

Positions / awards

Position at Karolinska

We are seeking a postdoctoral fellow to lead a subproject in a recently awarded [ERC Synergy grant \(D2Smell\)](#) with the overall aim to digitalize smell; under the leadership of Noam Sobel at the Weizmann Institute. The aim of our project is to record signals from all nodes of the olfactory system in moving humans using EEG to understand what chemicals the human olfactory system is consciously processing as well as try to crack the olfactory neural code. The main task of the postdoctoral fellow will be, with the help of research assistants, to set up and validate a new ambulatory EEG system and, subsequently, to analyze and publish collected data. In addition, they will assist in setting up similar systems at other nodes within the ERC project. Beyond working on the ERC project, they will also be able to pursue their own research questions within the framework of our general research program. As a postdoctoral researcher in the group, they will have the opportunity to work in a successful and well-funded research group with a number of senior and junior researchers. Our research group collaborates with a number of prominent research groups around the world, which provides an opportunity for international exchanges.

The initial appointment is for two years with renewal expected if progress is satisfactory. Beyond a competitive salary, with employment at the Karolinska Institutet comes additional benefits, such as five weeks of paid vacation, generous pension payments, nearly free healthcare/childcare/schools, and living in a city ranked as one of the more livable cities in the world with fantastic nature access.

The [Perceptual Neuroscience lab](#) is located in the Department of Clinical Neuroscience at [Karolinska Institutet](#) (Stockholm, Sweden). Our lab aims to determine how the human olfactory system function, in health and disease. Our research uses a variety of techniques including EEG, fMRI, receptor recordings, and psychophysical/behavioral methods. Our lab owns multiple EEG, TMS, and physiological measurement systems, as well as direct access to multiple 3T and one 7T and one MEG scanners (and many more method platforms).

Deadline for applying is midnight (CET) 21st of February, 2024.

To find more information and to apply: <https://ki.varbi.com/en/what:job/jobID:696547/>

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