



Position Announcement

Post-Doctoral Training Fellowship (PDTF) position in East Africa

The Wellcome Trust funded consortium Afrique One-ASPIRE (African Science Partnership for Intervention Research Excellence) is seeking to appoint a Post-Doctoral Training Fellow (PDTF). He/she will coordinate and assist in scientific reviewing, the delivery of short courses and provide mentorship to African post graduate students and post-doctoral scientists in the subject area of ecosystem and population health, and participate in research activities that build-on and complement those of the consortium.

Afrique One-ASPIRE is a consortium developing research within the One Health framework, targeting zoonotic and emerging diseases and taking into account human, animal and environmental components to identify integrated solutions for elimination. The consortium comprises 7 core institutes in East and West Africa. Further details of the consortium can be found at www.afriqueoneaspire.net.

The PDTF will be responsible for the scheduling, logistic organization, and delivery of multi-day courses and summer schools in East Africa, together with some follow-up support. The position will be based in East Africa but it is anticipated that the PDTF might visit other institutes within the consortium in West and Central Africa to attend meetings and deliver courses. The PDTF will have opportunities to pursue their own research interests, ideally aligned to the goals of the consortium, and conducted in collaboration with members of the consortium. The position is funded for 6 months with the possibility to extend for another 2-4 years.

Responsibilities

- Provide tailor-made scientific support to individual fellows
- Review and provide feedback on fellows' draft papers
- Coach fellows in writing research proposals
- Provide guidance for fellows on identifying journals for publications
- Regularly updating fellows on funding opportunities
- Contribute to updating and delivering training modules built during the last 12 years of experience of the consortium
- Develop and deliver new training modules according to his/her skills
- Organize cohort training (short courses and summer schools)
- Identify training needs of trainees
- Identify and contact potential facilitators for the training
- Manage training budgets
- Plan logistics for trainees (e.g. travel, accommodation, meals, etc.)
- Write training reports
- Participate in raising funds for research focusing on One Health.

Requirements

- A PhD in biological sciences (disease research an added advantage)
- A reasonably broad range of quantitative skills
- Experience with mixed methods approaches
- Good track record of publications
- Experience of conducting research and/or teaching in Africa
- Ability to communicate effectively in English
- Good communication skills
- Demonstrable ability to attract research funding
- Demonstrable ability to develop web-based resources
- Ability to communicate in French is an advantage

Informal enquires can be made to Professor Bassirou Bonfoh (bassirou.bonfoh@csrs.ci) or Dr Aurélie Cailleau (a.cailleau@csrs.ci). **Applications comprising a full CV, the names of 3 referees, and a cover letter detailing relevant qualifications and experience should be submitted** to Professor Bassirou Bonfoh and copied to Dr Kathrin Heitz Tokpa (kathrin.heiz-tokpa@csrs.ci) and will be reviewed from January 21st 2022 until the position is filled. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.