Postdoctoral Opportunity

CANCER SURVEILLANCE BRANCH
IMPLEMENTATION RESEARCH TO SUPPORT REGISTRATION OF CANCER IN CHILDREN

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 conduct research studies in support of cancer registration practices in childhood populations. These studies are part of the ChildGICR programme, carried out in collaboration with the St Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

The selected candidate will have an opportunity to acquire varied research experience related to improvement of availability, quality and access to data on childhood cancer in low- and middle- income countries. Under the supervision of Dr Eva Steliarova-Foucher, the candidate will contribute to analysis of data collected by cancer registries, development of cancer registration standards, measurements of financial burden of childhood cancer on individual and population level, promotion of data use, and dissemination of generated knowledge. Training will involve travels to collect data. The postdoctoral scientist will thus obtain rich experience in population-based research, conducted in collaboration with multiple international partners and will get a significant exposure through publications, oral presentations and networking.

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.

To be considered, an applicant is expected to hold a medical degree or a PhD in medical statistics, epidemiology, biostatistics, health economics or other related discipline. Publication record is mandatory, as is experience in the cancer registration and population-based research. Skills in analysing large data sets is essential. Ample language and programming proficiency 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 and from nationals from low- and middle-income countries are particularly encouraged. Queries about the opportunity and applications can be sent to ccs@iarc.who.int.

Closing date for the applications: 21 July 2024.