

## Exit Poll for Doctoral Students 2017-2020

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## Introduction

Exit Poll is a survey of newly graduated doctors at Karolinska Institutet ( KI ). The purpose of the survey is to gather information about how KI's doctoral students experience their education. The congregated information then forms the foundation for measures to improve doctoral education and the situation of doctoral students. The questions posed in the questionnaire concern several aspects of the education, such as supervision, courses, administrative support from the department, doctoral students' learning and work environment, and future plans after graduation.

Exit polls have been sent since 2008 to all graduate doctoral students in conjunction with, or shortly after, their public defense.

In this report, results from four years (2017-2020) have been compiled. A similar summary was made in 2017 (dnr: 1-449/2017) and results from this is included for the sake of comparison. There have also been reports at departmental level, which have been produced and disseminated to the heads of department.

The number of questions in the survey has varied over the years. In the 2020 questionnaire (which this report is based on) there were 43 questions, containing both closed and open-ended response options (questionnaire is attached as appendix).

Respondents have been guaranteed anonymity, which we take the most seriously. Questions which are of sensitive nature have therefore been dealt with separately. For questions regarding discrimination or harassment (page 39) the data are displayed in a restricted format.

The following questions have been omitted from this report: 1. Open questions with free text answers for reasons of integrity and feasibility. 2. Questions intended being evaluated in special order but having a low public interest. 3. Questions that have been altered/changed during the period.

It should be emphasized that responses mediated in this aggregated exit poll report describes the situation at KI retrospectively, as the survey has been launched only upon completion of doctoral studies.

## Who responded to the survey?

All doctoral students at KI will have access to the questionnaire through a personal link via an e-mail sent soon after the public defense of the dissertation. Since 2015 the questionnaire is only being distributed to students obtaining a doctoral degree, previously it was also sent to students pursuing a licentiate degree.

The doctoral students answer the questionnaire anonymously.

During the period covered by this report, 2017-2020, 1413 doctoral students were asked to answer the questionnaire, which generated a total response rate of 77 percent, for the 2013-2016 periods the aggregated response rate was 83 percent.

## Response rate



| Year | Number of graduates | Number of survey responses | Response rate (\%) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2013 | 367 | 309 | 84.2 |
| 2014 | 354 | 303 | 85.6 |
| 2015 | 360 | 295 | 81.9 |
| 2016 | 340 | 274 | 80.6 |
| $2013-2016$ | 1421 | 1181 | 83.1 |
| 2017 | 361 | 287 | 79.5 |
| 2018 | 366 | 278 | 76.0 |
| 2019 | 332 | 245 | 73.8 |
| 2020 | 354 | 275 | 77.7 |
| $2017-2020$ | 1413 | 1085 | 76.8 |


|  | Graduates <br> (n) | Respondents <br> (n) | Response rate (\%) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Department of Biosciences and Nutrition (BioNut) | 26 | 23 | 88.5 |
| Department of Cell and Molecular Biology (CMB) | 33 | 25 | 75.8 |
| Department of Clinical Neuroscience (CNS) | 126 | 97 | 77.0 |
| Department of Clinical Science and Education, Södersjukhuset (SöS) | 44 | 36 | 81.8 |
| Department of Clinical Science, Intervention and Technology (CLINTEC) | 97 | 70 | 72.2 |
| Department of Clinical Sciences, Danderyd Hospital (DS) | 38 | 24 | 63.2 |
| Department of Dental Medicine (DentMed) | 22 | 16 | 72.7 |
| Department of Global Public Health (GPH) | 43 | 36 | 83.7 |
| Department of Laboratory Medicine (LabMed) | 74 | 57 | 77.0 |
| Department of Learning, Informatics, Management and Ethics (LIME) | 48 | 38 | 79.2 |
| Department of Medical Biochemistry and Biophysics (MBB) | 44 | 36 | 81.8 |
| Department of Medical Epidemiology and Biostatistics (MEB) | 52 | 43 | 82.7 |
| Department of Medicine, Huddinge (MedH) | 64 | 55 | 85.9 |
| Department of Medicine, Solna (MedS) | 153 | 113 | 73.9 |
| Department of Microbiology, Tumor and Cell Biology (MTC) | 55 | 44 | 80.0 |
| Department of Molecular Medicine and Surgery (MMK) | 85 | 58 | 68,2 |
| Department of Neurobiology, Care Sciences and Society (NVS) | 92 | 70 | 76.1 |
| Department of Neuroscience (Neuro) | 54 | 45 | 83.3 |
| Department of Oncology-Pathology (OnkPat) | 73 | 54 | 74.0 |
| Department of Physiology and Pharmacology (FyFa) | 56 | 41 | 73.2 |
| Department of Women's and Children's Health (KBH) | 84 | 64 | 76.2 |
| Institute of Environmental Medicine (IMM) | 50 | 40 | 80.0 |
| Overall | 1413 | 1085 | 76.8 |

## Doctoral education and overall perception

## Overall, I am satisfied with my doctoral education at KI.



|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Disagree | $6(2.1)$ | $13(4.7)$ | $7(2.9)$ | $10(3.6)$ | $31(2.6)$ | $36(3.3)$ |
| Somewhat disagree | $24(8.4)$ | $31(11.2)$ | $17(6.9)$ | $15(5.5)$ | $71(6.0)$ | $87(8.0)$ |
| Somewhat agree | $68(23.7)$ | $72(25.9)$ | $73(29.8)$ | $83(30.2)$ | $369(31.3)$ | $296(27.3)$ |
| Agree | $189(65.9)$ | $162(58.3)$ | $148(60.4)$ | $167(60.7)$ | $709(60.1)$ | $666(61.4)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1180 | 1085 |

I would recommend KI to prospective doctoral students.


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Disagree | $6(2.1)$ | $10(3.6)$ | $6(2.4)$ | $5(1.8)$ | $27(2.3)$ | $27(2.5)$ |
| Somewhat disagree | $21(7.3)$ | $21(7.6)$ | $19(7.8)$ | $19(6.9)$ | $58(4.9)$ | $80(7.4)$ |
| Somewhat agree | $69(24.0)$ | $82(29.5)$ | $60(24.5)$ | $61(22.2)$ | $307(26.0)$ | $272(25.1)$ |
| Agree | $191(66.6)$ | $165(59.4)$ | $160(65.3)$ | $190(69.1)$ | $788(66.8)$ | $706(65.1)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1180 | 1085 |

## Examination objectives

## For each of the examination objectives for doctoral degree, please indicate to what extent the objective has been achieved: ${ }^{1}$

## Knowledge and understanding

Broad knowledge and systematic understanding of the research field as well as advanced and up-to-date specialised knowledge in a limited area of this field. ${ }^{2}$


Familiarity with research methodology in general and the methods of the specific field of research in particular. ${ }^{3}$


[^0]
## Competence and skills

Capacity for scholarly analysis and synthesis as well as to review and assess new and complex phenomena, issues and situations autonomously and critically. ${ }^{1}$


Ability to critically, autonomously, creatively and with scientific precision identify and formulate issues (frågeställningar), and ability to plan, and through the use of appropriate methods, undertake research and other qualified tasks within predetermined time frames, and to review and evaluate such work. ${ }^{2}$


[^1]Ability to contribute significantly to the development of knowledge through own research. ${ }^{1}$


Ability in both national and international contexts to present and discuss research and research findings authoritatively in speech and writing and in dialogue with the academic community and society in general. ${ }^{2}$


[^2]Ability to identify the need for further knowledge. ${ }^{1}$


Capacity to contribute to social development and support the learning of others through both research and education and in other qualified professional context. ${ }^{1}$


[^3]
## Judgement and approach

Intellectual autonomy and disciplinary rectitude (vetenskaplig redlighet) as well as the ability to make assessments of research ethics. ${ }^{1}$


Specialised insight into the possibilities and limitations of research, its role in society and the responsibility of the individual for how it is used. ${ }^{1}$


[^4]
## Aggregated mean scores for 2020 data



Q1. Broad knowledge and systematic understanding of the research field as well as advanced and up-to-date specialised knowledge in a limited area of this field.

