SUPA
Saltire Emerging Researcher Visits
Goal of the scheme?

Establish new or strengthen existing research collaborations between Europe and Scotland
Who?

- **Scottish- or European-based** Doctoral students and Early Career Researchers. ECR’s are defined as being within 7 years (full time equivalent) of graduating their doctorate.

  \(\text{AND}\)

- Those members of SUPA and others in Scotland undertaking research that is aligned with SUPA’s seven research themes:
  
  - Astronomy & Space Science
  - Condensed Matter & Materials Science
  - Energy
  - Nuclear & Plasma Physics
  - Particle Physics
  - Photonics
  - Physics & Life Sciences

  \(\text{AND}\)

- Academic or Industry collaborators in any EU member state, EEA or EFTA country. European collaborators are welcome to apply.
Where?

Any EU member state, EEA or EFTA country:

- EU states which form part of the EEA
- EFTA states which form part of the EEA
- EU state which forms part of the EEA through the provisional application of an accession agreement
- EFTA state which signed the EEA agreement but did not join
- Former EU state which was part of the EEA

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When?

- Travel must take place between the start of January, 2022 and must be completed by the end of July, 2022
- Visits can be for at most 6 months
- First deadline for applications is October 28th
- Second deadline is November 25th
Application Timeline

Deadline: 28 October
Decision: Early November
Deadline: 25 November
Decision: Early December
Travel Timeline

- **Travel starts**: January 2022
- **Travel finishes**: August 2022
- **Expenses submitted**: 31 July 2022
- **Report submitted**: September 2022
- **Cohort event**: October 2022

*2022*
Eligible costs

Each successful candidate may be the recipient of a single award only, up to a maximum value of £10,000.

- Economy travel
- Accommodation
- Subsistence at the agreed institutional rate
- Reasonable adjustments

There is allowance for reasonable adjustments relating to equality, diversity, and inclusion. For example, splitting an exchange into two visits to return home for a medical appointment that cannot be moved.

The funding cannot be used for visas, attendance at conferences or training seminars, or research costs.
What’s the application process?

Criteria for selection will include:
- evidence of the ability of the candidate (output, leadership);
- likely benefits to the research of the candidate (new skills, techniques likely to be acquired) as result of the visit;
- likely benefits to the longer-term career of the researcher as a result of the visit;
- evidence of wider benefits to SUPA as a result of the visit;
- the potential for sustained collaboration as a result of the visit;
- the potential for academic and/or social impact.

https://www.supa.ac.uk/Graduate_School/Saltire_Visits
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Details of the visit

Outline of the project and the work that would be undertaken [<400 words]:

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Each visit must be for a maximum of 6 months.

Evidence of the ability of the visiting researcher (output, leadership) [<200 words]:

Likely benefits to the research of the visiting researcher (new skills, techniques likely to be acquired) [<200 words]:

Likely benefits to the longer-term career of the visiting researcher as a result of the visit [<200 words]:

Evidence of wider benefits to Scotland as a result of the visit [<200 words]:

Prospects of sustained collaboration as a result of the visit [<200 words]:

Potential for academic and/or social impact [<200 words]:
How will the applications be assessed?

The competition will be judged by the SUPA Theme Leaders, experts in the sub disciplines and the SUPA Graduate School team (CEO and Coordinators).

Applications received by the first deadline, October 28\textsuperscript{th}, will be reviewed and decided in early November.

Applications received by the second deadline, November 25\textsuperscript{th}, will be reviewed and decided in early December.
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You are also asked to consider alternative arrangements in case travelling is not possible. This could be for reasons such as Covid-19 restrictions, disability, caring responsibilities, pregnancy, or LGBT+ safety.

- How will you carry out the research?
- What equipment do you need?
- Who do you need access to?

Permission of 1st or 2nd supervisors will be required plus confirmation that the host organisation is willing to accept and host the visit for the proposed period.

You must agree to attend online SUPA cohort meetings to share experiences, as well as the Team Saltire event in October 2022.
What is “Team Saltire”?  
- Cohort of everyone undertaking a visit  
- From across all Saltire Emerging Researcher visits  
- [https://www.research-innovation-scotland.co.uk/](https://www.research-innovation-scotland.co.uk/)
Any questions?