

2025

S.I.T.R.A.C. has the pleasure to offer funding for **30.000 Euros** to support a prestigious **12-month Corneal Fellowship at LV Prasad Eye Institute (LVPEI)**. The **LVPEI**, founded in 1987 and headquartered in Hyderabad, India, is an internationally recognized center of excellence in eye care, education, and research. Its emphasis on skill development and research makes it a highly sought-after destination for young ophthalmologists worldwide, especially for those seeking exposure to high-volume cases and cutting-edge practices.

The post offers excellent opportunities for clinical training and for clinical and basic science research. The Cornea, Cataract & Refractive Unit specializes in corneal, limbal and conjunctival reconstruction, microbial keratitis, keratoconus management and ocular surface disease. The supervising consultants are innovators in their areas of work, have pioneered new concepts and services and have international reputations. This fellowship offers unparalleled hands-on training in advanced techniques, including corneal transplantation and ocular surface reconstruction.

The fellow will gain exposure to high-volume, diverse cases while working alongside world-renowned experts in a center that integrates cutting-edge research with a commitment to accessible, high-quality eye care.

This fellowship is ideal for ophthalmologists passionate about combining clinical excellence with impactful research. LVPEI's international reputation for innovation and education makes it the perfect place to advance your career and contribute to the future of corneal care.

The proposed start date is **October 2025**. SITRAC will provide accommodation and meals, along with the fellowship expenses, but no salary will be offered.



CRITERIA FOR CONSIDERATION

Applicants are expected to be able to demonstrate multidisciplinary team working and flexibility. Applicants need to be less than 35 years old and **must have completed a four years residency program in ophthalmology**. Applicants should have clinical and surgical skills commensurate with the position, at senior trainee and above level.

PURPOSE OF JOB

- To develop clinical and surgical skills to the level of an anterior segment subspecialist
- To provide support for the Corneal and Ocular Surface Disease Service
- To undertake research into the Cornea and Ocular Surface
- To undertake corneal transplant and anterior segment surgery
- To provide training of junior colleagues
- To provide a general ophthalmic service under the supervision of consultant staff
- To participate in and supervise audit projects
- To exchange ideas, skills and knowledge with team

APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Applicants must send the following application material to sitrac@pec.it:
 - Curriculum vitae with qualifications, role, publication, presentation (talk&poster), surgery performed (kind and number surgery)
 - Letter of intent
 - 2 recommendation letter

Deadline: May 15, 2025

2. Online interview: **May 28, 8.00 am**

The **National Medical Commission of India (NMC) registration** is mandatory for all international fellows. The estimated time for issuance is 4-5 months.

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