Postdoctoral Opportunity

CANCER SURVEILLANCE BRANCH
CANCER RISK IN CHILDHOOD CANCER SURVIVORS

The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) conducts international collaborative research projects with focus on cancer prevention, in a multidisciplinary approach and international environment. The Cancer Surveillance Branch (CSU) ensures the provision of global cancer data and statistics for cancer control action worldwide.

A postdoctoral opportunity is available to analyse cancer occurrence in the population of survivors of childhood cancer and disseminate the findings. These activities will be conducted within the project “Cancer risk in childhood cancer survivors (CRI CCS): understanding the causes to target prevention”, funded by Children with Cancer UK and steered by an international consortium of experts in cancer registration, epidemiology, survivorship and clinical oncology.

The selected candidate will benefit from access to large databases, network of collaborators and knowledge related to childhood cancer occurrence and outcome available in the CSU. Under the supervision of Dr Eva Steliarova-Foucher, the selected candidate will have an opportunity to develop novel methodologies to quantify and characterize the risk of second primary neoplasms (SPN) in survivors in Europe and assess SPN risk according to treatment and predisposing characteristics in all countries with available data. The activities will include assisting in the management of large datasets, developing or applying suitable methodology, conducting statistical analyses, reporting on methods and communicating the results of the research in writing and orally.

Postdoctoral scientists at IARC have access to a wide spectrum of scientific disciplines and to a unique network of collaborators across the world. IARC welcomes around 60 postdoctoral scientists, at any one time. For more information about postdoctoral stays at IARC, please read the Postdoctoral charter here. For more information about IARC, please consult IARC’s Welcome Pack and ECVS Frequently Asked Questions.

The applicants are expected to hold a PhD in medical statistics, epidemiology or biostatistics, have experience with analysis of large databases, and a publication record. Experience with studies of incidence, risk, survival, survivorship or prevalence is also required. Programming skills in streamlining analytical processes and visualisation would be an asset.

The postdoctoral opportunity is available as of September 2024 for one year with a possibility of extension. The current IARC postdoctoral stipend is € 2,950 per month. The cost of travel for the successful candidate, and in certain circumstances for dependants, will be met. Dependence and health insurance allowances will be paid, if applicable.

An application should include a cover letter and curriculum vitae including full list of publications and contact details of two academic referees. Applications from nationals from low- and middle-income countries are particularly encouraged. Queries about the opportunity and applications should be sent to ccs@iarc.who.int.

Closing date for applications: 21 July 2024