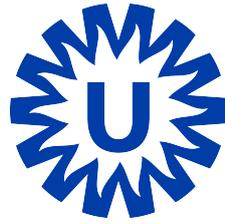




Universiteit Utrecht



UMC Utrecht

Postdoc position in environmental causes of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) (1.0 FTE)

Job description

We are looking for an enthusiastic **Epidemiologist/ Biostatistician** who will perform epidemiological analyses in the field of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS). ALS is a progressive, invariably fatal neurological disease of motor neurons. The applicant will work on data from the EUROMOTOR-project and the Prospective ALS study Netherlands (PAN)– These studies have provided large datasets including epidemiological, genetic and clinical data of several thousand ALS patients and matched controls. The work area of the applicant will focus on the epidemiological and biostatistical analyses of the data; devising new tools for data collection extending especially the data collection on exogenous risk factors; participation in the development of research proposals; providing methodological advice to the other members of the team; and participation in the writing of scientific papers and grant applications. The work will be a collaboration between the Department of Neurology at the UMCU and the Institute for Risk Assessment Sciences at Utrecht University. The successful candidate will work at both institutions both conveniently located at the Uithof, Utrecht.

Qualifications

- A PhD in Biostatistics or Epidemiology and affinity with neurodegenerative diseases;
- Excellent communication skills and a clear style of writing;
- Excellent oral and writing skills in the English language;
- Extensive experience in statistical testing and modelling, including advance etiological modelling methods;
- Experience in the writing of research proposals;
- Knowledge of the Dutch language is a pré.

Offer

We are looking for a highly motivated candidate for the position of post-doc, starting as soon as possible. We offer a temporary full-time appointment of one year with a possible prolongation with another two years (three year total). The salary depends on experience and takes place in accordance with CAO-UMCs, salary scale 10. For more information visit the Terms of Employment and Working at Utrecht University.

Apply

If you wish to apply for this position, go to:

<https://www.academictransfer.com/employer/UU/vacancy/33479/lang/nl/>

The application deadline is 19/05/2016

About the organization

A better future for everyone. This ambition motivates our scientists in executing their leading research and inspiring teaching. At Utrecht University the various disciplines collaborate intensively towards major societal themes. Our focus is on Dynamics of Youth, Institutions, Life Sciences and Sustainability.

University Medical Centre Utrecht. With over 1,100 beds and more than 11,000 employees, the University Medical Center Utrecht is one of the largest academic health care centers in the Netherlands. Our aim is to improve; our patients' health, but also our students and employees. Scientific research at the UMC Utrecht is rooted in the world around us. We listen to people; the wishes and needs of patients come first. Together with our national and international partners, we invest in innovation and research in order to ensure that our care remains of the highest quality. Focus is pivotal in this, which is why we have concentrated our research in six programs: Brain, Infection & Immunity, Circulatory Health, Personalized Cancer Care, RM & Stem Cells, Child Health.

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The Institute for Risk Assessment Sciences (IRAS)

IRAS of Utrecht University is an interfaculty research institute within the faculties of Veterinary Medicine and Medicine. The mission of IRAS is to provide education and research on the human health risks of exposure to potentially harmful agents in the environment, at the workplace and through the food chain. IRAS is a leading research group with a proven track-record on occupational and environmental epidemiology and risk assessment. IRAS offers a strong research infrastructure with unique research resources including large population studies, exposure models, and laboratory facilities.

Division of Neuroscience, UMCU

The Division of Neuroscience is one of eleven divisions of the UMC Utrecht and encompasses research and patient care in neurology, neurosurgery, psychiatry, rehabilitation and sports medicine as well as basic neurosciences and pharmacology. Priority areas are: developmental disorders; psychotic disorders; motor neuron diseases; stroke; and refractory (child) epilepsy. These subjects link a common interest in structure & connections, genetic and environmental risk-factors, translational approaches and the relevance of research observations for patient care.

Additional information

For questions about this vacancy, please contact: Dr. Roel Vermeulen, (r.c.h.vermeulen@uu.nl). Or prof. dr. Leonard van den Berg (l.h.vandenberg@umcutrecht.nl). Please do NOT send your application to these addresses. Applications sent directly to the contact person or otherwise, will not be processed. All job interviews will take place in June 2015.