



CECAD Maternity Leave Fellowship

CECAD promotes the reconciliation between work and private life for all members. We aim to create a family friendly work-environment to particularly support parents with young children.

In order to be able to continue your own research while it is not allowed by German law to conduct laboratory work during “Mutterschutz”, we offer the “CECAD Maternity Leave Fellowship“ through which expectant mothers can apply for support from student assistants or scientific staff. Support can be granted for female CECAD PhD students and PostDocs during Mutterschutz for a period of max. 14 weeks, 18 weeks for twins or disabled children. The grant holder has to be employed with one of the CECAD partner institutes and be associated to CECAD.

Please cover the following aspects and submit your application to Dr. Doris Birker: dbirker@uni-koeln.de:

- Your last name, first name
- Your principal investigator
- Your position (PhD student/PostDoc)
- Your employer (e.g. University, University Hospital, MPI)
- Your prospective due date
- Your prospective Mutterschutz period
- Your desired type of support (SHK/doctoral student/etc.)
- How will the support staff be supervised while you are absent from the laboratory?
- Short description of the project that will be conducted by the support staff
- How will the data acquired by the support staff be used for your individual project (PhD thesis/publication/etc.)?
- How does this funding support your current career development and your long-term career opportunities?
- Is the application and detailed planning of the CECAD maternity leave fellowship in agreement with your supervisor?
- Date and your signature
- Date and signature of principal investigator