- residence;
- Master Degree: University attended, final grade (score and date);
- to have obtained a PhD degree, University attended and date
- citizenship;
- entitled to political rights;
- a declaration that the candidate does not have any criminal record nor is currently under any criminal prosecution; should there be a criminal record or prosecution, the candidate must report it, together with the date of any sentence passed and the legal authority that passed it;

- not to be the recipient any other fellowship of any sort or that I am prepared to renounce to such grant should I be selected in this procedure; not to be enrolled in any degree course, Mater course, PhD school or specialization school with a fellowship in Italy or abroad, in University post-graduate Masters;
- not to be a member of staff of bodies listed in art.. 22, comma 1, of Law 240/2010;
- not to be a relative of any Professor of the Department of Medico-surgical sciences and biotechnologies (up to 4th degree included) or of the Rector, General Director, or any member of the Administrative Council of the University.
- equivalence of the titles, if obtained abroad / declaration of value of qualifications if not considered equivalent.

The application should include, if this is the case, a declaration of the enrolment in a PhD school without grant and/or of any activity performed as “assegnista di ricerca” (Appendix B), a photocopy of an identification document and everything listed in art. 5 of this document.

Art. 5 – Qualification and CV

In the application, candidates must include the following items in PDF format:

- certificate of their Master Degree with the final grade;
- PhD degree Certificate
- documents and qualification deemed useful for the selection procedure (diplomas of specialization, certificates of attendance to post-graduate, advanced courses in Italy or abroad, grants or research assignments both in Italy and abroad);
- curriculum of the scientific and professional activity dated and duly signed;
- publications, in peer-reviewed journals, related to the topic of the research project.
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In the application it is possible to include, in place of the original qualifications listed above, an authenticated copy of the same or a copy declared to be in conformity with the original by a declaration, in substitution of a notarized act, according to art. 46 and 47 of D.P.R. n. 445, dated 28/12/2000.

With reference to the publications considered relevant for this selection procedure, candidates must include a declaration, in substitution of a notarized act, certifying that the copies conform to the originals, according to art. 47 of D.P.R. n. 445, dated 28/12/2000.

Titles/qualifications written in a foreign language must be presented with an Italian translation that must be certified by the competent Authority as being in conformity with the original text. No such certified translation is required for titles/qualifications written in English.

Foreign citizens resident in Italy can self-certify the above as far as situations, facts, or personal qualities that can be certified or supported by public officials or private Italian citizens are concerned (art. 3 D.P.R. n. 445, dated 28/12/2000).

Foreign citizens who are not resident in Italy cannot use self-certification in any way.

Art.6 – Selection procedure

The Committee will decide how to assign the scores in percent; the scoring system adds up to 100/100, and will take into account, appropriately weighted:

- the degree grade;
- scientific publications;
- diplomas of specialization and certificates of attendance at post-graduate courses according to their relevance to the research to be carried out;
- other activities carried out under contract, study grants or posts within National or International Research Agencies; the dates and periods of service must be certified in details as well as the activity conducted;
- interview.

The results of the assessment of the qualifications will be made known to the candidates prior to the interview. They will be posted on the notice-board and the website of the Department of Medico-surgical sciences and biotechnologies.

Art. 7 – Interview

Each selection procedure includes an interview that will focus on the scientific program, as indicated in art. 1.

The interview will be held March 18, 2013 at 2.00 PM, Room 4, Ground floor, Department of Medico-surgical Sciences and biotechnologies, Corso della Repubblica, 79 Latina.

This notice is equivalent to notification in all respect regarding the candidates and therefore will not be given again in any other communication.

For the interview, candidates need to show a valid Identification document.

During the interview, the Committee will verify the ability of the candidate to deal with the subject of the project.

The interview is public. At the end of each step of the selection process, the Committee will make the results public.

Art. 8 – Committee

The examining Committee will be nominated by the Head of the Department of Medico-surgical Sciences, and Biotechnologies, following the recommendations of the Council of the Department. It will consist of three members: two members are the principal investigators of the research projects indicated in art. 1 and one member is selected from the “Sapienza” Professors or Researchers (also at fixed terms) or Researchers from Research Institutes having an official agreement with the Sapienza University. One of these will act as the Secretary of the Committee.

The decision of the Committee is unquestionable.

Art. 9 – Procedure results

The Committee, in the first meeting, establish the criteria to be used for the evaluation and scoring of the qualifications and of the interview, formally ratifying them in a report.

The final marks are obtained by summing the scores of the qualifications and the interview. The ranking will list the final marks for each candidate in decreasing order.

The Head of the Department approves the results established by the Commission. The results will be publicized on the web sites of the Department of Medico-surgical sciences and biotechnologies and the University and notified to the candidates. If she or he will not accept the position or will resign, the position will be offered to the next ranked candidate.

