

Pan-London Cancer Research Fellowships

We are offering exciting opportunities for medical and non-medical research fellows to undertake a 12-month research project. This has London-based support from Biomedical Research Centres, and three Cancer Alliances across London: RM Partners, UCLH Cancer Collaborative, and South East London Accountable Cancer Network (SEL ACN).

The pan-London research strategy focuses on areas of unmet need directly linked to new models of care initiated by the Cancer Alliances in London. There are four main work streams where there is an opportunity to deliver patient-based and clinically relevant research: early diagnosis and detection, living with and beyond cancer, cancer in older people, and applications of big data.

The posts are open to medical and non-medical professionals including: nurses, pharmacists, psychologists, health scientists and other allied health professionals (AHP).

Fellowship funding includes salary and running costs for 12 months with an aim to gain preliminary data and work on competitive applications to external funding bodies to fund continuation of the project into a higher degree.

Following an initial call to potential supervisors, 25 projects have been selected. We will be looking to **fund up to 6 research fellows for 2018-19.**

These projects are suitable for both medical and non-medical candidates:

- 1) **QuLIT – The Quit smoking Lung health Intervention Trial**
Dr Nick Hopkinson, Royal Brompton & Harefield NHS Foundation Trust
Email: n.hopkinson@ic.ac.uk

- 2) **Radiogenomics: Informing tumour heterogeneity in hepatocellular cancer**
Dr Rohini Sharma, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust
Email: r.sharma@imperial.ac.uk

- 3) **The acceptability of FIT test and patient experience when used as triaging tool in patients with suspected colorectal symptoms**
Mr Muti Abulafi & Professor Helen Ward, Croydon Health Services NHS Trust and Imperial College London
Email: muti.abulafi@nhs.net

- 4) **Frequency and impact of steroid induced hyperglycaemia in patients undergoing chemotherapy**

Dr Daniel Morganstein, The Royal Marsden Hospital NHS Foundation Trust and Chelsea and Westminster NHS Foundation Trust

Email: d.morganstein@ic.ac.uk

- 5) Predictors of hospitalisation in the last months of life for people with cancer: retrospective cohort study using linked data

Dr Katherine Sleeman, King's College London

Email: Katherine.sleeman@kcl.ac.uk

- 6) Immunotherapy and targeted therapy in metastatic melanoma: What quality of time are you buying?

Dr Olga Husson & Dr Heather Shaw, Institute of Cancer Research & University College London Hospital

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- 7) Metabolic and cardiovascular health, and treatment burden in older patients with prostate cancer

Dr Charlotte Westbury, The Hillingdon Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Email: c.westbury@nhs.net

- 8) Advanced radiotherapy techniques for treatment of older patients

Dr Alexandra Taylor, The Royal Marsden Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

Email: alexandra.taylor@rmh.nhs.uk

- 9) Understanding patterns and predictors of in-patient in brain-tumour specific Hospital Episode Statistics (HES) data across England

Dr Matthew Williams, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust

Email: Matthew.williams@imperial.ac.uk

- 10) Identifying cancer patients at high risk of emergency admissions: A pilot study

Dr Waqar Saleem, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust

Email: Waqar.saleem@nhs.net

- 11) Developing a brain tumour imaging dataset

Dr Matthew Williams, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust

Email: Matthew.williams@imperial.ac.uk

- 12) Achieving Best Outcomes at End-of-Life: A data linkage project between HES / ONS and Coordinate My Care

Prof Julia Riley, The Royal Marsden Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

Email: Julia.riley@rmh.nhs.uk

These projects are suitable for medical candidates only:

