



**PhD programme  
Centre for Chromosome Biology  
National University of Ireland, Galway**

Dear Student,

Thank you for your interest in the Centre for Chromosome Biology's PhD Programme.

This application form gathers important information about you that is relevant to your candidacy. We will carefully evaluate your application and respond as soon as possible.

The following application form requires information under five headings:

1. Your name and contact details
2. Your educational history, including any honours or prizes received
3. Names and contact details for references
4. Your thoughts on how to achieve the most from your PhD
5. Your initial preferences for specific CCB research groups (see [www.chromosome.ie](http://www.chromosome.ie))

**Optimal submission date is on or before 01 December 2012.** Later submissions are still welcome but they may not receive as rapid attention.

**Please email your completed application to [chromosome@nuigalway.ie](mailto:chromosome@nuigalway.ie)**

If you need assistance or require more information at any point, please consult our website [www.chromosome.ie](http://www.chromosome.ie). You may also email [chromosome@nuigalway.ie](mailto:chromosome@nuigalway.ie).

We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

The faculty of the Centre for Chromosome Biology

## **APPLICATION FORM – CCB PhD PROGRAMME**

### **PART 1. NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS**

**1A. Family name**

**1B. First name(s)**

**1C. Nationality**

**1D. Gender (male/female)**

**1E. Email address (we will use this to contact you)**

**1F. Postal address**

**1G. Telephone number**

**PART 2. EDUCATION**

**Undergraduate**

**2.1 University attended**

**2.2 Dates**

**2.3 Degree title**

**2.4 Is degree awarded? Give date of award or anticipated date of award**

**2.5 Grade awarded/honours**

If not yet graduated, please state overall mark after third year

**2.6 Percentage mark overall**

Please state place in class, if known

**2.7 Individual science courses (year, course descriptor, overall mark, place in class if known) e.g. 1<sup>st</sup> year, Biology, 72%, 14<sup>th</sup> of 256 Use extra pages as needed**

**PART 2. EDUCATION, continued**

**Postgraduate (if applicable): Taught Programmes** *e.g. Master's*

**2.8 University attended**

**2.9 Dates**

**2.10 Degree title**

**2.11 Is degree awarded? Give date of award or anticipated date of award**

**2.12 Individual science courses (year, course descriptor, overall mark, place in class if known)** *e.g. Methods in Cancer Research, 74%, 2<sup>nd</sup> of 18*

**PART 2. EDUCATION, continued**

**Postgraduate (if applicable): Research Programmes** *e.g. Master's by Research*

**2.13 University attended**

**2.14 Dates**

**2.15 Degree title**

**2.16 Is degree awarded? Give date of award or anticipated date of award**

**2.17 Supervisor's name**

**2.18 Summary of thesis** *Please provide title, abstract and main achievements. 300 words, use extra pages as needed*

**PART 3. AWARDS AND REFEREES**

**3.1 Academic prizes, scholarship and awards.** *From either undergraduate or postgraduate courses*

**3.2 Please provide the name, title, postal address, email and telephone numbers for three referees and state their relationship with you (e.g. supervisor, course coordinator, Head of Department etc.)**

#### **4. RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AND SUITABILITY**

**In 1,200 words or fewer, please address the following points. Use extra pages as required**

- Why do you wish to pursue a PhD in chromosome biology?
- Why you are particularly suited for this research field (skills, experience etc.)?
- What projects, essays or other relevant experience do you have?  
(e.g. undergraduate research project, summer research placement, research publications, conference papers, etc.)
- Why have you chosen the Centre for Chromosome Biology as compared to other locations?
- In terms of your career, what are your longterm ambitions and how will this degree help you to realise them?
- Discuss any additional aspects which you feel will provide a better picture of your capability, motivation and interests.

## **5. INITIAL PREFERENCES FOR CCB FACULTY**

**From [www.chromosome.ie](http://www.chromosome.ie), please list in order up to three initial preferences for CCB supervisors. Indicate whether you have had advance contact with any of these individuals.**