Candidates who will not declare their acceptance of the contract or will not start their activity within the established deadline will be disqualified. Requests of delaying the beginning of the contract will be accepted only when due to certified health problem, obligatory maternity leave or proven obstacle.

Art. 10 – The Temporary Research Associate Contract

The temporary research associate position - “assegno di ricerca” will take the form of a temporary contract drawn up under civil law. This temporary, fixed-term, contract does not, in any way, represent a permanent contract of dependent work and does not give any right to permanent positions within the University. According to articles 46 and 47 of D.P.R. n. 445, dated 28/12/2000, the winning candidate must produce, within 30 days of being notified of the granted “assegno di ricerca”, a declaration on plain paper, stating:

- a) date and place of birth;
- b) citizenship;
- c) entitled to political rights in his/her country;
- d) freedom from any criminal convictions or current criminal proceeding.

Regarding points b) and c), the declaration must indicate that the candidate had the requisites already at the date of the application deadline for the selection process.

The winning candidate will be required to make a substitutive declaration of a notarized act stating the authenticity of the qualifications presented. In the absence of this substitutive declaration of a notarized act, the winning candidate must present the originals or provide the necessary stamp duty to render the documents acceptable, according to Law n. 370, dated 23/08/1998.

The Administration reserves the right to verify the truth and authenticity of the produced declarations; in case of false declarations, the proceedings laid down in art. 75 and 76 of D.P.R. n. 445, dated 28/12/2000 will be applied.

On the day of enrolment, the Head of the Department indicates to the grantee his/her Scientific Advisor.

The grantee must also comply with the requirements described in the University Regulations issued with D. R. 4108 on 19/11/2012 for awarding temporary research associate positions - “assegni di ricerca”, a copy of which will be provided.

Art. 11 – Rights and duties

The grantee must carry out its activity within the research programs approved by the Department; its duties should be related to research and not be limited to technical support. He/she can collaborate to research activities of students who are working on their Master thesis; can participate to seminars and practices for students and be part of exam committees.

To perform the research activities, the grantee can take advantage of the instrumentations of the Department and of all the services available to researchers according to the current legislature and to the Department rules.

If explicitly authorized by the Scientific Advisor, the grantee will be reimbursed of travel expenses according to the current legislature.

The grantee is required to provide the Department with a written yearly report of its research activity, together with a written evaluation of the activity by the Scientific Advisor.

The research activity can be partially performed in a different University or Research Institution in Italy or abroad, provided this is specifically certified and is coherent with the program and objectives of the assigned research activity; the period abroad must be explicitly authorized by the Department in advance following a motivated request by the Scientific Advisor.

Art. 12 – Incompatibility

The temporary research associate position “assegno di ricerca” cannot be combined with other grants or fellowships intended for similar purposes, with the exception of those assigned by national or foreign Institutes to integrate, during stages abroad, the research activity of the selected candidate.

The grantee cannot enroll in Degree Courses, Master degrees, PhD or specialization courses with fellowships, in Italy or abroad, University post-graduate Masters.

The temporary research associate position “assegno di ricerca” can be granted to Public employees, if they are on unpaid leave during the period of the contract.

The temporary research associate position “assegno di ricerca” is personal. The selected candidate can conduct free-lance work, provided that a written notice is given to the Department in advance: the activity must be recognized by the Department as compatible with the funded research activity, displaying no conflict of interest with the specific research carried out by the selected candidate for the University, and the University reputation should be safeguarded at all times. The Scientific Advisor and the selected candidate must declare that they do not have a professional relationship.

Provided that the funded research activity is guaranteed, and in agreement with the Department, the grantee can take part in research and consultancy work for third parties on behalf of Sapienza University according to art. 66 D.P.R. 382/80, and can be entitled to related gains according to the regulations governing such work.

The grantees who want to work or continuing working in unpaid activities in voluntary associations or non-profit cooperatives or cultural Institutions, can do so, provided that he/she comply with all the research duties.

The activity is suspended in cases of obligatory leave for maternity, parental leave and illness and it can be extended, according to the current legislation. Authorized leave periods shorter than 30 days in a year are not considered suspensions.

Art. 13 – Contract resolution

A procedure for resolution of the contract of a grantee is started when, after initiating his/her activity, he/she does not continue it regularly and without interruptions for the whole period without justified motivation, or who will be responsible of severe failures or defaults. The procedure is initiated following the request of the Scientific Advisor and approved by the Department Council.

Causes for resolution of a contract are:

- failure or unjustified delay in starting the activity;
- unjustified suspensions of the activity for a period that jeopardizes the research program;
- violation of the incompatibility rules as stated in art. 6 of the Regulation, if repeated after a first warning;
- negative evaluation of the Department Council or the Administrative and managerial body of the same Department.

