Biomedical Statistician

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We are looking for a statistician to join an established team working on a world-leading project, taking responsibility for many aspects of the statistical analysis for the project. This study will investigate the genetic, demographic, environmental and life-style factors that affect telomere length and establish the relationship between telomere length and cardiovascular and other age-related diseases.

Telomeres are structures at the ends of chromosomes and their length is a marker of biological ageing. In previous studies (see papers by Samani NJ and Codd V), we have shown a link between telomere length and risk of heart and other diseases. Building on this work we have been awarded a major grant by the MRC/BBSRC/BHF to measure the average telomere length of all 500,000 participants in UK Biobank (http://www.ukbiobank.ac.uk/).

About you

You will bring to the role an in-depth knowledge of biomedical statistics, data analysis and statistical software with a PhD in biostatistics or applied statistics.

Desirable attributes also include evidence of research activity, contributions to successful grant applications, experience of analysing genetic data and knowledge of statistical design.

You will have excellent interpersonal skills, able to engage with other members of the department for critical discussion of research and exchange of new ideas and approaches that might benefit the research.

Additional information

Leicester is a leading University committed to international excellence, world-changing research and high quality, inspirational teaching. We are strongly committed to inclusivity, promoting equality and celebrating diversity among our staff. Located in the heart of the UK, you will have the opportunity to progress your career in a supportive and varied environment that values hard work and recognises individual achievement.

The Department of Cardiovascular Sciences is committed to sustaining a progressive, equality driven environment in which all our staff can thrive. We believe this can be accomplished through attracting, developing, and retaining a diverse range of staff from many different backgrounds. In supporting our employees to achieve a balance between work and personal lives, we consider proposals for flexible working as well as job share arrangements.

Informal enquiries are welcome and should be made to Veryan Codd on vc15@le.ac.uk and Chris Nelson on cn46@le.ac.uk. Interviews are anticipated to take place on 12 April 2019.

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