



BECA FAECP-MEDTRONIC

The European Coloproctology Fellowship.

Department of Surgery.

Coloproctology Unit.

University of Valencia. Valencia, Spain

An applied programme in the subspecialty of Coloproctology promoted by the Spanish Society of Coloproctology (FAECP), in collaboration with the Surgical Department of the University of Valencia and the Medical Research Institute La Fe, Valencia.

The clinical activity will take place at the Unit of Coloproctology of the Department of General and Digestive Surgery, Hospital Universitario y Politecnico La Fe (Prof. B. Flor-Lorente) in collaboration with the Coloproctology Unit (Dr. J.V. Roig/Dr. J. García-Armengol), Hospital Vithas Nueve de Octubre, in Valencia, Spain.

1-Objectives

The aim of this programme is to extrapolate the Coloproctology training system already present in other countries (mainly USA) to the European and Spanish medium. The objective is to carry out a training programme in this subspecialty with a logbook of procedures which can be recognised by other accredited centres. The programme will be exportable to other centres and will shortly be approved by the scientific community.

2-Characteristics of the bursary:

- **Income:** ≈32.000€ plus 1000-2000€/month in 3 to 6 on-call plus evening extra surgeries.

- **Organised by:** **Dr. Blas Flor-Lorente**, University Department of Surgery, through the “Instituto de Investigación Sanitaria La Fe”, Valencia.

- **Period:** One year (October 1st 2024-september 30th 2025)

- **Annual call for applicants**

- **Regulations:** The applicant must be a licensed in General and Digestive Surgery. The degrees obtained outside Spain must be officially recognised in Spain at the beginning of the Fellowship.

- **Applications should be accompanied by:**

- + Photocopy of the National Identity Card or Passport (for foreigners)
- + Photocopy of the specialist degree in General and/or Digestive Surgery
- + **Curriculum Vitae according to the attached CV form. (see below)**
- + Letters or reports of reference (maximum of three) from the mentors/tutors, regarding training, credits of the candidates and above all future progress and work prospects in the area of Coloproctology.

-**The successful candidate** will have to comply with Spanish requirements regarding recognition of prior medical training and certification of good standing from their own national medical governing body. The candidate is advised to undertake these administrative responsibilities promptly following notification of acceptance:

- Achieving mutual recognition of academic and surgical professional titles by the Spanish Ministry of Education and Science.

- A “Certificate of Good Standing” (also translated into Spanish by a sworn translator).
- The Fellow will also have to register with the Official Medical Association in Valencia and will be assisted and advised in taking an annual malpractice insurance policy.
- **At the end of the programme**, the candidate will be awarded a certificate by the FAECP (Spanish association of coloproctology).
- **Applications should be presented** in person or sent by email to the address below
NO LATER THAN THE 15th June 2024: flor_bla@gva.es

- **Criteria for the evaluation of merits:**

- + CV according to the attached application form.
- + Introduction letters or reports (maximum of three) from the mentors/ tutors.
- + Possible personal interview
- + The bursary cannot be granted twice to the same person

- **The bursary** will be granted by an evaluation committee board representing the La Fe Hospital, the FAECP and the AEC (Spanish association of surgeons):

President: Dr Blas Flor-Lorente

Vice-president: José Vicente Roig

Dr Juan García-Armengol (AECP Scientific Comitee)

Dr Blas Flor-Lorente (AEC Coloproctology Coordinator)

3- Activities to be carried out by the applicant:

- **Clinical activities** as a specialist doctor tutored by the staff from the unit. The candidate will have a logbook of surgical activities performed.
- **Educational activities:** Participation in the educational activities of the unit: courses and meetings
- **Research:** Incorporation to the research projects.
- **Presentation of abstracts at the:** Reunión Anual de la Asociación Española de Coloproctología. Congreso/Reunión de la Asociación Española de Cirujanos. Annual meetings of the ASCRS or ESCP
- **Participation in scientific publications**

4- Characteristics of the Coloproctology Group:

Background

The activity of the Fellow will be supervised by the Director of the Fellowship, Prof. Blas Flor Lorente.

The clinical activity will take place in the Coloproctology Unit of the Hospital Universitario y Politécnico La Fe in collaboration with the Coloproctology Unit Hospital Nueve de Octubre, Valencia chaired by Dr. JV Roig. Moreover, the fellow will spend a month visiting one of the referral Colorectal Unit in Spain, according to the committee board.

The Coloproctology group has a wide experience in the treatment of patients as can be seen by over 12.000 surgical procedures performed and registered in the Unit's database. It also has prestigious research experience which is reflected in the scientific publications, together with a consolidated tradition in postgraduate training in Coloproctology for General Surgical residents and also for over 220 doctors who have visited the unit to improve their theoretical and practical knowledge in the subspecialty.

- **Human resources:** 8 staff surgeons with complete dedication to Colorectal Surgery, five of them qualified with the **European Board Surgical Qualification in Coloproctology (EBSQ-C)**. **A stoma therapy nurses** with complete dedication in the Coloproctology Unit.

