

Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine University of Cape Town, Cape Town, South Africa Postdoctoral Research Fellowship

The Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine (IDM) in the Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Cape Town, is pleased to announce a call for applications for an IDM Postdoctoral Research Fellowship award for 2016 and 2017. Funding for this Fellowship has been provided by the University Research Committee in recognition of the Institute's achievements over the last 5 years.

The details of the Fellowship are as follows:

- A 2-year Fellowship, awarded for one year and renewable for a second year, subject to satisfactory progress and the submission of an annual report.
- Fellowship valued at R205,000/year (no relocation expenses included), which may be supplemented by the Sponsor or by further awards up to the maximum allowed by UCT.
- An additional R35 000 is available annually for conference attendance and/or travel costs (R15 000 from the URC, R20 000 from the IDM). These funds cannot be used for project running costs.

Eligibility:

- Only open to historically disadvantaged South African citizens (Black African, Coloured or Indian).
- The applicant must be supervised or co-supervised by a Full or Associate Member of the IDM.
- The Sponsor/Supervisor must be willing and able to provide the necessary support for the Fellow's project for the entire duration of the Fellowship.
- Applicants must have no more than one year's Postdoctoral experience by 31 December 2015, have achieved their doctoral degree within the last 5 years, and may not have held any prior permanent academic or professional positions.
- Registration at UCT by March 2016 is preferred.

Selection criteria will include: (i) Demonstrated potential for research excellence, as evidenced by publications, conference presentations and other scholarly outputs (ii) Demonstrated ability to develop a research proposal in an area that aligns with the vision and mission of the IDM [http://www.idm.uct.ac.za/] (iii) Meets UCT approved policies, procedures and practices for the Postdoctoral sector.

In addition to participating in a variety of academic activities, the Fellow will be encouraged to contribute to the Transformation agenda of the IDM through participation in outreach or other programmes. The Fellow will also meet quarterly with Professor Valerie Mizrahi, Director of the IDM.

Applications should be sent to Dr. Heather Davies-Coleman (<u>Heather.davies-coleman@uct.ac.za</u>; +27(21)4047666) by **18 November 2015.** Applications must include a completed application form as attached, relevant academic transcripts, and full CV. The list of Members with whom prospective applicants may contact if seeking a Sponsor/Supervisor can be found here: <u>http://www.idm.uct.ac.za/member_list.htm</u>.

The University of Cape Town reserves the right to disqualify ineligible, incomplete and/or inappropriate applications; and to change the conditions of award or to make no award at all.