



After graduate school I stayed in my thesis lab as a postdoc for one year. I have a peer reviewed publication from that postdoc, but not from my current postdoc lab. Am I eligible?

If the publication is from work done during the graduate thesis, then it is not sufficient to count towards eligibility. Peer reviewed publications must be from research conducted after receiving one's doctoral degree. Competitive applicants for this award typically have a first-author publication from their current postdoc lab.

Am I eligible if I have a co-author paper?

Yes, however competitive applicants typically have a first author paper from their current postdoctoral lab.













Recommendation Letters

Is the Mentor Letter of Support confidential?

Yes, the Mentor Letter of Support is confidential. The letter will be submitted on your behalf through the online application. Please see additional instructions in the Guidelines.

What if I am an M.D. and do not have a thesis advisor to write a letter of recommendation?

The thesis advisor's letter of recommendation only pertains to candidates holding the Ph.D. degree. For M.D. applicants, please ask for a letter of recommendation from your Residency Director or someone equivalent who can comment on your training and future potential as an independent researcher.

Is it okay to submit a letter in a language other than English?

No.

Application Guidelines state that one letter should be from a thesis advisor but what if my thesis advisor is no longer available?

Please find someone who can comment on your work during your Ph.D. training. The current mentor should explain in their letter why the reference letter from your thesis advisor is unavailable. Alternatively, the applicant may provide a short letter with a brief explanation.

To whom are the letters of support/recommendation addressed?

Reference letters may be addressed to the Scientific Review Committee.

Who should write my recommendation letters if I have a co-mentor?

Within the application, only three (3) letters of recommendation will be allowed: one from the primary mentor; one from the thesis advisor, residency, or fellowship director; and one



prepares fiscal reports, and oversees other financial requirements of your grant. Please check with your institution to determine who should sign these sections of the Cover Page.

Will the King Trust sponsor my work visa?

No, the King Trust Fellowship Awards are made to your sponsoring institution on your behalf.

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Below is a list of additional resources that applicants are encouraged to explore. The table below is not an exhaustive list of available resources. HRiA does not endorse any of the listed resources.

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