Q2. Familiarity with research methodology in general and the methods of the specific field of research in particular.

Q3. Capacity for scholarly analysis and synthesis as well as to review and assess new and complex phenomena, issues and situations autonomously and critically.

Q4. Ability to critically, autonomously, creatively and with scientific precision identify and formulate issues, and ability to plan, and through the use of appropriate methods, undertake research and other qualified tasks within predetermined time frames, and to review and evaluate such work.

Q5. Ability to contribute significantly to the development of knowledge through own research.
Q6. Ability in both national and international contexts to present and discuss research and research findings authoritatively in speech and writing and in dialogue with the academic community and society in general.

Q7. Ability to identify the need for further knowledge.
Q8. Capacity to contribute to social development and support the learning of others through both research and education and in other qualified professional context.

Q9. Intellectual autonomy and disciplinary rectitude (vetenskaplig redlighet) as well as the ability to make assessments of research ethics.

Q10. Specialised insight into the possibilities and limitations of research, its role in society and the responsibility of the individual for how it is used.

Supervision

I would recommend my principal supervisor to prospective doctoral students.


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Disagree | $20(7.0)$ | $35(12.6)$ | $26(10.6)$ | $18(6.5)$ | $121(10.2)$ | $99(9.1)$ |
| Somewhat disagree | $28(9.8)$ | $29(10.4)$ | $21(8.6)$ | $35(12.7)$ | $115(9.7)$ | $113(10.4)$ |
| Somewhat agree | $59(20.6)$ | $62(22.3)$ | $52(21.2)$ | $50(18.2)$ | $284(24.0)$ | $223(20.6)$ |
| Agree | $180(62.7)$ | $152(54.7)$ | $146(59.6)$ | $172(62.5)$ | $661(56.0)$ | $650(59,9)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1181 | 1085 |

## Gender of my principal supervisor: ${ }^{1}$



|  | Frequency (\%) |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2020 | $2013-2016$ |
| Female | $114(41.5)$ | $472(40.0)$ |
| Male | $147(53.5)$ | $709(60.0)$ |
| I don't want to share this information $^{1}$ | $14(5.1)$ | - |
| Number of answers | 275 | 1181 |

[^5][^6]From whom have you in practice received the most supervision?


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Principal supervisor | $210(73.2)$ | $191(68.7)$ | $173(70.6)$ | $203(73.8)$ | $805(68.2)$ | $777(71.6)$ |
| Co-supervisor | $46(16.0)$ | $51(18.3)$ | $46(18.8)$ | $47(17.1)$ | $264(22.4)$ | $190(17.5)$ |
| Someone else within the research group | $22(7.7)$ | $18(6.5)$ | $15(6.1)$ | $17(6.2)$ | $42(3.6)$ | $72(6.6)$ |
| Someone else outside the research group | $9(3.1)$ | $18(6.5)$ | $11(4.5)$ | $8(2.9)$ | $30(2.5)$ | $46(4.2)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | $1181^{\text {a }}$ | 1085 |

I have received adequate supervision.


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Disagree | $18(6.3)$ | $29(10.4)$ | $19(7.8)$ | $15(5.5)$ | $84(7.1)$ | $81(7.5)$ |
| Somewhat disagree | $32(11.1)$ | $35(12.6)$ | $24(9.8)$ | $32(11.6)$ | $131(11.1)$ | $123(11.3)$ |
| Somewhat agree | $66(23.0)$ | $55(19.8)$ | $70(28.6)$ | $58(21.1)$ | $327(27.7)$ | $249(22.9)$ |
| Agree | $171(59.6)$ | $159(57.2)$ | $132(53.9)$ | $170(61.8)$ | $639(54.1)$ | $632(58.2)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1181 | 1085 |

## To what extent have your supervisors displayed interest in your doctoral education?



|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Not at all/To a very small extent | $8(2.8)$ | $12(4.3)$ | $7(2.9)$ | $5(1.8)$ | $37(3.1)$ | $32(2.9)$ |
| To a small extent | $22(7.7)$ | $24(8.6)$ | $16(6.5)$ | $20(7.3)$ | $82(6.9)$ | $829(7.6)$ |
| To some extent | $61(21.3)$ | $63(22.7)$ | $69(28.2)$ | $57(20.7)$ | $338(28.6)$ | $250(23.0)$ |
| To a great extent/Completely | $196(68.3)$ | $179(64.4)$ | $153(62.4)$ | $193(70.2)$ | $724(61.3)$ | $721(66.5)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1181 | 1085 |

To what extent have your supervisors discussed methodological issues with you?


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Not at all/To a very small extent | $9(3.1)$ | $11(4.0)$ | $6(2.4)$ | $7(2.5)$ | $47(4.0)$ | $33(2.0)$ |
| To a small extent | $35(12.2)$ | $40(14.4)$ | $33(13.5)$ | $18(6.5)$ | $130(11.0)$ | $126(11.6)$ |
| To some extent | $83(28.9)$ | $74(26.6)$ | $57(23.3)$ | $84(30.5)$ | $383(32.4)$ | $298(27.5)$ |
| To a great extent/Completely | $160(55.7)$ | $153(55.0)$ | $149(60.8)$ | $166(60.4)$ | $621(52.6)$ | $628(57.9)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1181 | 1085 |

To what extent have your supervisors discussed theory with you?


|  |  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Not at all/To a very small extent | $9(3.1)$ | $18(6.5)$ | $11(4.5)$ | $12(4.4)$ | $38(4.8)$ | $50(4.6)$ |
| To a small extent | $50(17.4)$ | $51(18.3)$ | $46(18.8)$ | $43(15.6)$ | $136(17.1)$ | $190(17.5)$ |
| To some extent | $102(35.5)$ | $94(33.8)$ | $71(29.0)$ | $79(28.7)$ | $295(37.0)$ | $346(31.9)$ |
| To a great extent/Completely | $126(43.9)$ | $115(41.4)$ | $117(47.8)$ | $141(51.3)$ | $328(41.2)$ | $499(46.0)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | $797^{\text {a }}$ | 1085 |

[^7]To what extent have your supervisors provided constructive criticism of your research?


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Not at all/To a very small extent | $7(2.4)$ | $12(4.3)$ | $8(3.3)$ | $6(2.2)$ | $69(5.3)$ | $33(3.0)$ |
| To a small extent | $26(9.1)$ | $35(12.6)$ | $27(11.0)$ | $30(10.9)$ | $130(11.0)$ | $118(10.9)$ |
| To some extent | $91(31.7)$ | $78(28.1)$ | $67(27.3)$ | $70(25.5)$ | $333(28.2)$ | $306(28.2)$ |
| To a great extent/Completely | $163(56.8)$ | $153(55.0)$ | $143(58.4)$ | $169(61.5)$ | $655(55.5)$ | $628(57.9)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1181 | 1085 |

To what extent have your supervisors discussed your plans for the future with you?


