

Short Term Mobility Award 2026**ISEBTT CALL
SHORT TERM MOBILITY AWARD (STMA)**

ISEBTT is launching a competitive, inaugural Short-Term Mobility Award (STMA) designed for PhD and specialization students, as well as early-stage postdoctoral researchers. This award supports short research stays abroad, enabling candidates to advance their academic and professional development. It provides opportunities for work-related mobility, enabling recipients to undertake research stays at leading academic institutions or industries abroad, outside their home institution and country. The aim of the award is to allow candidates to acquire new techniques and specialized methodologies, as well as access cutting-edge data, instruments, and processes that are not available at their home institutions.

Schedule of the call

Application Open	Application Deadline	Notification of Results
15 July 2026	15 October 2026	01 December 2026

The mobility period will be allowed between January 1st - December 20th, 2027.

Candidates Eligibility

- Students must have at least a Master degree.
- Early-stage postdoctoral researchers must have completed their PhD within the past five years (excluding any parental leave).

Mobility duration

The STM must have a minimum duration of one month. Shorter stays, as brief as two weeks, may be considered, if strongly justified in the project proposal. Longer stays are also possible. It is expected that additional funding sources is encouraged to top up the STM grant

Selection Criteria of Research Institution/Industry

Each candidate may choose the institution or industry where they will carry out their research activities. Preference will be given to candidates who select a laboratory or industry aligned with ISEBTT's key partners.

Funding Allocation and Support for Applicants

Funding will be awarded up to five applicants. Each selected grant recipient will receive US \$3,000 in financial support

Application Procedure

STMA candidates must submit their Application Form along with the required supporting documents by email, specifying in the Object: STMA Application, to the ISEBTT Awards Committee (awards@electroporation.net) for evaluation. The Application Form must include a project description, motivation, experimental plan, and expected results.

Supporting Documents

- A detailed curriculum vitae of the Candidates which includes the list of scientific publications
- A brief supporting letter from the Supervisor of the Candidates at their home institution
- A brief letter of acceptance from the Supervisor of the Candidates at the host Institution

Selection procedure

The Awards Committee will evaluate the applications based on the following main criteria:

1. Relevance, quality, and clarity of the proposed STM project
2. Feasibility of the planned activities with respect to the duration of STM
3. Profile of the applicant, her/his previous work and scientific achievements, taking into account her/his carrier stage
4. Choice of host laboratory/industry, which the applicant must clearly justify

Scientific Report at the end of STM

Within two months of completing the stay abroad, selected candidates must submit a report (max 2000 words) on the research stay to the Awards committee. This report should highlight the key results achieved, outline publications in preparation, and describe potential future developments of the collaboration with the host laboratory or institution. The most interesting experiences will be featured, written by the candidates themselves, in the ISEBTT newsletter.