

Glomerulonephritis Fellowship: 2019-2021
Division of Nephrology Department of Medicine
University of British Columbia

The Division of Nephrology, Department of Medicine at the University of British Columbia invites applications for a Glomerulonephritis (GN) Fellowship training program: 2019-2021.

This is a 2-year fellowship offered through collaboration of the BC Provincial Renal Agency and the UBC Division of Nephrology. Salary-support funding is available.

Rationale: There is growing recognition that the management of GN is increasingly specialized, and that expertise in the management of GN requires more intensive exposure than what is typically provided during the general nephrology 2-year residency training program. As such, a dedicated fellowship in GN is beneficial in improving a trainee's ability to diagnose and treat glomerular diseases, which is a skill set that is applicable in any nephrology practice.

Eligibility: Individuals who have completed 24 months of training in an accredited nephrology program (or equivalent with approval of the GN fellowship director). Concurrent registration in a relevant Master's or PhD program is mandatory during the fellowship but not required at the time of application (for applicants with pre-existing Master's or PhD research training, this requirement can be deferred with approval of the GN fellowship director).

College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC English Language Requirement for Registration: The College has considered in the interest of patient care, any candidate applying for licensure in British Columbia must have the ability to speak, read, and write, English. If the language of primary medical education and patient care was not in English the successful completion of **IELTS Academic examination** is required.

- Minimum score of 7 in each component
- Test Report Form (TFR) is valid for a period of two years from date taken

Objectives:

- To develop expertise in the clinical diagnosis and management of glomerular diseases, including in the context of pregnancy
- To develop an in-depth knowledge of nephropathology related to glomerular diseases
- To gain an understanding and experience in the administration of health services related to glomerular diseases; the development, implementation and evaluation of GN health programs; and in resource allocation in GN-related healthcare
- To gain the necessary education, training and experience in research methodology, manuscript preparation and publication, and grant development to ensure successful transition to a career as independent researcher in glomerular diseases

Fellowship overview: The GN fellowship lasts 2 years, and is a combined clinical, health administration and research fellowship. During the fellowship, the successful applicant is required to be enrolled in a Master's or PhD degree program relevant to their area of research interest (which can be deferred for applicants with a previous comparable degree and research

training with approval of the GN fellowship director). The fellowship additionally includes the following GN-specific learning opportunities:

- Twice-weekly GN clinics
- Pregnancy nephrology clinic
- Lupus clinic (in collaboration with rheumatologists)
- Vasculitis clinic (in collaboration with rheumatologists)
- Pathology rotations (in collaboration with the Department of Pathology)
- Participation in the activities of the BC GN Committee through the BC Provincial Renal Agency, including completion of a GN-related health administration / health services project

Fellows are expected to attend all biopsy rounds, province-wide nephrology rounds, and BC GN Committee meetings, and present GN-related topics at academic half days, UBC Division of Nephrology province-wide rounds, and other educational rounds.

Applicants interested in applying for this program should send a letter of intent, CV and names of 3 references to the UBC Division of Nephrology Glomerulonephritis Training Program c/o Tammie Davis tammie.davis@vch.ca by October 15th, 2018.

Decisions regarding successful applicants will be forthcoming by December 2018. Expected start date is July 2019 (which can be flexible, with earlier starts considered on a case by case basis), with enrollment in a relevant Master's or PhD program as of September 2019.

Thank you for your interest.