**Position**  
POSTDOCTORAL SCIENTIST OPPORTUNITY ON TATTOO INKS AND CANCER

**Arbeitgeber/Employer**  
International Agency fo Research on Cancer (IARC), World Health Organisation Environment and Lifestyle Epidemiology Branch

**Arbeitsort/Location**  
Lyon, France

**Gehalt bzw. Gehaltsstufe/Salary scale**  
Postdoctoral stipend: Euro 2820 / month (net)

**Arbeitszeit/Hours**  
Full-time (40h/week)

**Vertragsdauer/Contract type**  
1 year (possibility of prolongation)

**Bewerbungsfrist/Application deadline**  
16/09/2022

**Kontaktperson/Contact person**  
Christine Bassier (bassierciarc.who.int) Dr. Milena Foerster (foerstermiarc.who.int)

**Weitere Bewerbungs-informationen/Information for applicants**  
A postdoctoral scientist opportunity is available in the IARC Environment and Lifestyle Epidemiology Branch, to work on two epidemiological studies on tattoos and long-term health-effects, particularly in relation to lymphomas and skin cancers. The selected candidate will undertake activities in close collaboration with Dr Milena Foerster and Dr Joachim Schüz (Branch Head). She/he will help to set up two large scale tattoo exposure assessments in the French and German national cohorts, “Constances” and “NAKO”, and will also be involved in further research activities on tattoos.

Tattoo prevalence has been steeply rising during the recent decades. During the tattooing process, Tattoo inks are injected in the upper layer of the dermis. These inks are chemical mixtures which may, despite regulatory efforts, contain carcinogenic substances although it remains unknown whether these may cause long-term harm to humans through intradermal exposure. To close this research gap, two studies coordinated by the ENV branch will assess tattoo exposure in the above-
mentioned cohort and prospectively follow-up cancer outcomes in these populations.

Activities of the candidate involve fieldwork coordination, data management, statistical analyses, travel, grant and progress report writing, and drafting manuscripts. The successful candidate would ideally have:
• a PhD in natural sciences, epidemiology or statistics
• experience in field-work coordination and study management
• strong statistical analytical and programming skills
• programming in STATA or high proficiency in another statistical package
• French, English, and German language communication skills
• experience in environmental or occupational epidemiology, or toxicology

The opportunity is initially for a period of 12 months. The current IARC postdoctoral stipend is Euro 2820 per month. The cost of travel for the postdoctoral scientist, and in certain circumstances for dependants, will be met. Dependence and health insurance allowances will be paid, if applicable. Postdoctoral scientists at IARC have access to a wide spectrum of scientific disciplines and to a unique network of collaborators across the world. Applications from all countries are encouraged, including in particular from low- and middle-income countries.

IARC welcomes around 40 postdoctoral scientists, at any one time, distributed across the Agency. For more information about (1) postdoctoral stays at IARC, please read the Postdoctoral charter (see link to job posting), and (2) practical information for relocation in Lyon, please read the IARC Welcome Pack (see link to job posting).

Interested candidates may contact Dr Milena Foerster (foersterm@iarc.who.int) with informal inquiries about the position. Applicants should send a cover letter and CV, by 16 September 2022, including list of publications and a description of previous research experience, as well as the names and addresses of two academic referees, to: Mrs Christine Bassier, Environment and Lifestyle Epidemiology Branch Email: bassierc@iarc.who.int

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