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Call for Hecht Sustainable Protein Fellowship Grants
for Technion PIs wishing to hire excellent post-doctoral researchers

Round 2

We are excited to announce the second call for Hecht Sustainable Protein Fellowship Grants, for Technion PIs of any faculty wishing to hire excellent post-doctoral researchers, in honor and memory of Esther and Herbert Hecht. This competitive fellowship is aimed at supporting the recruitment of PhD graduates (of any university in the world, including the Technion, up to 5 years after PhD graduation) by Technion PIs. The fellowship will amount to at least 12,000 NIS/month for a period of 1-2 years (2nd year funding, if requested, will be decided by an HSPRC committee depending on 1st year achievements, mainly publications, and on the availability of funds). HSPRC will cover 8000 NIS/month, while the rest of the fellowship will be covered by the mentoring PI, who is allowed to increase his/her contribution to above 4000NIS/month, up to the maximum allowed by the Technion (15,750NIS/month total fellowship).

The candidates should present a record of high achievements and demonstrate motivation and commitment to advance research in the broad field of sustainable proteins, from any relevant discipline, and across the value chain.

See our [website](#) for further information.

The number of awardees (2-5/year) will depend on the quality of applications and availability of funds. We will consider announcing an additional call in the winter of 2026-7.

During the grant period, the PIs and their postdoctoral researchers will also be affiliated with HSPRC and be required to add this affiliation to their email signatures and professional media.

Resulting publications from the study performed during the PD study supported by the fellowship must acknowledge the "Esther and Herbert Hecht Sustainable Protein Research Center".

Additional donors may need to be acknowledged, as will be mentioned in the award document.

Fellowship grant funds will be processed through the VPR office following Technion regulations.

Final acceptance will be approved according to the Technion VPA regulations.



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PIs applying for the grant must provide the following documents:

1. 3 Page CV of the candidate (including list of publications and any awards or honors received).
2. Transcripts of academic records of the candidate (1st to 3rd degrees) and their PhD diploma or a document of eligibility to receive it.
3. Recommendation letters obtained directly by the applying PI from 2-3 recommenders including the PhD supervisor.
4. One page letter of personal statement expressing motivation, including the drive to advance the sustainable protein field.
5. Letter from the PI, including the title of the proposed research project, the suitability of- and interest in the candidate for the proposed study and a commitment to cover the matching of at least 4000 NIS/month.

Proposals should be submitted to: hspcr_submit@technion.ac.il

Deadline for application submission: 31/08/2026

Notification of awards by 30/09/2026

Awardees must begin their PD between October 2026 and March 2027.

Good Luck!!

Prof. Yoav D. Livney (Director)
Prof. Avi Shpigelman (Deputy Director)

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