

GUIDELINES for the DESJARDINS/LDI POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS

These fellowships to postdoctoral candidates are made possible through the generous donation of funds from Desjardins Financial Group and the LDI.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

The deadline for applications is **4:00 PM on May 15, 2025**.

ELIGIBILITY:

Desjardins/LDI Postdoctoral Fellowships are open to highly qualified postdoctoral trainees at the LDI who are **registered full-time** at McGill University as a postdoctoral trainee at the time the fellowship begins.

- To be **eligible** for the May 2025 competition, LDI postdoctoral trainees must be registered full-time in a McGill University research training program at the start of the award on September 1, 2025.
- Postdoctoral trainees currently being recruited to the LDI but not yet registered at McGill may apply to the competition but must be registered full-time at McGill at the start of the award.
- Successful applicants **must be registered at McGill University for the duration of the award**.
- Postdoctoral trainees may not hold more than two years of Desjardins/LDI Postdoctoral Fellowship funding.
- Applicants are required to apply to external and internal funding sources for which they are eligible.
- The **Primary Supervisor** must hold a McGill appointment and have a research program based at the Lady Davis Institute/Jewish General Hospital.
- The applicant must be conducting research at the Lady Davis Institute/Jewish General Hospital.
- The applicant must be receiving a stipend through an account at the LDI/JGH.
- * *The Lady Davis Institute is committed to the ideal that research excellence is greatly enhanced by ensuring equity of opportunity in research. We expect our research community to be marked by diversity in terms of experience, identity, and ideology.*

NUMBER OF AWARDS

Note to the Supervisor. A supervisor **cannot have more than two applicants** submitting a Desjardins/LDI Postdoctoral Fellowship Application per competition.

Note to the Applicant. A Desjardins/LDI Postdoctoral Fellowship cannot be combined with another award (internal or external).

VALUE AND DURATION OF SUPPORT

Desjardins/LDI postdoctoral fellowships are tenable for one year starting September 1, 2025. The Desjardins/LDI contribution is \$25000 for postdoctoral trainees. Supervisors are expected to supplement funded applicants such that the postdoctoral fellows are receiving a minimum of \$50000/year.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS

Candidates will be informed of the results of the competition by August 1, 2025.

HOW TO SUBMIT THE APPLICATION PACKAGE:

The Applicant must submit the complete Application Package as ONE (1) single PDF document identified as “FAMILY NAME_Given Name_2025_March_Postdoctoral Fellowships” to this e-mail address: Alessandra.Padovani@ladydavis.ca

It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure that all the required documents are submitted by the deadline. **NOTE that late, incomplete or handwritten applications will not be considered. ALSO NOTE that failure to comply to the LDI Guidelines will automatically lead to the withdraw of the application from the competition (see checklist at end of application form).**

APPLICATION PACKAGE:

Each Applicant must submit these documents in one (1) single PDF Document identified as (‘FAMILY NAME_Given Name_2025_March_Postdoctoral Fellowships’):

- **Postdoctoral Fellowship Application Form (must include the hand or electronically signed signature page)**
- **Publication List** – Please attach a complete list of your most recent publications. For publications in press, attach a copy of the letter of acceptance. For publications submitted, indicate the journal name and attach a copy of the cover letter to the journal or an email from the editor indicating receipt of the manuscript.
- Transcript to confirm registration and Academic status (most recent unofficial McGill transcript from Minerva).
- Final transcript (unofficial is fine) from their PhD for purposes only of confirming date of graduation.

Important Notes

No additional pages are allowed, except where specifically indicated.

Applicants are **not** to provide a separate CV.

Failure to provide all the above documents and as one pdf will result in withdrawal of the application from the competition.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Evaluation Criteria	Ratings for postdoctoral trainees
Awards and Studentships/Fellowships	/3
Peer-Reviewed Publications	/7
Presentations (Oral and Poster)	/5
Research Project	/3
Training Expectations	/2

Once received, the applications will be screened and forwarded for review to the LDI Postdoctoral Fellowships Committee.