Research scientist (80-100%)
Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine (ISPM)

The Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine (ISPM) of Bern performs research in a range of disciplines relevant to public health (www.ispm.unibe.ch). Groups cut across divisions, facilitating an interdisciplinary approach to research in the fields of clinical epidemiology, social and behavioral health, biostatistics, and international and environmental health. The ISPM is highly reputed for its expertise in health effects of environmental exposures, the spread of infectious disease, and the health of vulnerable groups including children and the elderly.

The HIV, Hepatitis and TB Research Group in partnership with the Cancer Research Group is looking for a highly motivated research scientist who will fulfill a dual role. The scientist will on one hand (up to 50%) develop and manage an implementation science study on differentiated HIV care delivery in Zimbabwe within a large international consortium (https://www.iedea-sa.org/). On the other hand, the scientist will support various epidemiological projects related to cancer among people living with HIV in Southern Africa. The successful candidate will conduct the projects in collaboration with other members of the two research groups in Bern and members of the IeDEA consortium in Southern Africa.

Duties and responsibilities:
- Development of research strategies and project goals in collaboration with local partners
- Supervision of data collection/data input;
- Data preparation and analysis with R or Stata;
- Project management in meeting milestones and deadlines;
- Writing scientific publications and presenting results at national and international conferences;
- Assistance in the coordination and implementation of international research stays in Southern Africa;
- Participation and contribution to the Institute’s activities (seminars, journal clubs, etc.);

Qualifications and skills:
- University degree (MSc in Epidemiology, Social Sciences, Public Health or comparable);
- Good statistical skills (using R, or Stata softwares);
- Experience in public health research and implementation science;
- Experience in International Cooperation, experiences in field work is an advantage;
- Proven project management skills (design, timeline, budget);
- Strong interest in applied research in the areas of health care delivery systems;
- Strong organisational skills, the ability to work efficiently, independently as well as in intercultural teams;
- Good verbal and written communication in German, excellent English language proficiency;
- Readiness for international travelling and field work in Southern African countries to support the local partners.

What we offer:
An international, multidisciplinary, and highly stimulating environment. Close collaboration with renowned experts in epidemiology, statistics, modelling, and public health. Support for career development and training. Flexible working hours. Centrally located and modern offices in a nice building.

The post starts in September 2022 earliest or upon availability and is for 2 years, with a possibility for extension. Please apply no later than: 30.07.2022

For further information on the position, please contact Dr. Per von Groote, per.vongroote@ispm.unibe.ch (HIV, Hepatitis and TB Research Group) or Dr. Eliane Rohner, eliane.rohner@ispm.unibe.ch (Cancer Research Group).

Please send your application (motivation letter, CV, publication list, certificates) in one PDF-file to hr@ispm.unibe.ch. Applications must be written in English.

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