Fogarty-IeDEA Mentorship Program

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For
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Participating Regions

- **Asia-Pacific**: Cambodia, China and Hong Kong SAR, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam
  - **Data Center**: Kirby Institute, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia
- **Caribbean Central and South America (CCASAnet)**: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Peru
  - **Data Center**: Vanderbilt University, Nashville US
- **Central Africa**: Burundi, Cameroon, Democratic Republic of Congo, Republic of Congo (RoC), Rwanda
  - **Data Center**: Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York US; City University of New York, New York US
- **East Africa**: Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda
  - **Data Center**: Indiana University, Indianapolis, US
- **Southern Africa**: Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, South Africa, Zambia, Zimbabwe
  - **Data Center**: University of Cape Town, Cape Town, South Africa; University of Bern, Bern, Switzerland
- **West Africa**: Benin, Burkina Faso, Cote d’Ivoire, Ghana, Mali, Senegal, Togo
  - **Data Center**: University of Bordeaux, Bordeaux, France
IeDEA Mentoring Program (IMP)

• 6 IeDEA regions working in low- and middle-income countries have created training opportunities
• Within each region, two 18-month mentee slots will be open, for a total of 12 positions globally.
Description of the Program

• **Goal:** To develop skills in study design, data management, analysis, interpretation and dissemination of research involving large HIV clinical databases

• As part of the FIMP, mentees will:
  - Have access to IeDEA regional data for analyses.
  - Participate in a minimum of two, 1-2 -week intensive mentoring sessions
    - The first in-person session: Project Initiation
    - The second in-person session: Manuscript development
  - Biweekly mentoring through the duration of the program
  - Support to attend at least one local or regional scientific meeting
  - Data management and analytic support

• Salary support **will not** be available through this mechanism
Anticipated Program Deliverables:

- One submitted meeting abstract
- One submitted manuscript
- Potential for one additional draft manuscript
Applicant Qualifications:

- Minimum of a Master’s degree in public health, epidemiology, biostatistics, or a related biomedical or computational field
- Prior experience in the area of HIV
- Current or former D43 trainee or IeDEA-affiliated regional investigator
- Basic understanding of and skills in epidemiology, data management and analysis
- Citizen of a low or middle income country
Application Requirements:

- **Curriculum Vitae** or NIH standard biosketch

- **Writing Sample:** Either 1-3 PDFs of accepted abstracts, presented posters, and accepted or published manuscripts from the past five years. Or a personal statement including a discussion of the candidates career goals (1 page limit)

- **Concept Sheet** (standardized template)

- **Mentor Review**
  - For D43 or former Trainee: mentor from your D43 program should complete
  - For IeDEA affiliated investigator: a designated site or regional data center investigator should complete
  - Review includes an assessment of skills & a letter of support
Concept Sheet:

Template is provided as a Word Document in the online Application (see next section.)

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| Project outline: (±1000 words) | Background: (1-2 paragraphs on the rationale for this analysis)  
Objectives and hypotheses: (2-3 Objectives or questions)  
Study design: (e.g. Case-Control, retrospective cohort)  
Eligibility criteria: (e.g. all individuals <18 years of age, all individuals >40 years, all individuals on ART)  
Key variables: (Refer to the Condensed IeDEA Data Exchange Standard (C-IeDEA DES) for available variables and definitions)  
Outcomes and definitions: (e.g. Death, lost to follow-up, viral suppression, retention)  
Statistical methods:  
References: |
Applicant Review Process:

- The RDCs will independently review applications
- Finalists will be interviewed by members of the RDC via telephone or Skype
- Finalist applicant’s mentor will be contacted by the RDC to discuss integration of the FIMP training with ongoing training and mentoring
After Initial Review

• Letter of support from the mentee’s institution/program committing:
  ➢ Salary/stipend support
  ➢ Release for 2 two-week face-to-face mentoring sessions
  ➢ Release for 1 one-week scientific meeting
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Timelines

• Applications Close: 4 November 2019
• Skype interviews: November
• Awards announced: Mid-December
• Program begins: January 2020

Help Contacts

For questions about the FIMP application process, requirements, and deadlines, contact Dr. Kara Wools-Kaloustian kwools@iu.edu (FIMP Program Director).

For technical questions about the REDCap web-based application system, contact Hilary Vansell hilary.vansell@vumc.org
Thank you

• Websites
  - IeDEA Website: https://www.iedea.org/
  - FIMP Application: https://redcap.vanderbilt.edu/surveys/?s=4LNP4RHJEL
  - IeDEA DES: https://www.iedeades.org/

• Bimonthly newsletter sign-up: https://www.groupvine.com/global/@@apply
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