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Not at all/To a very small extent | $42(14.6)$ | $44(15.8)$ | $31(12.7)$ | $32(11.6)$ | $176(14.9)$ | $149(13.7)$ |
| To a small extent | $53(18.5)$ | $40(14.4)$ | $43(17.6)$ | $53(19.3)$ | $212(18.0)$ | $189(17.4)$ |
| To some extent | $87(30.3)$ | $93(33.5)$ | $80(32.7)$ | $77(28.0)$ | $399(33.8)$ | $337(31.1)$ |
| To a great extent/Completely | $105(36.6)$ | $101(36.3)$ | $91(37.1)$ | $113(41.1)$ | $394(33.4)$ | $410(37.8)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1181 | 1085 |

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Has there been any follow-up of your individual study plan during your doctoral education ('årlig uppföljning')?


|  |  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Yes, and I am satisfied with the follow- <br> up | $218(76.0)$ | $201(72.3)$ | $179(73.1)$ | $211(76.7)$ | $848(71.8)$ | $809(74.6)$ |
| Yes, but I am not satisfied with the <br> follow-up | $47(16.4)$ | $51(18.3)$ | $42(17.1)$ | $43(15.6)$ | $209(17.7)$ | $183(16.9)$ |
| No | $17(5.9)$ | $24(8.6)$ | $21(8.6)$ | $21(7.6)$ | $103(8.7)$ | $83(7.6)$ |
| Not applicable ${ }^{1}$ | $5(1.7)$ | $2(0.7)$ | $3(1.2)$ | - | $18(1.5)$ | $10(0.9)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1178 | 1085 |

[^8]
## Courses, Programmes, Research schools and Teaching

Regarding general science courses: How well do the following statements describe the courses? ${ }^{1}$
a. The quality of the general science courses was consistently high


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Not at all | $14(4.9)$ | $10(3.6)$ | $14(5.7)$ | $12(4.4)$ | $69(5.8)$ | $50(4.6)$ |
| Slightly | $54(18.8)$ | $40(14.4)$ | $44(18.0)$ | $36(13.1)$ | $175(14.8)$ | $174(16.0)$ |
| Quite well | $144(50.2)$ | $138(49.6)$ | $115(46.9)$ | $146(53.1)$ | $602(51.0)$ | $543(50.0)$ |
| Very well | $75(26.1)$ | $90(32.4)$ | $72(29.4)$ | $81(29.5)$ | $334(28.3)$ | $318(29.3)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1180 | 1085 |

[^9]b. The general science courses were relevant to my thesis work


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Not at all | $10(3.5)$ | $5(1.8)$ | $3(1.2)$ | $9(3.3)$ | $38(3.2)$ | $27(2.5)$ |
| Slightly | $65(22.6)$ | $47(16.9)$ | $52(21.2)$ | $43(15.6)$ | $205(17.4)$ | $207(19.1)$ |
| Quite well | $136(47.4)$ | $141(50.7)$ | $111(45.3)$ | $130(47.3)$ | $538(45.6)$ | $518(47.7)$ |
| Very well | $76(26.5)$ | $85(30.6)$ | $79(32.2)$ | $93(33.8)$ | $399(33.8)$ | $333(30.7)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1180 | 1085 |

c. The general science courses offered fitted in with my wishes and needs


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Not at all | $15(5.2)$ | $13(4.7)$ | $11(4.5)$ | $12(4.4)$ | $65(5.5)$ | $51(4.7)$ |
| Slightly | $67(23.3)$ | $55(19.8)$ | $70(28.6)$ | $60(21.8)$ | $277(23.5)$ | $252(23.2)$ |
| Quite well | $142(49.5)$ | $136(48.9)$ | $100(40.8)$ | $125(45.5)$ | $527(44.7)$ | $503(46.4)$ |
| Very well | $63(22.0)$ | $74(26.6)$ | $64(26.1)$ | $78(28.4)$ | $311(26.4)$ | $279(25.7)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1180 | 1085 |

## Regarding project-specific courses: How well do the following statements describe the courses?,1

a. The quality of the project-specific courses was consistently high


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2014-2016^{1}$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Not at all | $10(3.5)$ | $9(3.2)$ | $4(1.6)$ | $8(2.9)$ | $24(2.8)$ | $31(2.9)$ |
| Slightly | $34(11.8)$ | $25(9.0)$ | $37(15.1)$ | $24(8.7)$ | $105(12.1)$ | $120(11.1)$ |
| Quite well | $152(53.0)$ | $141(50.7)$ | $119(48.6)$ | $141(51.3)$ | $450(51.7)$ | $553(51.0)$ |
| Very well | $91(31.7)$ | $103(37.1)$ | $85(34.7)$ | $102(37.1)$ | $292(33.5)$ | $381(35.1)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 871 | 1085 |

[^10][^11]
## b. The project-specific courses were relevant to my thesis work



|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2014-2016^{1}$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Not at all | $8(2.8)$ | $4(1.4)$ | $5(2.0)$ | $5(1.8)$ | $12(1.4)$ | $22(2.0)$ |
| Slightly | $46(16.0)$ | $36(12.9)$ | $37(15.1)$ | $44(16.0)$ | $130(14.9)$ | $163(15.0)$ |
| Quite well | $142(49.5)$ | $144(51.8)$ | $111(45.3)$ | $127(46.2)$ | $432(49.6)$ | $524(48.3)$ |
| Very well | $91(31.7)$ | $94(33.8)$ | $92(37.6)$ | $99(36.0)$ | $297(34.1)$ | $376(34.7)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 871 | 1085 |

[^12]c. The project-specific courses offered fitted in with my wishes and needs


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2014-2016^{1}$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Not at all | $11(3.8)$ | $7(2.5)$ | $7(2.9)$ | $9(3.3)$ | $23(2.6)$ | $34(3.1)$ |
| Slightly | $55(19.2)$ | $46(16.5)$ | $50(20.4)$ | $40(14.5)$ | $160(18.4)$ | $191(17.6)$ |
| Quite well | $146(50.9)$ | $142(51.1)$ | $107(43.7)$ | $145(52.7)$ | $435(49.9)$ | $540(49.8)$ |
| Very well | $75(26.1)$ | $83(29.9)$ | $81(33.1)$ | $81(29.5)$ | $253(29.0)$ | $320(29.5)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 871 | 1085 |

[^13]Within which programme(s) have you taken part in of courses and/or other activities?
The respondents could choose more than one response option.

| Response | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  | Frequency (\%) |  | Frequency |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2013 ${ }^{1}$-2016 |  | 2017-2020 |  |
| Allergy, immunology and inflammation | 50 (11.2) | 45 (10.0) | 47 (11.7) | 41 (9.5) | 156 (9.3) | 12.2 | 183 (10.6) | 12.8 |
| Biology of infections and global health (or "World health" or "Infection biologv") | 17 (3.8) | 17 (3.8) | 12 (3.0) | 16 (3.7) | 79 (4.7) | 6.2 | 62 (3.6) | 4.3 |
| Cardiovascular research | 10 (2.2) | 20 (4.4) | 20 (5.0) | 20 (4.6) | 72 (4.3) | 5.6 | 70 (4.0) | 4.9 |
| Cell biology and genetics | 40 (8.9) | 34 (7.6) | 37 (9.2) | 39 (9.0) | 149 (8.9) | 11.6 | 150 (8.7) | 10.5 |
| Development and regeneration (or "Development biology and cellular signalling (DECS)" or | 20 (4.5) | 28 (6.2) | 16 (4.0) | 18 (4.2) | 53 (3.2) | 4.1 | 82 (4.7) | (5.7) |
| Environmental factors and health | 4 (0.9) | 12 (2.7) | 9 (2.2) | 4 (0.9) | 36 (2.1) | 2.8 | 29 (1.7) | (2.0) |
| Epidemiology | 76 (17.0) | 78 (17.3) | 71 (17.7) | 70 (16.2) | 273 (16.3) | 21.3 | 295 (17.0) | (20.6) |
| Health care sciences | 26 (5.8) | 27 (6.0) | 27 (6.7) | 31 (7.2) | 88 (5.2) | 6.9 | 111 (6.5) | (7.8) |
| Metabolism and endocrinology | 24 (5.4) | 18 (4.0) | 16 (4.0) | 19 (4.4) | 49 (2.9) | 3.8 | 77 (4.4) | (5.4) |
| Neuroscience (or "Hearing, otolaryngology, language and speech (HÖST)") | 42 (9.4) | 22 (4.9) | 25 (6.2) | 29 (6.7) | 110 (6.6) | 8.6 | 118 (6.8) | (8.2) |
| Public health science | 23 (5.1) | 31(6.9) | 22 (5.5) | 23 (5.3) | 69 (4.1) | 5.4 | 99 (5.7) | (6.9) |
| Tumor biology and oncology | 35 (7.8) | 41 (9.1) | 38 (9.5) | 41 (9.5) | 146 (8.7) | 11.4 | 155 (8.9) | (10.8) |
| None | 81 (18.1) | 77 (17.1) | 62 (15.4) | 81 (18.8) | 397 (23.6) | - | 301 (17.4) | - |
| Number of answers | 448 | 450 | 402 | 432 | 1679 | 1282 | 1732 | 1431 |

${ }^{1}$ In 2013 respondents could only choose one response option.

