

NKI PhD program 2022

Application form

This application form consists of three parts: 1) eligibility criteria, 2) preferred topics and 3) research criteria. If you have any questions about how to fill out the form or how to send in the files, you can send an email to: phdprogram@nki.nl.

Part 1. Eligibility criteria

There are four eligibility criteria that you have to fulfill. The first three criteria are addressed in the questions on page 2. The fourth criteria, will be inferred from the video that you have to send in (see point3, Research criteria on page 6).

1. Academic record: Candidates must have obtained or will obtain within 3 months after the call deadline a master degree in medical biology, medicine, physics, chemistry, artificial intelligence psychology or a related topic, which allows them to enroll in an official Doctoral program in the Netherlands.
2. Time since graduation: At the date of the call deadline, candidates must have finished their MSc less than four years before.
3. Exception: The 4-year period is extended by 18 months for each child the candidate gave birth to during this period, or for the time the candidate took parental leave (according to the applicable national laws) during this period. The period is also extended for candidates who did obligatory military service, had long-term illness, or took care of a family member or officially registered partner for the period the care was provided.
4. Language: Fluent in spoken and written English.

Tick the box if you believe you fulfill the eligibility criteria described above

	Field in which you did your master e.g. biology	(expected) date of graduation (dd-mm-yy)
1		
2		
3		

Career breaks, if any. A detailed description (max. 200 words) of career breaks in academic education or work is important to understand the career record, but also to justify eventual exceptions for the eligibility rule "time since graduation" (see eligibility criteria at page 1).

Part 2. The project(s) of your interest

Select one or two of the offered dissertation positions according to your interest and previous experiences. The available positions in this call can be found at:

[NKI PhD program 2022: Available projects | Netherlands Cancer Institute](#)

Topic 1	
Topic 2	

Part 3. Research criteria

At the start of the program, each candidates will be evaluated on the five research criteria below.

1. research motivation

Research motivation and interest (max 500 words); Explain in a detailed manner your curiosity about the one or two preferred research topics and your motivation to work in science.

2. *research experience*

Research experience (max 500 words): candidates should have hands on experience with and knowledge about multiple relevant techniques.

3. Video

Make a video of maximum 5 minutes in which you discuss a research article that you find interesting. The presentation should include a short description of the article and a discussion about why you find this article interesting. The emphasis of the presentation must lie on why you chose this particular article, not on the content of the article. The presentation should be clear, structured and understandable.

4. CV

The CV should be clear, concise, relevant for the position and maximum 2 pages.

5. Reference letters

Ask two referees to write a reference letter. The letters should be submitted independently by the referees. The referees have to send their letters directly to phdprogram@nki.nl. It is the candidate's responsibility that the referees submit the reference on time. The letter should contain at least information about the duration and the kind of experience that the referee has with the candidate regarding: 1) lab experience, 2) research motivation, 3) research capabilities and 4) scientific writing and presenting

What to submit and how:

- 1) Sent the application form and CV as PDF documents to phdprogram@nki.nl

The filenames should contain: the description of the file content, your last name, and the last name(s) of the principal investigators who's projects you are interested in the most as follows:

ApplicationForm_LastNameCandidate_LastNamePInr1_LastNamePInr2.pdf

CV_LastNameCandidate_LastNamePInr1_LastNamePInr2.pdf

- 2) Sent the video via WeTransfer to phdprogram@nki.nl
[WeTransfer - Send Large Files & Share Photos Online - Up to 2GB Free](#)

The filename should contain: the description of the file content, your last name, and the last name(s) of the principal investigators who's projects you are interested in the most as follows:

Video_LastNameCandidate_LastNamePInr1_LastNamePInr2.mp4

- 3) Make sure that the referees sent their reference on time to phdprogram@nki.nl