The Medtronic Copenhagen Neurosurgical Observer Fellowship in Skull Base Surgery

September –November 2023 (3 months)

Department of Neurosurgery, the National University Hospital, Rigshospitalet, Copenhagen, Denmark.

Aim: To provide education in skull base surgery at an international level.

Applicants: Doctors with a specialist registration or in a neurosurgical training programme in the field of neurosurgery and with an interest in subspecialisation in skull base surgery. Applicants from countries with limited or no capacity for post graduate neurosurgical education in skull base surgery will be preferred.

Language: English, must be well spoken and understood.

Content: The skull base team in Copenhagen consist of Neurosurgeons, ENT-surgeons, Ophtalmic surgeons supported by various other specialties such as neuroradiology, oncology, plastic and reconstructive surgery, physiotherapists and nursing staff. The surgical treatment of large acoustic neuromas, clivus tumors and craniopharyngiomas are centralised for the entire country and takes place in the neurosurgical department in Copenhagen, where more than 150 subspecialist skull base procedures are performed every year. In the 3-month clinical observer fellowship the fellow will be assisting/observing 3-6 skull base operations per week performed by the skull base team, covering neurosurgery, ENT and orbital surgery, as well as combined cases when possible. The fellow will participate in weekly multidisciplinary skull base meetings, in the Copenhagen Skull Base Course 2023 and in the 17th Copenhagen advanced FESS course. There is an additional possibility to perform an in depth study of skull base anatomy and approaches at the skull base lab at the Medical School at the University of Copenhagen.
Due to the language barrier, there is no service commitment and therefore **no salary in connection with the fellowship**.
In October, week 42, there may be a reduction in the clinical skull base activities of 1 week, due to autumn holidays.

Included in the fellowship

Observation of skull base cases.
Accommodation (student level, up to 2500 Euro covered for 3 months)
Monthly allowance of 600 Euro (towards basic living expenses)
Possibility to use our anatomy laboratory.
Course fees for the Copenhagen Skull Base Course 2023 (September) and the 17th Copenhagen advanced FESS course (September).

Not included in the fellowship

There is no salary attached to the fellowship.
Travel expenses are not covered.
Insurance is not covered.
Accommodation, **to be arranged by the fellow**, up to 2500 Euro covered by the fellowship.

Application: 1 pg application+CV+ recommendation letter to Kåre Fugleholm Kaare.Fugleholm@regionh.dk