Have you taken part in courses and/or activities within a research school ('forskarskola')?


|  |  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Yes | $74(25.8)$ | $70(25.2)$ | $74(30.2)$ | $78(28.4)$ | $253(21.4)$ | $296(27.3)$ |
| No | $213(74.2)$ | $208(74.8)$ | $171(69.8)$ | $197(71.6)$ | $927(78.6)$ | $789(72.7)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1180 | 1085 |

Have you taken part in any teacher training?


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Yes | $84(29.3)$ | $80(28.8)$ | $64(26.1)$ | $74(26.9)$ | $420(35.6)$ | $302(27.8)$ |
| No | $203(70.7)$ | $198(71.2)$ | $181(73.9)$ | $201(73.1)$ | $760(64.4)$ | $783(72.2)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1180 | 1085 |

## Estimate how much teaching (\%) you did during your entire doctoral education 0-100(\%) of full-time.

The students stated their estimation, and which were aggregated into categories.


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2017-2020 \mathrm{a}$ |
| $0 \%$ | $21(7.3)$ | $24(8.6)$ | $24(9.8)$ | $18(6.5)$ | $87(8.0)$ |
| $1-10 \%$ | $136(47.4)$ | $140(50.4)$ | $115(46.9)$ | $135(49.1)$ | $526(48.5)$ |
| $11-20 \%$ | $68(23.7)$ | $55(19.8)$ | $61(24.9)$ | $60(21.8)$ | $244(22.5)$ |
| $>21 \%$ | $62(21.6)$ | $59(21.2)$ | $45(18.4)$ | $62(22.5)$ | $228(21.0)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1085 |

[^14]
## Information and Administrative Support

I received good introduction / information from the department when I started my doctoral education.


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Disagree | $28(9.8)$ | $28(10.1)$ | $12(4.9)$ | $15(5.5)$ | $149(12.6)$ | $83(7.6)$ |
| Somewhat disagree | $49(17.1)$ | $52(18.7)$ | $54(22.0)$ | $35(12.7)$ | $238(20.2)$ | $190(17.5)$ |
| Somewhat agree | $109(38.0)$ | $93(33.5)$ | $85(34.7)$ | $94(34.2)$ | $451(38.2)$ | $381(35.1)$ |
| Agree | $101(35.2)$ | $105(37.8)$ | $94(38.4)$ | $131(47.6)$ | $343(29.0)$ | $431(39.7)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1181 | 1085 |

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I received adequate administrative support from the departmental administrators during my doctoral education.


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Disagree | $8(2.8)$ | $8(2.9)$ | $5(2.0)$ | $4(1.5)$ | $32(2.7)$ | $25(2.3)$ |
| Somewhat disagree | $20(7.0)$ | $19(6.8)$ | $11(4.5)$ | $15(5.5)$ | $94(8.0)$ | $65(6.0)$ |
| Somewhat agree | $49(17.1)$ | $52(18.7)$ | $52(21.2)$ | $40(14.5)$ | $285(24.1)$ | $193(17.8)$ |
| Agree | $206(71.8)$ | $195(70.1)$ | $174(71.0)$ | $214(77.8)$ | $756(64.0)$ | $789(72.7)$ |
| I didn't need administrative support | $4(1.4)$ | $4(1.4)$ | $3(1.2)$ | $2(0.7)$ | $14(1.2)$ | $13(1.2)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1181 | 1085 |

I received adequate assistance from the departmental director of doctoral studies during my doctoral education.


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Disagree | $10(3.5)$ | $9(3.2)$ | $9(3.7)$ | $10(3.6)$ | $45(3.8)$ | $38(3.5)$ |
| Somewhat disagree | $15(5.2)$ | $16(5.8)$ | $19(7.8)$ | $10(3.6)$ | $87(7.4)$ | $60(5.5)$ |
| Somewhat agree | $61(21.3)$ | $67(24.1)$ | $56(22.9)$ | $54(19.6)$ | $323(27.3)$ | $238(21.9)$ |
| Agree | $155(54.0)$ | $149(53.6)$ | $122(49.8)$ | $172(62.5)$ | $623(52.8)$ | $598(55.1)$ |
| I didn't need assistance | $46(16.0)$ | $37(13.3)$ | $39(15.9)$ | $29(10.5)$ | $103(8.7)$ | $151(13.9)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1181 | 1085 |

## Working Environment

I enjoyed a good working environment within my research group.


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Disagree | $14(4.9)$ | $24(8.6)$ | $17(6.9)$ | $11(4.0)$ | $71(6.0)$ | $66(6.1)$ |
| Somewhat disagree | $22(7.7)$ | $30(10.8)$ | $20(8.2)$ | $19(6.9)$ | $98(8.3)$ | $91(8.4)$ |
| Somewhat agree | $62(21.6)$ | $72(25.9)$ | $48(19.6)$ | $63(22.9)$ | $350(29.7)$ | $245(22.6)$ |
| Agree | $189(65.9)$ | $152(54.7)$ | $149(60.8)$ | $171(62.2)$ | $660(56.0)$ | $661(60.9)$ |
| I dont know/I don't want to reply ${ }^{1}$ | - | - | $11(4.5)$ | $11(4.0)$ | - | $22(2.0)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1179 | 1085 |

[^15]
## During your doctoral education, have you noticed or experienced unequal treatment, discrimination, degrading behaviour and/or harassment:

1. due to gender
2. due to age
3. due to ethnicity
4. due to sexual orientation
5. due to transgender identity or expression
6. due to religious background or other beliefs
7. due to disability
8. other

The response options were for each of the eight questions: No; Yes, I have noticed; Yes, I have experienced; Yes, I have both noticed and experienced.

Results below are displayed as percentage of respondents answering whether if they had experienced any of the above mentioned.

| Response | Frequency in percentage ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2013-2016 | 2017-2020 |
|  | $\mathrm{n}=287$ | $\mathrm{n}=276$ | $\mathrm{n}=241$ | $\mathrm{n}=271$ | $\mathrm{n}=1137$ | $\mathrm{n}=1075$ |
| Yes, I have experienced/ Yes, I have noticed and experienced | 13.2\% | 18.5\% | 16.2\% | 14.8\% | 15.8\% | 15.6\% |

${ }^{1}$ Relative frequency calculated from number of individuals regardless if they replied affirmative to more than one of the eight sub-questions.

