

# Division of International Services at the NIH

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- National Institutes of Health (NIH): Federal agency under the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
  - “The nation’s medical research agency — making important discoveries that improve health and save lives.”
- Division of International Services (DIS) is a part of the Office of Research Services (ORS)
  - Provides responsive and dependable support to the NIH research mission by planning, directing and delivering scientific and regulatory activities, public safety, security, and services to enrich the NIH community.
- NIH research mission = Intramural Research Program at NIH, whose institutes & centers perform research on-campus

## NIH Intramural Research Program



## CRTA Program

U.S. citizens or U.S. permanent residents are eligible

## Visiting Program

Foreign national scientists at the early stage of their biomedical research training career

## Top Countries Represented at the NIH FY23



India  
China  
Japan  
South Korea  
Italy  
Brazil

UK  
France  
Germany  
Spain  
Taiwan  
Mexico

Note: Adapted from “*Statistical Summary of Foreign Scientists at the National Institutes of Health, Fiscal Year 2016*” by Division of International Services, Office of Research Services, Office of the Director, NIH, 2016.

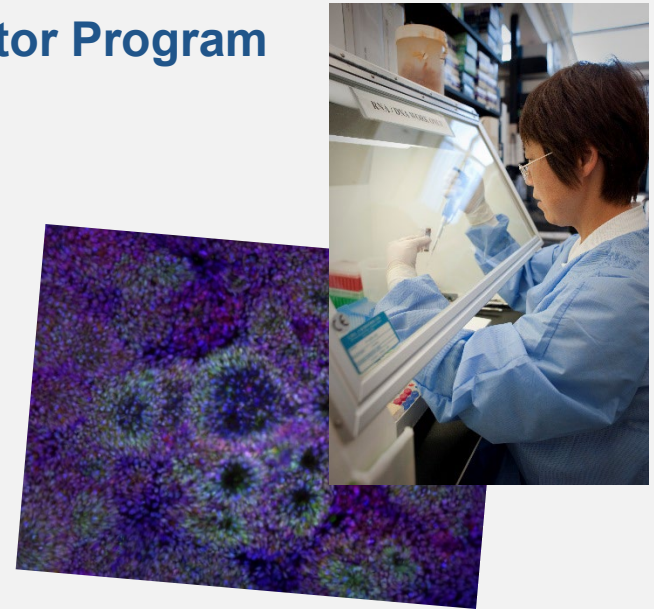
## J-1 program at the NIH

### Department of State Exchange Visitor Program

The NIH is authorized by the Department of State as a J-1 program sponsor.

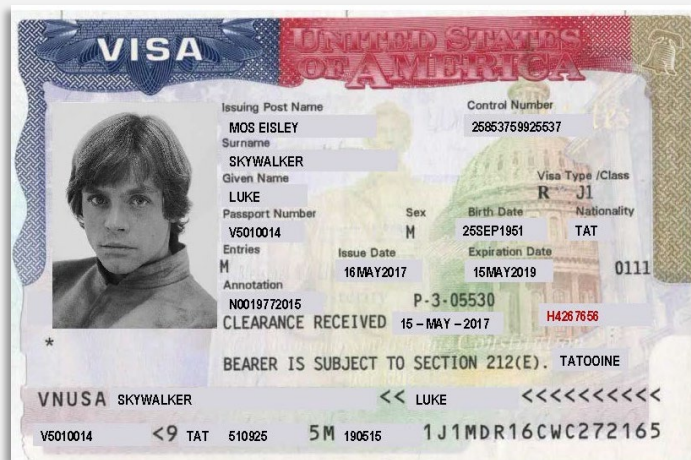
The J-1 Exchange Visitor program is both designed to increase mutual understanding between the U.S. and other nations as well as provide high quality biomedical research training to eligible participants.

As a **J-1 Research Scholar** category program participant, you may benefit from up to five years of J-1 time to fulfill a postdoctoral fellowship here at the NCI/NIH.



## J-1 program at the NIH

What happens next...?



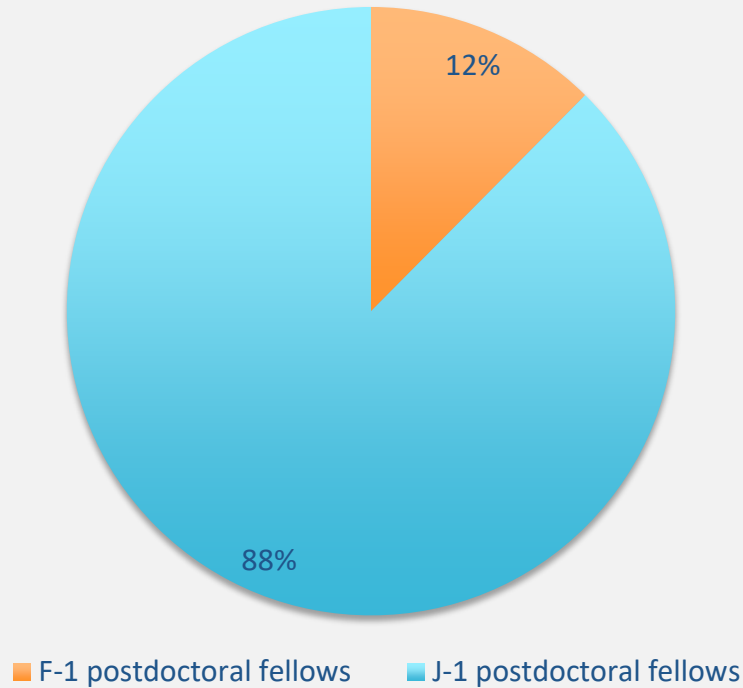
Your fellowship is secured with NCI...

NCI sends a case request to DIS to initiate the J-1 visa process to facilitate your fellowship here at the NIH.

DIS provides you with the appropriate non-immigrant enabling document to facilitate your J-1 visa application in your home country.

You enter the U.S. in J-1 status to begin your exciting new career as a postdoctoral researcher at the U.S.'s largest biomedical agency!

## Total # of Foreign National at NIH = 2,722 (FY2023)



## F-1 status

F-1 students are also eligible for Visiting Program designations including as a postdoctoral visiting fellow.



F-1 status holders must obtain and provide appropriate work authorization.

Work closely with your International Student and Scholar Services office at your sponsoring institution to determine eligibility for appropriate work authorization.







**More information on the NIH's Visiting Program can be found on the Division of International Services website**