PhD studentship (Full-time)



Institution	Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University, China
Department	Department of Biological Sciences
Supervisors	Principle supervisor: Dr. Minyan Wang (XJTLU, Biological Sciences) Co-supervisor: Professor John Quinn (UoL, Institute of Translational Medicine)
Application Deadline	Open until the position is filled
Funding Availability	Funded PhD project (world-wide students)
Project Title	Sarcoma family kinase signaling in migraine pathophysiology
	肉瘤家族激酶对偏头痛作用机制研究
Contact	Please email minyan.wang@xjtlu.edu.cn (XJTLU principal supervisor's email address) with a subject line of the PhD project title

Requirements:

The candidate should have a first class or upper second class honours degree, or a master's degree (or equivalent qualification), in Biological Sciences or related areas. Additional background in cellular and molecular neuroscience is preferred. Evidence of good spoken and written English is essential. The candidate should have an IELTS score of 6.5 or above, if the first language is not English. This position is open to all qualified candidates irrespective of nationality.

Degree:

The student will be awarded a PhD degree from the University of Liverpool (UK) upon successful completion of the program.

Funding:

The PhD studentship is available for three years subject to satisfactory progress by the student. The award covers tuition fees for three years (currently equivalent to RMB 80,000 per annum) and provides a monthly stipend of 3500 RMB as a contribution to living expenses. It also provides up to RMB 16,500 to allow participation at international conferences during the period of the award. It is a condition of the award that holders of XJTLU PhD scholarships carry out 300-500 hours of teaching assistance work per year. The scholarship holder is expected to carry out the major part of his or her research at XJTLU in Suzhou, China. However, he or she is eligible for a research study visit to the University of Liverpool of up to three months, if this is required by the project.

Project Description:

The candidate will conduct research under the supervision of Dr. Minyan Wang at XJTLU, Dept. of Biological Sciences and Professor John Quinn at University of Liverpool. The project will use multidisciplinary approaches including electrophysiology, imaging, biochemical, and cellular and molecular techniques to understand mechanisms by which activation of sarcoma family kinase in migraine. Resources from both universities will be available to the candidate. Supervision as well as resulting publications and theses will be in English language.

For more information about doctoral scholarship and PhD programme at Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University (XJTLU): Please visit

http://www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en/study-with-us/admissions/entry-requirements
http://www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en/admissions/phd/feesscholarships.html

How to Apply:

Interested applicants are advised to email minyan.wang@xjtlu.edu.cn (XJTLU principal supervisor's email address) the following documents for initial review and assessment (please put the project title in the subject line).

- CV
- Two reference letters with company/university letterhead
- Personal statement outlining your interest in the position
- Proof of English language proficiency (an IELTS score of 6.5 or above)
- Verified school transcripts in both Chinese and English (for international students, only the English version is required)
- Verified certificates of education qualifications in both Chinese and English (for international students, only the English version is required)

Informal enquiries may be addressed to Dr. Minyan Wang (minyan.wang @xjtlu.edu.cn), whose personal profile is linked below, http://www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en/departments/academic-departments/biological-sciences/staff/minyan-wang