Terms and practical information

Objective

The aim of the **Mandates for basic & translational oncology research** is to strengthen the research potential of physicians at the specialist & the PhD level, who successfully combine basic or translational oncology research with their clinical activity related to cancer care.

By focusing on permanent staff and supporting university hospitals for up to 10 years, the Mandate aims at long-term effects.

Terms and conditions

- The Mandate has a duration of **5 years** and can be prolonged only once for an additional 5 years; following positive advice from the Scientific Board of the Foundation against Cancer.
- The Mandate is intended for financing **0.5 FTE** dedicated to basic or translational oncology research.
- During the Mandate and within the framework of her/his research project, the candidate is authorized to program a stay abroad for maximum 12 months. The additional cost of the stay however is not financed by the Foundation against Cancer.
- The CEO of the employer AND the Dean of faculty / Vice-rector of the university must guarantee in writing that the recipient has a permanent staff position or will acquire one within a year of signing the Mandate contract. If the candidate breaks her/his contract within the university, this mandate will be automatically terminated.
- The CEO of the employer AND the Dean of faculty / Vice-rector of the university must guarantee in writing that the recipient will benefit from 0.5 FTE of her/his time for her/his basic or translational research.
- The head of the research program must declare her/his support.
- The Mandate is personal.
- You are a medical specialist and have a clinical staff position in a Belgian university hospital, holding a contract of indefinite duration at the date of the Mandate start and for the whole length of the Mandate.
- **You hold a PhD in biomedical sciences at the deadline date of this application.**
- You are younger than **45** years of age at the deadline date of this application.

Selection criteria

The following selection criteria will be taken particularly into account for the selection of candidates:

- Curriculum vitae of the candidate & her/his publications
- Innovation of the project
- Clinical implication of the expected results
- Feasibility of the project
**Financial Coverage of the Mandate**

1. The Mandate covers maximum 50% of the salary of the recipient with a maximum of 60,000 € per year.
2. The Mandate is initially financed for 1 year and automatically prolonged for 2x2 more years if the terms and conditions are fulfilled. Interim evaluation will be conducted at end of year 1 and year 3. Evaluations may include on-site visits.

**Number of mandates available for the year 2018**

As part of the 2018 call, a **maximum of 4 mandates** will be granted.