Respondents 2017-2020 answering affirmative (have experienced) with regards to the sub-questions


## If yes, by whom?



Response


Response

|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Fellow PhD students | $25(20.5)$ | $23(16.7)$ | $17(18.7)$ | $13(14.9)$ | $58(14.8)$ | $78(17.8)$ |
| Undergraduate students | $3(2.5)$ | $3(2.2)$ | $2(2.2)$ | $3(3.4)$ | $10(2.6)$ | $11(2.5)$ |
| Member of teaching staff | $9(7.4)$ | $14(10.1)$ | $7(7.7)$ | $6(6.9)$ | $30(7.7)$ | $36(8.2)$ |
| Supervisor(s) | $42(34.4)$ | $59(42.8)$ | $38(41.8)$ | $35(40.2)$ | $173(44.2)$ | $174(39.7)$ |
| Administrative staff | $8(6.6)$ | $7(5.1)$ | $4(4.4)$ | $4(4.6)$ | $25(6.4)$ | $23(5.3)$ |
| Other categories of people | $35(28.7)$ | $32(23.2)$ | $23(25.3)$ | $26(29.9)$ | $95(24.3)$ | $116(26.5)$ |
| Number of answers | 122 | 138 | 91 | 87 | 391 | 438 |

## If you experienced any of the above, did you contact anyone at KI regarding this?

If there has been more than one occasion you can tick both 'yes' and 'no'.

| Response | 2017 | 2018 | Frequency (\%) <br> 2019 | 2020 | 2017-2020a |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yes, I did, and I received <br> sufficient help | $8(10.0)$ | $10(10.6)$ | $11(15.5)$ | $11(16.9)$ | $40(12.9)$ |
| Yes, I did, but I did not <br> receive sufficient help | $7(8.3)$ | $9(9.6)$ | $5(7.0)$ | $2(3.1)$ | $23(7.4)$ |
| Yes, I did. I received some <br> help but not sufficient | $3(3.7)$ | $14(14.9)$ | $7(9.9)$ | $6(9.2)$ | $30(9.7)$ |
| No, I did not | $62(78.0)$ | $61(64.9)$ | $48(67.6)$ | $46(70.8)$ | $217(70.0)$ |
| Number of answers | 80 | 94 | 71 | 65 | 310 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ Because of reformatting of response option no comparison with 2013-2016 was possible.

## Other Information

Educational background before you began your doctoral education?


|  |  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Medicine | $119(41.5)$ | $108(38.8)$ | $90(36.7)$ | $127(46.2)$ | $520(44.9)$ | $444(40.9)$ |
| Care sciences | $19(6.6)$ | $19(6.8)$ | $18(7.3)$ | $18(6.5)$ | $94(8.1)$ | $74(6.8)$ |
| Natural sciences | $81(28.2)$ | $86(30.9)$ | $89(36.3)$ | $82(29.8)$ | $330(28.5)$ | $338(31.2)$ |
| Behavioural or Social sciences | $30(10.5)$ | $29(10.4)$ | $22(9.0)$ | $22(8.0)$ | $68(5.9)$ | $103(9.5)$ |
| Engineering | $21(7.3)$ | $13(4.7)$ | $10(4.1)$ | $10(3.6)$ | $65(5.6)$ | $54(5.0)$ |
| Other | $17(5.9)$ | $23(8.3)$ | $16(6.5)$ | $16(5.8)$ | $82(7.1)$ | $72(6.6)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1159 | 1085 |

## Were you active in research at KI before formal admission to doctoral education?

Please, do NOT include time in undergraduate or master courses.


|  |  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| No | $72(25.1)$ | $69(24.8)$ | $79(32.2)$ | $81(29.5)$ | $322(27.3)$ | $301(27.7)$ |
| Yes, 1-6 months | $82(28.6)$ | $90(32.4)$ | $73(29.8)$ | $87(31.6)$ | $252(21.3)$ | $332(30.6)$ |
| Yes, 7-12 months | $62(21.6)$ | $56(20.1)$ | $49(20.0)$ | $50(18.2)$ | $275(23.3)$ | $217(20.0)$ |
| Yes, 13-18 months | $27(9.4)$ | $28(10.1)$ | $18(7.3)$ | $18(6.5)$ | $118(10.0)$ | $91(8.4)$ |
| Yes, 19-24 months | $15(5.2)$ | $8(2.9)$ | $12(4.9)$ | $14(5.1)$ | $79(6.7)$ | $49(4.5)$ |
| Yes, more than 24 months | $29(10.1)$ | $27(9.7)$ | $14(5.7)$ | $25(9.1)$ | $135(11.4)$ | $95(8.8)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1181 | 1085 |

## Under which circumstances were you active in research before admission?



Due to substantial reformatting of response options in data from 2013-2016, these are displayed below but with corresponding colors of equivalent response options in 20182020 data.


|  |  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | $2017^{\mathrm{a}}$ | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2018-2020^{\mathrm{b}}$ |  |
| Employed by KI ('FoU praktikant' or <br> other employment) | - | $78(39.8)$ | $76(45.8)$ | $74(38.1)$ | $228(41.0)$ |  |
| Employed outside KI (for example by <br> the hospital) | - | $43(21.9)$ | $37(22.3)$ | $39(20.1)$ | $119(21.4)$ |  |
| Student |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Have you performed your doctoral education full-time?


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Yes | $288(65.5)$ | $182(65.5)$ | $159(64.9)$ | $162(58.9)$ | $636(53.9)$ | $691(63.7)$ |
| No | $99(34.5)$ | $96(34.5)$ | $86(35.1)$ | $113(41.1)$ | $545(46.1)$ | $394(36.3)$ |
| Number of answers | 287 | 278 | 245 | 275 | 1181 | 1085 |

## If not full-time, what did you combine your doctoral education with?

The respondents could choose more than one response option.


|  |  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Clinical work | $70(57.4)$ | $82(67.8)$ | $64(61.0)$ | $95(73.1)$ | $386(70.0)$ | $311(65.1)$ |
| Other $^{1}$ | $52(42.6)$ | $39(32.2)$ | $41(39.0)$ | $35(26.9)$ | $166(30.0)$ | $167(34.9)$ |
| Number of answers | 122 | 121 | 105 | 130 | 552 | 478 |

[^16]
## What do you plan to do after your PhD degree?

The respondents could choose more than one response option.



Response

|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | $2013-2016$ | $2017-2020$ |
| Post doc at KI | $113(24.7)$ | $84(19.7)$ | $79(20.3)$ | $86(20.0)$ | $354(22.1)$ | $362(21.3)$ |
| Post doc at another university in Sweden | $32(7.0)$ | $27(6.3)$ | $30(7.7)$ | $25(5.8)$ | $113(7.0)$ | $114(6.7)$ |
| Post doc abroad | $75(16.4)$ | $68(16.0)$ | $70(18.0)$ | $54(12.5)$ | $269(16.8)$ | $267(15.7)$ |
| Job in the private sector | $54(11.8)$ | $60(14.1)$ | $45(11.6)$ | $61(14.2)$ | $205(12.8)$ | $220(12.9)$ |
| Job in the public sector | $50(10.9)$ | $43(10.1)$ | $35(9.0)$ | $39(9.0)$ | $181(11.3)$ | $167(9.8)$ |
| Clinical work | $87(19.0)$ | $84(19.7)$ | $81(20.8)$ | $120(27.8)$ | $322(20.1)$ | $372(21.8)$ |
| I don't know | $19(4.2)$ | $33(7.7)$ | $27(6.9)$ | $26(6.0)$ | $83(5.2)$ | $105(6.2)$ |
| Other | $27(5.9)$ | $27(6.3)$ | $22(5.7)$ | $20(4.6)$ | $76(4.7)$ | $96(5.6)$ |
| Number of answers | 457 | 426 | 389 | 431 | $1603^{\text {a }}$ | 1703 |

[^17]
## Sub-analysis - Research school

## Overall, I am satisfied with my doctoral education. ${ }^{1}$



|  | Frequency (\%) <br> 2017-2020 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | RS $^{1}$ |  |  |
| Nisagree | $7(4.3)$ | $3(2.0)$ |  |
| Somewhat disagree | $7(4.3)$ | $13(8.7)$ |  |
| Somewhat agree | $46(28.4)$ | $34(22.8)$ |  |
| Agree | $102(63.0)$ | $99(66.4)$ |  |
| Number of answers | 162 | 149 |  |

