

Career Development Fellow (CDF) –
Specialist Registrar in Paediatrics
Keneba Fieldstation, MRC Laboratories, The Gambia

Salary range £34,933 - £42,754 per annum
plus overseas allowances

We offer an excellent opportunity for a CDF (3 years) to join the Nutrition Programme to conduct nutrition-related clinical/epidemiological research at our world-renowned fieldsite in rural Gambia. Full support will be provided in developing and executing a major research proposal within our broad portfolio of research focus areas. There will also be shared clinical responsibilities.

We seek a research-orientated paediatrician qualified at least to MRCPCH level (having completed the core Specialist Registrar training) and keen to take OOPE to pursue a research degree. Some prior research experience is highly desirable, and DTM&H desirable, but neither are absolute requirements.

MRC Keneba has an international reputation for fundamental and health-orientated research into the nutritional problems of Africa. Current research programmes focus on: early nutritional programming of immunity; micronutrient deficiencies (with emphasis on calcium/bone health and vitamin A/immunity); persistent gastroenteropathy and growth failure; and nutrient-gene interactions (with emphasis on genes regulating iron metabolism, and fetal growth). MRC Keneba is linked to the MRC International Nutrition Group at the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine (headed by Professor Andrew Prentice, who also directs the Nutrition Programme in The Gambia). The work at Keneba also links closely with the main MRC Laboratories based at Fajara (Director: Dr Tumani Corrah).

For further information please contact Prof Andrew Prentice Andrew.Prentice@lshtm.ac.uk, Dr Sophie Moore smoore@mrc.gm (Head of Station in Keneba) or the current incumbent of this post, Dr Stephen Owens sowens@mrc.gm

For the period in The Gambia employment will be on the MRC Band 3 scale (range £34,933 - £42,754) plus overseas allowances, furnished accommodation, flights and other benefits. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. The post is a 3 year fixed term appointment, funded by the MRC.

For further information and to apply, please visit our website:

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