- 13) The assessment and management of Barrett's Oesophagus and Early Oesophageal cancer
Dr Jason Dunn & Mr Andrew Davies, Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust and King's College London
Email: Jason.dunn@gstt.nhs.uk , Andrew.davies1@gstt.nhs.uk
- 14) Defining "bad biology" - early risk stratification of patients with aggressive phenotype pancreatic cancer
Mr Mikael Sodergren, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust and Institute of Cancer Research Email: m.sodergren@imperial.ac.uk
- 15) Missed opportunities for a cancer diagnosis in patients age 15 to 39
Dr Michael Gonzalez, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust
Email: Ms Najma Ahmed, najma.ahmed@nhs.net
- 16) PRE-therapeutic MRI assessment of Early StagE Rectal Cancer and significant Rectal Polyps to aVoid major resectional surgery: A new approach to the management of Early stage rectal cancer – The PRESERVE Project
Prof Gina Brown and Mr Muti Abulafi, The Royal Marsden Hospital NHS Foundation Trust and Croydon Health Services NHS Trust
Email: Gina.Brown@rmh.nhs.uk
- 17) Problems and solutions for a delayed diagnosis in Colorectal cancer: a PRIORITIZE study
Mr Nikhil Pawa and Prof Azeem Majeed, Chelsea and Westminster NHS Foundation Trust and Imperial College London
Email: Npawa@nhs.net , nikhil.pawa@chelwest.nhs.uk
- 18) LINeAR PRICE: LINKing Academic Research and PRimary CarE for the early diagnosis of pancreatico-biliary cancers
Dr Chiara Braconi and Prof Steve Pereira , The Royal Marsden Hospital NHS Foundation Trust and University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Email: Chiara.braconi@icr.ac.uk
- 19) Assessing the experience and acceptability of a Palliative Care Referral "Triggers" Tool and Integrated Palliative Care Service
Dr Joanne Droney, The Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust
Email: joanne.droney@rmh.nhs.uk
- 20) Implementing the Promoting Individualised Self-Management for Myeloma Survivorship (PrISMS) clinic

Prof Kwee Yong and Dr Abigail Fisher, University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation

Trust and University College London

Email: Kwee.yong@ucl.ac.uk

21) The assessment of lymph node response to chemotherapy in oesophageal cancer

Mr Andrew Davies, Guy's and St Thomas' Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and King's
College London

Email: Andrew.davies1@gstt.nhs.uk

22) Prospective outcome of colonoscopic surveillance for familial risk of colorectal cancer

Prof Huw Thomas and Prof Peter Sasieni, Imperial College Health NHS Trust and King's
College London

Email: Huw.thomas@imperial.ac.uk

These projects are suitable for non-medical candidates only:

23) Assessing the acceptability and feasibility of a self-management support intervention for

cancer patients due to start chemotherapy: A mixed methods feasibility study

Dr Lallita Carballo and Dr Hilary Plant, University College London Hospitals NHS
Foundation Trust

Email: l.carballo@nhs.net , hilary.plant@nhs.net

24) The Prostate Cancer Prehabilitation Project

Dr Julia Murray, The Royal Marsden Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

Email: julia.murray@rmh.nhs.uk

25) Childhood cancer outcomes research linking national registry data to clinical trial

databases – a pilot project using childhood renal tumours as the exemplar

Prof Kathy Pritchard-Jones, UCLH Cancer Collaborative

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How to apply

- Identify the project that you would like to undertake.
- You must contact the supervisor of the project only by email and not by phone.
- Send your CV and a brief covering letter to the supervisor and please also copy your email to RMPartners.research@nhs.net

- You should contact the supervisor as soon as possible to allow time for your application to be considered.
- The supervisor will select one candidate for the available fellowship. Unfortunately because of the volume of applications we receive it will not be possible to contact all applicants. If you have not been contacted by 15th June 2018, please understand that your application has not been successful.
- If you are selected to make an application, the supervisor will contact you to confirm the next stage of the application process. You will be asked to complete the 'Joint Pan-London Research Training Fellowship' application form, which will be completed jointly with the supervisor. The deadline for full applications is **30th May 2018**.
- Shortlisted applicants will be asked to attend a panel interview week beginning 18th June 2018, date to be confirmed at a closer date.

Eligibility

For medical candidates, to be eligible for registration, candidates must have either:

- obtained the MB BS degrees of the University of London or some other registerable primary qualification in medicine, and be eligible for full registration or hold limited registration with the General Medical Council; or
- clinical experience relevant to the post.

In addition it is desirable for candidates to have both:

- research experience relevant to the post
- a national training number or be eligible for one

Applicants who are non-medical professionals who wish to obtain further research experience whilst also developing their clinical skills must be graduates from one of the following healthcare professions and hold registration with their relevant professional council, with at least one year's experience of professional, post-graduation, clinical practice at the point of application.

Examples of professional councils and AHPs include:

| Profession | Registration Body |
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| Nurse | Nursing and Midwifery Council |
| Midwife | |
| Pharmacist | General Pharmaceutical Council |

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| Dietician | Health and Care Professions Council |
| Occupational Therapist | |
| Physiotherapist | |
| Radiographer | |
| Speech and Language Therapist | |
| Biomedical or Clinical Scientists | |
| Practitioner Psychologist | British Psychological Society |
| Clinical Psychologist | |

For enquiries about the vacancy, shortlisting and interviews:

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