[^18][^19]
## Sub-analysis - Research school

## Regarding general science courses: How well do the following statements describe the courses? ${ }^{1,2}$

a. The quality of the general science courses was consistently high


|  | Frequency (\%) <br> 2017-2020 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | RS $^{1}$ |  |  |
| Not at all | $3(1.9)$ | Non-RS ${ }^{2}$ |  |
| Sligthly | $11(6.8)$ | $16(10.7)$ |  |
| Quite well | $63(38.9)$ | $74(49.7)$ |  |
| Very well | $85(52.5)$ | $56(37.6)$ |  |
| Number of answers | 162 | 149 |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ RS = Participated in research schools |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{2}$ Non-RS = Not participated in research schools |  |  |  |

[^20]
## Sub-analysis - Research school

b. The general science courses were relevant to my thesis work ${ }^{1}$


|  | Frequency (\%) <br> 2017-2020 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | RS $^{1}$ |  |  |
| Not at all | $1(0.6)$ | $3(2.0)$ |  |
| Sligthly | $15(9.3)$ | $15(10.1)$ |  |
| Quite well | $62(38.3)$ | $67(45.0)$ |  |
| Very well | $84(51.9)$ | $64(43.0)$ |  |
| Number of answers | 162 | 149 |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ RS = Participated in research schools |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{2}$ Non-RS $=$ Not participated in research schools |  |  |  |

[^21]
## Sub-analysis - Research school

## Regarding project-specific courses: How well do the following statements describe the courses? ${ }^{1,2}$

a. The quality of the project-specific courses was consistently high


|  | Frequency (\%) <br> 2017-2020 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | RS $^{1}$ |  |  |
| Not at all | $3(1.9)$ | $6(4.0)$ |  |
| Sligthly | $13(8.0)$ | $17(11.4)$ |  |
| Quite well | $76(46.9)$ | $59(39.6)$ |  |
| Very well | $70(43.2)$ | $67(45.0)$ |  |
| Number of answers | 162 | 149 |  |

${ }^{1}$ RS = Participated in research schools
${ }^{2}$ Non-RS $=$ Not participated in research schools

[^22]
## Sub-analysis - Research school

## b. The project-specific courses were relevant to my thesis work ${ }^{1}$



|  | Frequency (\%) <br> 2017-2020 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | RS $^{1}$ |  |  |
| Not at all | $4(2.5)$ | Non-RS² $^{2}$ |  |
| Sligthly | $22(13.6)$ | $4(2.7)$ |  |
| Quite well | $78(48.1)$ | $59(39.6)$ |  |
| Very well | $58(35.8)$ | $68(45.9)$ |  |
| Number of answers | 162 | 149 |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ RS = Participated in research schools |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{2}$ Non-RS $=$ Not participated in research schools |  |  |  |

[^23]
## Sub-analysis - Gender of supervisor

I would recommend my principal supervisor to prospective doctoral students. ${ }^{1,2}$


|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | Female | Male | Female | Male |
|  | supervisor | supervisor | supervisor | supervisor |
| Disagree | $5(4.4)$ | $10(6.8)$ | $43(9.1)$ | $78(11.0)$ |
| Somewhat disagree | $11(9.6)$ | $18(12.2)$ | $47(10.0)$ | $68(9.6)$ |
| Somewhat agree | $23(20.2)$ | $26(17.7)$ | $121(25.6)$ | $163(23.0)$ |
| Agree | $75(65.8)$ | $93(63.3)$ | $261(55.3)$ | $400(56.4)$ |
| Number of answers | 114 | 147 | 472 | 709 |

[^24]
## Sub-analysis - Gender of supervisor

## To what extent have your supervisors displayed interest in your doctoral education? ${ }^{1}$



|  | 2020 |  |  | Frequency (\%) |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | Female | Male | Female | Male |  |
|  | supervisor | supervisor | supervisor | supervisor |  |
| Not at all/To a very small extent | $2(1.8)$ | $2(1.4)$ | $11(2.3)$ | $26(3.7)$ |  |
| To a small extent | $6(5.3)$ | $8(5.4)$ | $26(5.5)$ | $56(7.9)$ |  |
| To some extent | $16(14.0)$ | $38(25.9)$ | $124(26.3)$ | $214(30.2)$ |  |
| To a great extent/Completely | $90(78.9)$ | $99(67.3)$ | $311(65.9)$ | $413(58.3)$ |  |
| Number of answers | 114 | 147 | 472 | 709 |  |

[^25]
## Sub-analysis - Gender of supervisor

## To what extent have your supervisors discussed methodological issues with you? ${ }^{1}$



|  | 2020 |  |  | Frequency (\%) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | Female | Male | Female | Male |
|  | supervisor | supervisor | supervisor | supervisor |
| Not at all/To a very small extent | $2(1.8)$ | $3(2.0)$ | $13(2.8)$ | $34(4.8)$ |
| To a small extent | $5(4.4)$ | $10(6.8)$ | $55(11.7)$ | $75(10.6)$ |
| To some extent | $34(29.8)$ | $44(29.9)$ | $156(33.1)$ | $227(32.0)$ |
| To a great extent/Completely | $73(64.0)$ | $90(61.2)$ | $248(52.5)$ | $373(52.6)$ |
| Number of answers | 114 | 147 | 472 | 709 |

[^26]
## Sub-analysis - Gender of supervisor

To what extent have your supervisors discussed theory with you? ${ }^{1}$


|  | 2020 |  |  | Frequency (\%) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | Female | Male | Female | Male |
|  | supervisor | supervisor | supervisor | supervisor |
| Not at all/To a very small extent | $3(2.6)$ | $7(4.8)$ | $18(5.6)$ | $20(4.2)$ |
| To a small extent | $15(13.2)$ | $20(13.6)$ | $56(17.4)$ | $80(16.8)$ |
| To some extent | $35(30.7)$ | $42(28.6)$ | $122(37.9)$ | $173(36.4)$ |
| To a great extent/Completely | $61(53.5)$ | $78(53.1)$ | $126(39.1)$ | $202(42.5)$ |
| Number of answers | 114 | 147 | 472 | 475 |

[^27]
## Sub-analysis -Gender of supervisor

## To what extent have your supervisors provided constructive criticism of your research? ${ }^{1}$



| Response | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2020 |  | 2013-2016 |  |
|  | Female supervisor | Male supervisor | Female supervisor | Male supervisor |
| Not at all/To a very small extent | 3 (2.6) | 1 (0.7) | 23 (4.9) | 40 (5.6) |
| To a small extent | 7 (6.1) | 18 (12.2) | 48 (10.2) | 82 (11.6) |
| To some extent | 25 (21.9) | 41 (27.9) | 130 (27.5) | 203 (28.6) |
| To a great extent/Completely | 79 (69.3) | 87 (59.2) | 271 (57.4) | 384 (54.2) |
| Number of answers | 114 | 147 | 472 | 709 |

[^28]
## Sub-analysis - Gender of supervisor

## To what extent have your supervisors discussed your plans for the future with you? ${ }^{1}$



|  | 2020 |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Female | Male | Female | Male |
| Response | supervisor | supervisor | supervisor | supervisor |
| Not at all/To a very small extent | $8(7.0)$ | $20(13.6)$ | $74(15.7)$ | $102(14.4)$ |
| To a small extent | $20(17.5)$ | $26(17.7)$ | $77(16.3)$ | $135(19.0)$ |
| To some extent | $36(31.6)$ | $39(26.5)$ | $162(34.3)$ | $237(33.4)$ |
| To a great extent/Completely | $50(43.9)$ | $62(42.2)$ | $159(33.7)$ | $235(33.1)$ |
| Number of answers | 114 | 147 | 472 | 709 |