Art. 14 – Making the selection procedure public

This selection procedure will be made public by posting it on the notice board of the Department of Medico-surgical sciences and biotechnologies. as well as on the Department website and on the websites of the University, MIUR and the European Union.

http://w3.uniroma1.it/dsbmc/assegni_ricerca.html

<http://www.uniroma1.it/organizzazione/amministrazione/ripartizionepersonale/concorsi/assegni/>

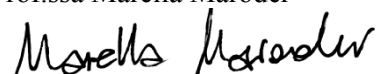
<http://www.miur.it>

<http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/>

What is not explicitly stated in this notification is regulated by current laws.

Latina, February 7, 2013

The Head of Department
Prof.ssa Marella Maroder



APPLICATION TO BE SENT ON PLAIN PAPER BY E-MAIL TO:

**The Head of the
Department of Medico-Surgical sciences and biotechnologies**

E-mail: BandiDSBMC@uniroma1.it

I, the undersigned , born in state on , resident in Street ZIP code asks to take part in the selection procedure, via qualifications and interview, for the temporary research associate position – “Assegno di Ricerca” (n. 1), Research Project: “.....”

Scientific Sector in the Department of Medico-surgical sciences and biotechnologies - Sapienza University of Rome. Selection Procedure No. /2013

To this end, according to articles 46 and 47 of D.P.R. n. 445, dated 28/12/2000, and being fully aware that false declarations are punished under Criminal Law and by specific laws, I declare that I:

- 1) am graduated in (Degree) (final score)..... (Univ)(date).....
- 2) hold a PhD degree in(Univ).....(date).....
- 3) am a citizen of
- 4) entitled to political rights
- 5) have no criminal convictions and am not involved in current criminal proceedings; OR have a criminal conviction forfrom date or being involved in current criminal proceedings
- 6) am not the recipient of any other fellowship of any sort or that I am prepared to renounce to such grants should I be selected in this procedure; am not enrolled in any degree course, Master course, PhD school or specialization school with a fellowship in Italy or abroad, in University post-graduate Masters;
- 7) am not a member of staff of bodies listed in art. 22, comma 1, of Law 240/2010;
- 8) not to be a relative of any Professor of the Department of Medico-surgical sciences and biotechnologies (up to the 4th degree included) or of the Rector, General Director, or any member of the Administrative Council of the University.
- 9) want to receive notifications regarding this selection procedure at the following e-mail address

According to the Law n. 104, dated 5/2/1992, disabled candidates should make a specific request if assistance is needed to take part in the interview.

I, the undersigned, include in this application (in PDF format):

- 1) copy of a valid identification document;
- 2) declaration of the enrolment in a PhD program without fellowship and/or activity as “assegnista di ricerca”, when this is the case (Appendix B);
- 3) certificate of my Master Degree with the grades of each exams;
- 4) certificate of my PhD degree or equivalent
- 5) list of all the documents and scientific qualifications I consider useful for this selection;
- 6) CV of my scientific and professional activity dated and signed
- 7) scientific publications.

In addition, I consent that my personal information can be handled, for the purposes of this procedure according to D.Lgs. n. 196/2003,

Date Signed.....

(Not requiring authenticity certificate, art, 39 of the D.P.R. 28.12.2000 no. 445)

Warning: The Administration will take the right and liberty of verifying truthfulness and authenticity of documents and papers: dispositions of art. 75 and 76 of DPR 28.12.2000, n. 445 will apply in case of deceit.

Foreign citizens with italian residency, in place of original documentation and on their own responsibility may present self-certifications, i.e., declarations relative to personal position, facts and qualities otherwise certifiable by private or public Italian institutions.

Non-resident foreigner citizens cannot make use of self-certifications.

Place and date

(SIGNATURE)

APPENDIX B

SUBSTITUTIVE DECLARATION OF CERTIFICATION (ART. 46 D.P.R. n. 445, DATED 28/12/2000)

I, the undersigned born on in (state) tax code identification, fully aware of the penal sanctions in the case of false declarations and false documents, art. 76 D.P.R. n 445, dated 28/12/2000 and according to art. 22 of Law 240/2010

DECLARE

to be enrolled in the PhD program without fellowship from to (total months/years) by

to have received temporary research associate positions "assegni di ricerca" according to the law 240/2010:

from to (total months/years)

by

from to (total months/years)

by

from to (total months/years)

by

I have never received temporary research associate positions "assegni di ricerca" according to the law 240/2010;

to have been Research Assistant (fixed term) according to art. 24 of the Law 240/2010:

from to (total months/years)

by

from to (total months/years)

by

to have never been Research Assistant (fixed term) according to art. 24 of the Law 240/2010

Indicate absence periods for maternity leave or illness according to the current legislature:

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In addition, I declare to be informed, according to D. Lgs. n. 196/2003 that my personal information will be handled, also via electronic device and transfer, exclusively for the purposes for which this declaration has been made.

Place and date (SIGNATURE)