- Clinical activities and resources:

+ **Surgery:** the coloproctology unit performs around 250 colorectal surgical procedures and 250 proctology procedures every year. There are over 10 major operations per week in the Unit.

Intelligent operating room for advanced Colorectal laparoscopic surgical procedures and robotics are available.

+ **Clinics:** two daily clinics with completely equipped offices.

+ **Anorectal ultrasound** performed by the Unit that has studied over 1200 rectal cancers from 1996

+ **Surgical ward** with programmed and emergency admissions

-Available specialities related to the Unit: Gastroenterology, Gastrointestinal motility unit, Endoscopies, Conventional radiology, CT and MRI, Intensive Care, Urology, Gynaecology, Pathology, Oncology, Plastic Surgery.

- Coloproctology Functional Unit:

The Coloproctology unit planned for assistance and research, together with some of the previously mentioned specialities and organize its clinical activity based on the following multidisciplinary groups:

MDT of Colorectal Cancer and Pelvic Exenteration

MDT of Inflammatory Bowel Disease and pelvic floor

- Teaching Activities in the units:

+Annual course in Coloproctology for residents promoted by the Asociación Española de Cirujanos.

+Workshops on rectal cancer surgery (one day's duration) & directed towards specialist surgeons.

+Workshops on complex clinical cases in Inflammatory bowel diseases. (one day's duration) & directed towards specialist surgeons.

- Research activities The papers published in peer-reviewed journals in the last 10 years are reported in the Bibliography section.

CURRICULUM VITAE FORM (to be filled in English or Spanish)

- 1) **General Surgery Training Qualification** (Attach certificate)
Especialización en Cirugía General y Digestiva (especificar Hospital, Servicio, Ciudad, y calificación si la hubiera. Adjuntar pdf)
- 2) **Indexed Publications in PubMed** (title, authors, Journal and impact factor) (Attach pdf for each publication)
Publicaciones indexadas en PubMed detallando título, autores, revista e Impact Factor de la revista. (Adjuntar pdf de cada publicación)
- 3) **Ph.D:** State whether yes or not. (attach pdf or jpg)
Posesión del Título de Doctor (Si/ No) y Calificación. (Acreditar con pdf o jpg)
- 4) **Degree Grades.** (attach certificates, pdf)
Expediente académico con el detalle de las notas de las diferente asignaturas.(Adjuntar acreditación)
- 5) **Postgraduate stay at other Hospital.** Give details of duration of stay in months). (Attach certifications, pdf)
Estancias de Postgraduado en otros Centros. Detallar Centro y Unidad donde se ha realizado la estancia y la duración de la estancia en meses. (Adjuntar acreditación, pdf).
- 6) **Englishs language.** (State level and attach qualification certificate, pdf)
*Declarar si el candidato posee alguna **certificación de su conocimiento del Idioma Inglés** detallando nombre del certificado y año de certificación. (Adjuntar acreditación, pdf)*
- 7) **Masters in surgery or research** (Attach certifications, pdf) (Attach certifications, pdf)
*Detallar los **Master con tema quirúrgico o de metodología de la investigación** realizados por el candidato detallando tema, Universidad. (Adjuntar acreditación, pdf)*
- 8) **Postgraduate courses in surgery over 40 hours.**
Cursos de Postgraduado de más de 40 horas con tema quirúrgico o de metodología de la investigación realizados por el candidato, Organizador del Curso y número de horas. (Adjuntar acreditación, pdf)
- 9) **Oral Presentations at National or International congresses as a first author.** (Attach certifications, pdf)
*Detallar las **comunicaciones orales** (no incluir poster y videos) a Congresos Nacionales o Internacionales de Cirugía en la cual **el candidato figura como 1er autor**. Detallar autores, titulo y congreso. (Adjuntar acreditación, pdf)*
- 10) **Founded Research Projects in Surgery..** State whether main author or collaborator. (Attach certifications, pdf)
*Detallar los **proyectos financiados competitivos** (FIS u otra beca o Entidad) en el cual el Candidato figura como Investigador Colaborador o Principal, detallando el título del proyecto, el ente financiador, cantidad financiada e investigador principal. (Adjuntar acreditación)*
- 11) **Future professional development in coloproctology (150 words max)**

Futura vinculación a la Coloproctología. Detallar en un **máximo de 150 palabras** las posibilidades y voluntad del candidato de seguir la carrera profesional en el campo de la cirugía colorrectal una vez finalizado el Fellowship.

12) **Additional credits:** postgraduate clinical activities, awards, grants...) (Attach certifications, pdf)
Otros Meritos: *Actividad asistencial o experiencia quirúrgica post-MIR, premios, becas, etc) que el candidato quiere sean considerados al fin de la evaluación. (Adjuntar acreditación, pdf)*

- CV should be accompanied by:

- + Photocopy of the National Identity Card or Passport (for foreigners)
- + Photocopy of the specialist degree in General and/or Digestive Surgery
- + Letters or reports of reference (maximum of three) from the mentors/ tutors, regarding training, credits of the candidates and above all future progress and work prospects in the area of Coloproctology.