The Batsheva de Rothschild Fund for The Advancement of Science in Israel

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The Batsheva de Rothschild Fund is a private, non-profit organization established by Batsheva de Rothschild to support the advancement of science in Israel. It aims to provide opportunities for researchers to gain experience and expertise in leading laboratories around the world, particularly in the fields of life sciences, exact sciences, and engineering. The fund offers research grants for up to one month to research fellows, including PhD candidates, and post-doctoral candidates, as well as participation in conferences, workshops, and seminars. The application process is managed by the Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities, and applications are submitted electronically to Batsheva@academy.ac.il.
Aharon and Ephraim Katzir Study Grant Guidelines
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1. **Purpose** - The Aharon and Ephraim Katzir Study Grants are intended for extended studies in research and the learning of new methods at leading laboratories in the world in the life sciences, the exact sciences and engineering.

2. **Time Frame** - The grant is for 1 – 2 months in laboratories worldwide.

3. The awardee must return to his/her home lab in Israel immediately upon completion of the grant.

4. **Amount** - Each grant is for up to $5,000 USD and will cover travel and accommodation expenses of the awardee alone.

5. **Eligibility** - Grants will be awarded to doctoral students from all universities in Israel and researchers who have PhDs and MDs, up to 10 years from receipt of their degrees. Priority will be given to young researchers who don't have an extended study fund (Keren Hishtalmut).

6. Applications for finding a postdoctoral position, for participating in postdoctoral training, conferences, workshops or courses will not be accepted.

7. **Guidelines for Submitting a Proposal** – The proposal must be submitted by Email and should include:
   a) A personal letter addressed to The Aharon and Ephraim Katzir Grant Committee, including the reason for the trip and the dates of the proposed visit.
   b) A letter of authorization from the hosting laboratory.
   c) Two letters of recommendation. For doctoral students, one of these should be from their advisor. Letters of recommendation should be sent separately.
   d) A research plan of 2-5 pages, including the dates of the visit.
   e) A proposed budget, including flight, travel, lodging, food and special expenses (such as scientific equipment, car rental, etc.).
   f) Curriculum Vitae including List of Publications.

8. **Submission** - Grant applications can be submitted twice a year, at least 4 months prior to departure for the laboratory, directly by the candidate.

   **Dates of submission** - November 1st and June 1st of each year.
   Proposals should be submitted by e-mail to Ms. Batsheva Shor, The Aharon and Ephraim Katzir Study Grant Program, The Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities, E-mail: batsheva@academy.ac.il

9. **Evaluation** - Assessment of the proposal will focus on: the excellence of the candidate, the quality of the proposal and the distinction of the host laboratory.

10. **Reporting** - The awardee will provide a scientific report and a budgetary report no later than 3 months from his return.