



# Postdoctoral Researcher/Research Associate EU Research Grant Writer: Development of additional EU funding opportunities within CÚRAM

## Ref. No. 011113

#### JOB ADVERTISEMENT

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for a FULL-TIME Postdoctoral Researcher/Research Associate position as a EU Research Grant Writer with CÚRAM at the University of Galway, Ireland.

This position is funded by Research Ireland and is available from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025 to contract end date of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2026.

CÚRAM is a national research centre, funded by Research Ireland, that brings together researchers from University of Galway, University College Dublin, Dublin City University, University of Limerick, University College Cork, Maynooth University, Trinity College Dublin, Technological University of Shannon, Technological University of Dublin and Royal College of Surgeons Ireland. The prime objective for CÚRAM is to radically improve health outcomes for patients by developing innovative implantable 'smart' medical devices to treat major unmet medical needs. Implants will be designed and manufactured to respond to the body's environment and to deliver therapeutic agents, such as drugs, exactly where needed. Cuttingedge science will develop devices using the very latest research from biomaterials, stem cells and drug delivery and the support of strong clinical collaborations, industry partners and hospital groups to enable rapid translation to the clinic. Website: http://curamdevices.ie

**Salary**: Postdoctoral Researcher salary scale €45,846 - €58,481 per annum, (subject to the project's funding limitations), and pro rata for shorter and/or part-time contracts.

The default position for all new public sector appointments is the 1st point of the salary scale. This may be reviewed, and consideration afforded to appointment at a higher point on the payscale (subject to the project's funding limitations), where evidence of prior years' equivalent experience is accepted in determining placement on the scale above point 1, subject to the maximum of the scale. (Research Salary Scales - University of Galway)

Closing date for receipt of applications is 17:00 (Irish Time) on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025. It will not be possible to consider applications received after the closing date.

Interviews are planned to be held on 14th July 2025

\*Please review full job description for further details and essential requirement

**JOB DESCRIPTION** 





#### **Job Description:**

The successful candidate will work with the CÚRAM's Scientific and Operations Directors along with the CÚRAM research team in developing a funding strategy for securing significant EU, and additional non-exchequer funding.

The post-holder will have responsibility for developing, writing and submitting funding applications for follow-on funding opportunities in CÚRAM, which are pertinent to the Centre's research area. This position will also support the Centre PIs and partner companies in acquisition of further funding. This will include the development of metrics for a number of applications to identified programmes based on the programmes success criteria. The successful candidate will also assist the CÚRAM Operations Team in reporting requirements for CÚRAM.

#### **Duties:**

- Develop, write and submit Enterprise Ireland EU coordination support grants
- Develop, write and submit applications to funding programmes of the European Union
- Provide scientific input into research programmes on-going at CÚRAM.
- Assist in the dissemination of research outputs/activities, including identification of the appropriate pathway for dissemination and providing support for preparation of manuscripts and presentations.
- Develop an effective communication strategy in CÚRAM to ensure that all opportunities are highlighted.
- Management of resources required for delivering on the above tasks working with the CÚRAM Operations team, Potential Industry and Academic Partners, Research Office and National Contact Points for each Horizon Europe work programme.
- Any other duties assigned commensurate to this level of post

### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

#### **Essential Requirements:**

- A PhD qualification in a discipline relevant to CÚRAM's research focus (Candidates who have submitted their thesis and are awaiting viva voce examination will also be considered).
- Evidence of experience in managing and coordinating research funding submissions through national and international agencies
- Demonstrable record of strong project proposal writing experience and successful funding achievements.
- Significant knowledge of the suite of funding schemes in Horizon Europe.
- Accurate attention to detail with ability to working within tight deadlines.
- Excellent organisational, communications and analytical skills are essential.





- Flexibility and ability to work in a team environment are key skills required.
- Availability to travel nationally and internationally as required.
- Desirable Requirements:
- Track record in securing significant funding from European Union funding schemes
- Experience of post-award grant management
- Experience in developing funding strategies

## **CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

#### **Continuing Professional Development/Training:**

Researchers at University of Galway are encouraged to avail of a range of training and development opportunities designed to support their personal career development plans. University of Galway provides continuing professional development supports for all researchers seeking to build their own career pathways either within or beyond academia. Researchers are encouraged to engage with our Researcher Development Centre (RDC) upon commencing employment - see <a href="HERE">HERE</a> for further information.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION/LINKS**

- **TO APPLY:** <u>Search Current University of Galway vacancies</u>. Applications must be submitted online.
  - How to apply guide
- University's Strategic Plan
- Working in Research at University of Galway
- Moving to Ireland (Euraxess)
- Applicant Information
- We reserve the right to re-advertise or extend the closing date for this post.
- University of Galway is an equal opportunities employer.
- All positions are recruited in line with Open, Transparent, Merit (OTM) and Competency based recruitment.





