

INTERNATIONAL CALL IC29_24

JOB TITLE

Researcher in Nutrition Epidemiology

Researcher career profile (R3)

JOB DESCRIPTION

The Pere Virgili Institute for Health Research (IISPV) is an institution that integrates research in the field of biomedicine in the "Camp de Tarragona" and the "Terres de l'Ebre". The IISPV is the instrument that the university hospitals of both health regions have been endowed with (Joan XXIII University Hospital of Tarragona, Verge de la Cinta Hospital of Tortosa, Sant Joan de Reus University Hospital, Institut Pere Mata University Hospital of Reus) and Rovira and Virgili University, in order to bring together and manage biomedical research and innovation in the territory.

One of the research groups affiliated to IISPV is the Human Nutrition Unit (HNU) is an interdisciplinary and dynamic team with extensive experience and sufficient autonomy in developing epidemiological studies, clinical trials, and basic research. The scope of this research group is to evaluate using classical approaches and novel multiomics technologies the effect of dietary patterns or dietary compounds on obesity (including childhood obesity), type 2 diabetes, metabolic syndrome, cardiovascular diseases, and male fertility. Additionally the group has established expertise in conducting systematic reviews, meta-analysis and is looking to adopt cutting-edge evidence collation techniques such as individual patients/participant data-analysis (IPD).

A 1-year full-time position (with possibilities to renew for an extra 1 year) is available within an ongoing research project entitled NUTPOOL: A worldwide Epidemiological Project that brings together several cohorts in an (IPD) towards updating global dietary guidelines and to analyse the impact of nut consumption on non communicable diseases in the PREDIMED and PREDIMED-Plus Cohort. .

Number of available positions: 1

The selected candidate will perform the following tasks:

- Develop projects in line with the team's priorities and research lines
- Manage the NUTPOOL project in collaboration with the PI of the project and all the PI of the cohorts implicated
- Prepare Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for harmonized statistical analysis
- Perform statistical analysis adopting good practices and documentation
- To conduct meta-analysis in relation to the NUTPOOL project
- Lead/ collaborate in the writing of manuscripts and the publication process
- Lead/ collaborate in the writing of proposals to secure further funding
- Liaison with collaborators, schedule and document team meeting towards achieving project milestones.
- Mentor and train junior members of the team in research and publication

CANDIDATE PROFILE & REQUIREMENTS

- Degree in Nutrition.
- The researcher must have a Doctorate degree (PhD) in Nutrition, Biomedicine, Health Sciences or in a related field
- Minimum 7 years demonstrable experience in the nutrition field, especially in nutritional epidemiology, or relating to obesity, diabetes and cardiovascular diseases.
- Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively in international projects

IT WILL BE VALUED

- Knowledge of dietary data analysis
- Advanced skills in applied statistical analysis for observational and intervention studies
- Applications and analytic tools used in nutritional epidemiology (STATA, SPSS etc)
- Previous experience in similar projects.

- Ability to identify and solve problems.
- Previous experience in working in large epidemiological datasets
- Good project management skills
- Previous experience in publishing in international journals
- Fluency in English (written and spoken)
- Be capable of critical analysis, evaluation and synthesis of new and complex ideas;
- Has demonstrated the ability to conceive, design, implement and adapt a substantial programme of research with integrity.
- Can communicate with their peers - be able to explain the outcome of their research (and value thereof) to the research community

LABOUR CONDITIONS

- Full-time position
- Workplace: Facultat de Medicina de Reus
- Contract: indefinite contract linked to scientific-technical activities for the NUTPOOL Project (1 year)
- Gross annual salary: (36.000€ - 37.000€)
- Starting date: 01 de Septembre de 2024

SELECTION PROCEDURE

- Selection of CV's. Suitable and unsuitable CV's will be identified according to the requirements. Applicants who do not meet the requirements indicated in the candidate profile and requirements will not pass to the next phase.
- Evaluation of the CV. Evaluation of the CVs up to a maximum score of 70 points.
- Cover Letter. Attach to the resume a cover letter with a maximum length of 2500 characters with spaces. With a maximum score of 30 points.

To access the interview phase it is necessary to have obtained a minimum score of 60 points in the sum of scores of the evaluation of the curriculum and cover letter

- Personal interview. With a maximum score of 100 points.

Items	100
Attitude	20
Fit in the work place	40
Experience, developed functions/skills	30
Teamwork	10

SELECTION COMMITTEE

- President: Prof. Dr. Jordi Salas-Salvado, Director, Human Nutrition Unit, Rovira i Virgili University & Principal Investigator. PREDIMED-PLUS (Full Professor)
- Chair 1: Dr. Nancy Babio (Associated professor)
- Chair 2: Dr. Albert Salas Huetos (Lecture professor URV)
- **SUBSTITUTES:**
 - President: Michelle Murphy (Associated professor URV)
 - Chair 1: Jesús García Gavilan (Postdoctoral researcher CIBERObn)
 - Chair 2: Fátima Sabench (Associated professor URV)

CANDIDATURES

- The CV must include the DNI/NIE number or another personal identity document number.
- Send the CV and the Cover Letter through the IISPV website.
<https://www.iispv.cat/treballa-amb-nosaltres/>

For any questions or queries: recruitment@iispv.cat

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF CV 27/06/2024

COMMUNICATIONS

The IISPV will notify the candidates of the results of the different phases of the selection process through its website.

HR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH

The IISPV has the European accreditation The Human Resources Strategy for Researchers (HRS4R), complies with the general principles of the European Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the recruitment of researchers.

The IISPV has an internal recruitment policy that follows the Open, Transparent and Merit-based Recruitment (OTM-R) policies. More information about the HRS4R policies implemented at the IISPV is available on the following website: <https://www.iispv.cat/hrs4r-hr-excellenceresearch/>

The IISPV will guarantee the right to equal opportunities and treatment, as well as the real and effective exercise of rights by people with disabilities under equal conditions with respect to other citizens, through the promotion of personal autonomy, universal accessibility, access to employment, inclusion in the community and independent living and the eradication of any form of discrimination, in accordance with articles 9.2, 10, 14 and 49 of the Spanish Constitution and the International Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and international treaties and agreements ratified by Spain.

In the event of a tie, priority will be given to hiring the person with a disability.

In the event of a tie between people of different genders, the person of the least represented gender in the work group/department/service in which he joins will be hired.