[^29]
## Sub-analysis - Gender of supervisor

## From whom have you in practice received the most supervision? ${ }^{1}$



| Response | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2020 |  | 2013-2016 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |
|  | Female supervisor | Male supervisor | Female supervisor | Male supervisor |
| Principal supervisor | 87 (76.3) | 110 (74.8) | 341 (74.1) | 464 (68.1) |
| Co-supervisor | 18 (15.8) | 23 (15.6) | 100 (21.7) | 164 (24.1) |
| Someone else within the research group | 6 (5.3) | 10 (6.8) | 9 (2.0) | 33 (4.8) |
| Someone else outside the research group | 3 (2.6) | 4 (2.7) | 10 (2.2) | 20 (2.9) |
| Number of answers | 114 | 147 | 460 | 681 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ In 2013 there was three additional response options: Post-Doc, Fellow Phd-student, Other

[^30]
## Sub-analysis - Gender of supervisor

## I enjoyed a good working environment within my research group. ${ }^{1}$



| Response | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2020 |  | 2013-2016 |  |
|  | Female supervisor | Male supervisor | Female supervisor | Male supervisor |
| Disagree | 5 (4.4) | 4 (2.7) | 26 (5.5) | 45 (6.3) |
| Somewhat disagree | 8 (7.0) | 8 (5.4) | 33 (7.0) | 65 (9.2) |
| Somewhat agree | 26 (22.8) | 34 (23.1) | 148 (31.5) | 202 (28.5) |
| Agree | 72 (63.2) | 94 (63.9) | 263 (56.0) | 397 (56.0) |
| I dont know/I don't want to reply ${ }^{1}$ | 3 (2.6) | 7 (4.8) | - | - |
| Number of answers | 114 | 147 | 470 | 709 |

${ }^{1}$ This response option was only available in 2019 and 2020.

[^31]
## Sub-analysis - Gender of supervisor

## Overall, I am satisfied with my doctoral education. ${ }^{1}$



|  | Frequency (\%) |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | Female | Male | Female | Male |
|  | supervisor | supervisor | supervisor | supervisor |
| sisagree | $4(3.5)$ | $4(2.7)$ | $7(1.5)$ | $24(3.4)$ |
| Somewhat disagree | $3(2.6)$ | $10(6.8)$ | $27(5.7)$ | $44(6.2)$ |
| Somewhat agree | $33(28.9)$ | $46(31.3)$ | $156(33.1)$ | $213(30.1)$ |
| Agree | $74(64.9)$ | $87(59.2)$ | $282(59.7)$ | $427(60.3)$ |
| Number of answers | 114 | 147 | 472 | 708 |

[^32]
## Sub-analysis - Supervision KID projects

I would recommend my principal supervisor to prospective doctoral students. ${ }^{1}$


|  | Frequency (\%) <br> 2017-2020 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Response | KID fund ${ }^{1}$ | No KID fund ${ }^{2}$ |
| Disagree | $29(11.3)$ | $40(10.0)$ |
| Somewhat disagree | $29(11.3)$ | $43(10.7)$ |
| Somewhat agree | $52(20.2)$ | $101(25.2)$ |
| Agree | $147(57.2)$ | $217(54.1)$ |
| Number of answers | 257 | 401 |
| ${ }^{1}$ KID-fund = Full-time KID funded PhD students |  |  |
| ${ }^{2}$ No KID-fund $=$ Full-time PhD students without KID funding |  |  |

[^33]
## Sub-analysis - Supervision KID projects

## To what extent have your supervisors displayed interest in your doctoral education? ${ }^{1}$



|  |  | Frequency (\%) <br> 2017-2020 <br> No KID fund |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Response | KID fund $^{1}$ | $11(2.7)$ |
| Not at all/To a very small extent | $13(5.1)$ | $31(7.7)$ |
| To a small extent | $21(8.2)$ | $94(23.4)$ |
| To some extent | $69(26.8)$ | $265(66.1)$ |
| To a great extent/Completely | $154(59.9)$ | 401 |
| Number of answers | 257 |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ KID-fund $=$ Full-time KID funded PhD students |  |  |
| ${ }^{2}$ No KID-fund = Full-time PhD students without KID funding |  |  |

[^34]
## Sub-analysis - Supervision KID projects

## To what extent have your supervisors discussed methodological issues with you? ${ }^{1}$



|  | Frequency (\%) <br> 2017-2020 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Response | KID fund ${ }^{1}$ |  |
| Not at all/To a very small extent | $8(3.1)$ | $15(3.7)$ |
| To a small extent |  |  |
| To some extent | $33(12.8)$ | $55(13.7)$ |
| To a great extent/Completely | $63(24.5)$ | $103(25.7)$ |
| Number of answers | $153(59.5)$ | $228(56.9)$ |
| ${ }^{1}$ KID-fund $=$ Full-time KID funded PhD students | 401 |  |
| ${ }^{2}$ No KID-fund = Full-time PhD students without KID funding |  |  |

[^35]
## Sub-analysis - Supervision KID projects

## To what extent have your supervisors discussed theory with you? ${ }^{1}$



|  | Frequency (\%) <br> 2017-2020 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Response | KID fund $^{1}$ | No KID fund ${ }^{2}$ |
| Not at all/To a very small extent | $12(4.7)$ | $27(6.7)$ |
| To a small extent | $41(16.0)$ | $80(20.0)$ |
| To some extent | $82(31.9)$ | $113(28.2)$ |
| To a great extent/Completely | $122(47.5)$ | $181(45.1)$ |
| Number of answers | 257 | 401 |
| ${ }^{1}$ KID-fund $=$ Full-time KID funded PhD students |  |  |
| ${ }^{2}$ No KID-fund $=$ Full-time PhD students without KID funding |  |  |

[^36]
## Sub-analysis - Supervision KID projects

## To what extent have your supervisors provided constructive criticism of your research? ${ }^{1}$



|  | Frequency (\%) <br> 2017-2020 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Response | KID fund ${ }^{1}$ | No KID fund $^{2}$ |
| Not at all/To a very small extent | $13(5.1)$ | $9(2.2)$ |
| To a small extent | $30(11.7)$ | $50(12.5)$ |
| To some extent | $67(26.1)$ | $129(32.2)$ |
| To a great extent/Completely | $147(57.2)$ | $213(53.1)$ |
| Number of answers | 257 | 401 |
| ${ }^{1}$ KID-fund = Full-time KID funded PhD students |  |  |
| ${ }^{2}$ No KID-fund = Full-time PhD students without KID funding |  |  |

[^37]
## Sub-analysis - Supervision KID projects

## To what extent have your supervisors discussed your plans for the future with you? ${ }^{1}$



|  | Frequency (\%) <br> 2017-2020 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Response | KID fund $^{1}$ | No KID fund $^{2}$ |
| Not at all/To a very small extent | $44(17.1)$ | $61(15.2)$ |
| To a small extent | $49(19.1)$ | $73(18.2)$ |
| To some extent | $71(27.6)$ | $118(29.4)$ |
| To a great extent/Completely | $93(36.2)$ | $149(37.2)$ |
| Number of answers | 257 | 401 |
| ${ }^{1}$ KID-fund $=$ Full-time KID funded PhD students |  |  |
| ${ }^{2}$ No KID-fund = Full-time PhD students without KID funding |  |  |

[^38]
## Sub-analysis - Supervision KID projects

## I enjoyed a good working environment within my research group. ${ }^{1}$



|  | Frequency (\%) <br> 2017-2020 |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Response | KID fund $^{1}$ | No KID fund ${ }^{2}$ |
| Disagree | $13(5.1)$ | $33(8.2)$ |
| Somewhat disagree | $24(9.3)$ | $35(8.7)$ |
| Somewhat agree | $57(22.2)$ | $91(22.7)$ |
| Agree | $160(62.3)$ | $239(59.6)$ |
| I dont know/I don't want to reply |  |  |
| Number of answers | $3(1.2)$ | $3(0.7)$ |

${ }^{1}$ KID-fund = Full-time KID funded PhD students
${ }^{2}$ No KID-fund = Full-time PhD students without KID funding
${ }^{3}$ This response option was only available in 2019 and 2020.

