

POSTDOCTORAL OPPORTUNITY - Improving Cervical Cancer Control in Europe EARLY DETECTION, PREVENTION AND INFECTIONS BRANCH (EPR)

The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) is a multi-disciplinary research institute based in Lyon, France. It is an independently funded institution, and a specialized cancer agency of the World Health Organisation. The particular focus of IARC is international collaborative research projects cutting across a wide range of disciplines including cancer epidemiology, aetiology, genomics, carcinogenesis, prevention and early detection.

The Early Detection, Prevention and Infections branch (EPR) aims to generate evidence on efficacy, effectiveness and programmatic implementation of different cancer prevention and early detection interventions. The branch also informs guidelines and policies in cancer control.

We are actively seeking a motivated postdoctoral scientist to join our team.

Research area

The current postdoctoral opportunity is in the field of implementation research related to improving the control of cervical cancer among the vulnerable women in Europe. The research study aims to (1) assess the barriers to access cervical cancer prevention by the vulnerable women, (2) evaluate preparedness of a country for introduction of interventions aimed at improving cervical cancer control, and (3) design, pilot and evaluate context-specific interventions to increase HPV vaccination and cervical cancer screening among vulnerable populations across European countries.

Activities

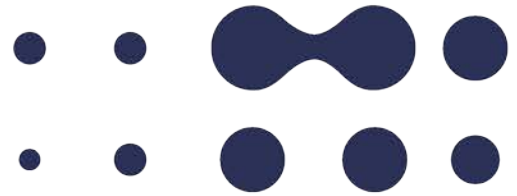
The selected candidate will be under the supervision of Dr Isabel Mosquera, Scientist, and will closely collaborate with other members of the team to enhance competencies in the following activities, among others:

- Assess capacity of cervical cancer prevention services in project sites
- Prepare protocols and data collection tools for implementation strategies
- Design mixed methodology studies to evaluate piloted strategies with implementation research outcomes
- Write scientific progress reports and manuscripts
- Present research findings at meetings and scientific conferences

Profile

The successful candidate will ideally have:

- a recently (i.e. less than 5 years) completed PhD or equivalent post-graduate degree or diploma in Public Health or a health-related area.
- appropriate training or demonstrated experience in implementation research, and/or in evaluation of cancer screening interventions.
- very good working knowledge of English.
- experience or training in qualitative research.
- training in a cancer-related field or vaccination.



The postdoctoral scientist will evolve in an innovative and scientifically stimulating environment and will have opportunities to interact and collaborate with colleagues from IARC and its worldwide networks.

The cost of travel for the postdoctoral scientist, and in certain circumstances for dependents, will be met. Dependence and health insurance allowances will be paid, if applicable. For more information about postdoctoral stays at IARC, please read the [Postdoctoral Charter](#).

IARC is committed to achieving [gender parity and geographical diversity in its member of Personnel](#). Applications from people with disabilities, and nationals of low- and middle-income countries are particularly encouraged. IARC currently has more than 340 personnel members from almost 60 countries. Postdoctoral scientists at IARC (about 60, at any point in time) have access to a wide spectrum of scientific disciplines and to a unique network of collaborators across the world.

Location: International Agency for Research on Cancer / World Health Organization, Lyon, France

Deadline for applications: 15 November 2024

Duration: 2 years, with possibility of renewal

Stipend: 2,950€ per month (net)

Contact and Required Documents: Applicants should send a motivation letter in English and a CV, including list of publications and a description of previous research experience, as well as the names and addresses of two academic referees, by email to: leducc@iarc.who.int (with the subject header: “**IARC Postdoctoral opportunity - Improving Cervical Cancer Control in Europe**”)

Interested candidates are invited to contact Dr Isabel Mosquera (mosquerai@iarc.who.int) for informal enquiries.

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