

News

International Union Against Cancer: INTERNATIONAL CANCER FELLOWSHIPS

UICC offers long, medium, and short term fellowships to qualified professionals who are actively engaged in cancer research, clinical oncology or oncology nursing:

American Cancer Society International Cancer Research Fellowships (ACS)

For 6–12 months of original work in basic, clinical, behavioural, or epidemiological areas of cancer research abroad by recognised senior investigators. Candidates should have been active in cancer research for at least 5 years with a substantial publication record in international peer-reviewed periodicals. (Funded by the American Cancer Society.)

Application closing date is 1 October. Selection results will be available mid-April of the following year. There are approximately 15 awards per year, of an average value of US\$ 40 000.

Yamagiwa-Yoshida Memorial International Cancer Study Grants (YY)

For 3 months to establish bilateral research projects abroad which exploit complementary materials or skills, including advanced training in experimental methods. Candidates should be qualified and experienced investigators with publications in international peer-reviewed periodicals. (Funded by the Olympus Optical Company, Tokyo, and the Japan National Committee for UICC.)

Application closing date is 1 January or 1 July. Selection results will be available mid-April or mid-October of the following year. There are approximately 15 grants per year, of an average value of US\$ 8000.

International Cancer Technology Transfer Fellowships (ICRETT)

For 1–3 months, with UICC stipend support for 1 month, for appropriately qualified investigators or experienced clinicians to teach or acquire up-to-date research techniques, advanced clinical management, diagnostic and therapeutic skills, and transfer appropriate technology. (Funded by a group of Australian, European and North American sponsors.)

There is no application closing date. Selection results will be available within 60 days. There are approximately 120 awards per year, of an average value of US\$ 3000.

International Oncology Nursing Fellowships (IONF)

For 1–3 months, with UICC stipend support for 1 month, for registered, English speaking nurses who are actively engaged in the care of cancer patients and who come from developing and East European countries, to observe the management of cancer patients at renowned cancer centres in Australia, North America or the United Kingdom. (Funded by the Oncology Nursing Society and Marion Meryl Dow Inc., U.S.A.)

Application closing date is 15 November. Selection results will be available mid-February of the following year. There are approximately 5 awards per year, of an average value of US\$ 2800.

For application forms, please write to the UICC Fellowships Department, 3 rue de Conseil-Général, 1205 Geneva, Switzerland or fax: (41 22) 320 18 10 or e-mail to bbaker@atge.automail.com

The European Postgraduate Gastro-Surgical School International Congress on Management of Pancreatic Carcinoma

The European Postgraduate Gastro-Surgical School is organising this congress at the Academic Medical Center of the University of Amsterdam between 30 November and 1 December 1995. The congress will focus on diagnostic work-up and staging, case presentations of diagnostic and therapeutic dilemmas, live demonstrations, and treatment of pancreatic carcinoma. The course directors are Guido Tytgat and Dirk Gouma. For further information, please contact Helma Stockmann, Managing Director, European Postgraduate Gastro-Surgical School, Room G4-109.3, Academic Medical Center, Meibergdreef 9, 1105 AZ Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Tel: 31.20.5663926; Fax: 31.20.6914858.

22nd Annual Meeting of the European Group for Blood and Marrow Transplantation and 12th Meeting of the Nurses Group

The above are to be held at the Congress Centre Hofburg, Vienna, Austria between 3 and 7 March 1996. For more information, please contact Prof. Dr W. Hinterberger at the Scientific Secretariat and Congress Office, EBMT '96, 2nd Department of Medicine, Donauspital, Langobardenstrasse 122, A-1220 Vienna, Austria. Tel: +43-1-28802-3207; Fax: +43-1-28802-3260. The abstract deadline is 2 October 1995.

European School of Oncology—Athens Office Training Course: Developments and Applications of Imaging Techniques in Oncology

ESO/Athens office for the Balkans and Middle East. A training course in developments and applications of imaging in oncology will be held in Metsovo, Greece, between 28 and 31 March 1996. For more information please contact D. Kardamakis, P.O. Box 5120, GR-26004 Patras, Greece. Fax: +30-61-999 861 and +30-1-36 26 972.

First German Congress for Radiation Oncology, Radiation Biology and Physics

The first German congress for radiation oncology, radiation biology and physics will take place in Baden-Baden between 18 and 21 November 1995. The congress aims to extend basic information on the rapidly expanding field of radiation oncology to a broad audience of radiotherapists, radiobiologists and physicists. The programme of the first congress includes clinical radio-oncology and basic sciences in order to integrate experimental work and clinical practice. The congress language will be German, but abstracts and oral presentations in English will also be accepted. For active participants travel grants are possible. For further details, please contact Dr R.-D. Kortmann or Dr W. Hoffmann, Abteilung Strahlentherapie, Universitäts-

linikum Tobingen, Hoppe-Seyler-Strasse 3, 72076 Tobingen, Germany. Tel: 07071 29 6142; Fax: 07071 29 58 94.

Second Course on Ablative and Reconstructive Surgery on the Head and Neck: Management of Complications

This course will be held at the Academic Medical Centre in Amsterdam between 10 and 11 November 1995. Lectures will be presented on the management of diagnostic errors, timing of surgery and prevention of complications, and smaller discussion groups will address the monitoring of and re-intervention with free flaps; chylous leakage; carotid artery rupture; osteoradionecrosis; prosthetic voice rehabilitation; malfunction of the neo-mandible and preoperative counselling. For more infor-

mation, please contact Ms J. van der Lek-Rohof, Postgraduate Medical Education, Tafelbergweg 25, 1105 BC Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Tel: 31 20 566 4801; Fax: 31 20 696 3228.

9th Congress of the European Society for Psychosocial Oncology (ESPO)

This congress is to be held in Amsterdam, The Netherlands between 7 and 10 July 1996. For further information, contact E. Bremer of E. van Rijen, Congress Office, University of Amsterdam, P.O. Box 19268, 100 GG Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Tel: 31-20-5252019 or 31-20-5252690; Fax: 31-20-5254799; e-mail: congres@guo@bdu.uva.nl