[^39]
## Sub-analysis - Supervision KID projects

## Overall, I am satisfied with my doctoral education. ${ }^{1}$



|  | Frequency (\%) <br> 2017-2020 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Response | KID fund $^{1}$ | No KID fund $^{2}$ |  |
| Disagree | $12(4.7)$ | $14(3.5)$ |  |
| Somewhat disagree | $17(6.6)$ | $36(9.0)$ |  |
| Somewhat agree | $67(26.1)$ | $119(29.7)$ |  |
| Agree | $161(62.6)$ | $232(57.9)$ |  |
| Number of answers | 257 | 401 |  |
| ${ }^{1}$ KID-fund = Full-time KID funded PhD students |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{2}$ No KID-fund = Full-time PhD students without KID funding |  |  |  |

[^40]
[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ This question has in previous aggregation reports not been reported. Due to heavily reformatting of the posed question 2020, only partial comparisons can be made. Caveat! Because of changes in phrasing, number and order of question, and size of samples care should be taken when contrasting.
    ${ }^{2} \mathrm{n}=275$
    ${ }^{3} \mathrm{n}=275$ (2020) and $\mathrm{n}=810$ (2017-2019)

[^1]:    ${ }^{1} \mathrm{n}=275$ (2020) and $\mathrm{n}=810$ (2017-2019)
    ${ }^{2} \mathrm{n}=275$

[^2]:    ${ }^{1} \mathrm{n}=275$ (2020) and $\mathrm{n}=810$ (2017-2019)
    ${ }^{2} \mathrm{n}=275$

[^3]:    ${ }^{1} \mathrm{n}=275(2020)$ and $\mathrm{n}=810(2017-2019)$

[^4]:    ${ }^{1} \mathrm{n}=275(2020)$ and $\mathrm{n}=810(2017-2019)$

[^5]:    ${ }^{1}$ Response option added in 2020

[^6]:    ${ }^{1}$ The question existed in the survey before 2017 but was missing in 2017-2019, however, it was reintroduced in 2020. Therefore, results from 2020 are presented in comparisons with the aggregated results from 2013-2016.

[^7]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Hence smaller number due to missing data for 2016. This question was by mistake left out in conjunction with the implementation of a new survey tool in September 2015 and was not corrected until after 2016.

[^8]:    ${ }^{1}$ Response option was removed in 2020 but is reported in the aggregated score.

[^9]:    ${ }^{1}$ General science courses ("allmänvetenskapliga kurser"); e.g. statistics, research ethics, scientific writing etc.

[^10]:    ${ }^{1}$ No data available from 2013.

[^11]:    ${ }^{1}$ Project-specific courses; all courses other than general science courses.

[^12]:    ${ }^{1}$ No data available from 2013.

[^13]:    ${ }^{1}$ No data available from 2013.

[^14]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Aggregated data only displayed from 2017-2020 as data from previous years were collected differently.

[^15]:    ${ }^{1}$ This response option was only available in 2019 and 2020.

[^16]:    ${ }^{1}$ Incorporating: Work within industry, Teaching, Other work, Parental leave, Studies

[^17]:    ${ }^{\text {a }} \mathrm{N}=1610$ stated in the 2013-2016 report due to additional response option in 2013 but adjusted in present report.

[^18]:    ${ }^{1}$ RS = Participated in research schools
    ${ }^{2}$ Non-RS $=$ Not participated in research schools

[^19]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered for comparison between clinical doctoral students who have been participating in research schools' activities and those who have not.

[^20]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered for comparison between clinical doctoral students who have been participating in research schools' activities and those who have not.
    ${ }^{2}$ General science courses ("allmänvetenskapliga kurser"); e.g. statistics, research ethics, scientific writing etc.

[^21]:    ${ }^{11}$ Data has been filtered for comparison between clinical doctoral students who have been participating in research schools' activities and those who have not.

[^22]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered for comparison between clinical doctoral students who have been participating in research schools' activities and those who have not.
    ${ }^{2}$ Project-specific courses; all courses other than general science courses.

[^23]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered for comparison between clinical doctoral students who have been participating in research schools' activities and those who have not.

[^24]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered and dichotomised with regards to gender of principal supervisor, thus examining differences in perception between doctoral students who had female vs. male supervisors.
    ${ }^{2}$ In 2020 the response option "I don't want to share this information" was also available but is not included here because of few responses.

[^25]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered and dichotomised with regards to gender of principal supervisor, thus examining differences in perception between doctoral students who had female vs. male supervisors.

[^26]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered and dichotomised with regards to gender of principal supervisor, thus examining differences in perception between doctoral students who had female vs. male supervisors.

[^27]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered and dichotomised with regards to gender of principal supervisor, thus examining differences in perception between doctoral students who had female vs. male supervisors.

[^28]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered and dichotomised with regards to gender of principal supervisor, thus examining differences in perception between doctoral students who had female vs. male supervisors.

[^29]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered and dichotomised with regards to gender of principal supervisor, thus examining differences in perception between doctoral students who had female vs. male supervisors.

[^30]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered and dichotomised with regards to gender of principal supervisor, thus examining differences in perception between doctoral students who had female vs. male supervisors.

[^31]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered and dichotomised with regards to gender of principal supervisor, thus examining differences in perception between doctoral students who had female vs. male supervisors.

[^32]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered and dichotomised with regards to gender of principal supervisor, thus examining differences in perception between doctoral students who had female vs. male supervisors.

[^33]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered to include only full-time PhDs students and dichotomised with regards to if doctoral education was funded by KID funds or not. For the dichotomization the response option "I don't know" ( $\mathrm{n}=33,4,8 \%$ ) was omitted.

[^34]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered to include only full-time PhDs students and dichotomised with regards to if doctoral education was funded by KID funds or not. For the dichotomization the response option "I don't know" ( $\mathrm{n}=33,4,8 \%$ ) was omitted.

[^35]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered to include only full-time PhDs students and dichotomised with regards to if doctoral education was funded by KID funds or not. For the dichotomization the response option "I don't know" ( $\mathrm{n}=33,4,8 \%$ ) was omitted.

[^36]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered to include only full-time PhDs students and dichotomised with regards to if doctoral education was funded by KID funds or not. For the dichotomization the response option "I don't know" ( $\mathrm{n}=33,4,8 \%$ ) was omitted.

[^37]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered to include only full-time PhDs students and dichotomised with regards to if doctoral education was funded by KID funds or not. For the dichotomization the response option "I don't know" ( $\mathrm{n}=33,4,8 \%$ ) was omitted.

[^38]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered to include only full-time PhDs students and dichotomised with regards to if doctoral education was funded by KID funds or not. For the dichotomization the response option "I don't know" ( $\mathrm{n}=33,4,8 \%$ ) was omitted.

[^39]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered to include only full-time PhDs students and dichotomised with regards to if doctoral education was funded by KID funds or not. For the dichotomization the response option "I don't know" ( $\mathrm{n}=33,4,8 \%$ ) was omitted.

[^40]:    ${ }^{1}$ Data has been filtered to include only full-time PhDs students and dichotomised with regards to if doctoral education was funded by KID funds or not. For the dichotomization the response option "I don't know" ( $\mathrm{n}=33,4,8 \%$ ) was omitted.

