SENIOR INVESTIGATOR

Physician with hematology or oncology training

Interest and experience with developing and conducting cancer therapy trials.

The Canadian Cancer Trials Group

Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario

The Canadian Cancer Trials Group (CCTG) Operations and Statistical Centre (OSC), based at the Queen’s University Cancer Research Institute in Kingston, Ontario is seeking a physician with hematology or oncology training with demonstrated interest and experience with developing and cancer therapy trials.

CCTG is Canada’s largest academic cooperative group that conducts multi-centre cancer clinical trials in Canada and internationally in forty countries. These studies span the continuum of phase I trials to large randomized controlled trials testing novel agents, technologies and lifestyle interventions. Over 80 member institutions across Canada, ranging in size from major cancer centres to community hospitals, enroll patients on CCTG studies. Over 5000 physicians, research nurses, data managers and pharmacists participate in the conduct of these trials. Between its inception in 1980 and 2016, the CCTG (formerly the NCIC Clinical Trials Group) has conducted more than 500 phase I to III trials that included 80,000 patients. The activities of its Investigational New Drug Program includes more than 200 phase I or II studies that included 6000 patients. The CCTG statistical and operations centre, with 12 faculty and over 100 staff is responsible for all aspects of trial management and analysis conducted by the CCTG network.

Senior investigators are based at the OSC and work with members of the investigational new drug and disease-specific and trial endpoint committees, which have national investigator leadership and membership, to develop and implement the CCTG clinical trials research agenda. Current priority areas of research are evaluating precision medicine and immuno-oncology approaches, and the development and inclusion of patient focused and economic outcomes in trials. Senior investigator responsibilities include development and refinement of trial questions, oversight of trial development, conduct and analysis as part of the trial team. Senior investigators are also responsible for developing scientific agendas and specific trials, securing funding and investigational agents via grants and contract agreements to support the study conduct.

Candidates must have expertise in developing and leading a range of therapeutic trials. Specific training and/or experience in clinical methodology related to clinical trials is required. Candidates must have an MD or equivalent, and be eligible for licensure by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario. Experience in overseeing multicentre clinical trials in the areas of precision medicine, and/or immuno-oncology are assets as these are current research priorities for the group. Preference will be given to candidates that have completed specialty training in an oncology-related discipline (i.e., medical, pediatric or hematologic-oncology) and who hold specialty training from the Royal College of Physicians
and Surgeons of Canada or the American Board of Specialties. Strong written and verbal communication skills are required, as well as the ability to work both independently and as part of a team. The potential for teaching and supervision of MD fellowships and/or graduate students should be demonstrated. Preference will be given to applicants who will contribute to education as part of their role description.

This will be a three-year Special Appointment in the Department of Oncology, Faculty of Health Sciences at Queen’s University, which is renewable at three year intervals. Academic rank and salary will commensurate with qualifications and experience. The successful applicant may also participate in the provision of outpatient oncology clinical care at the Cancer Centre of Southeastern Ontario/Kingston Health Sciences Centre.

The University invites applications from all qualified individuals. Queen’s is committed to employment equity and diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications from women, visible minorities, Aboriginal peoples, persons with disabilities, and LGBTQ persons. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, in accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority.

To comply with federal laws, the University is obliged to gather statistical information as to how many applicants for each job vacancy are Canadian citizens / permanent residents of Canada. Applicants need not identify their country of origin or citizenship; however, all applications must include one of the following statements: “I am a Canadian citizen / permanent resident of Canada”; OR, “I am not a Canadian citizen / permanent resident of Canada”. Applications that do not include this information will be deemed incomplete.

Please reply with curriculum vitae and list of three potential referees, including their names, addresses and email to:

Dr. Janet E Dancey, Director,  
Canadian Cancer Trials Group  
Cancer Research Institute,  
10 Stuart Street  
Kingston, ON K7L 3N6  
Email: jdancey@ctg.queensu.ca

Review of applications will continue until the position is filled.

The University will provide support in its recruitment processes to applicants with disabilities, including accommodation that takes into account an applicant’s accessibility needs. If you require accommodation during the interview process, please contact: Tracey St John (tstjohn@ctg.queensu.ca; telephone+1. 613.533.6430)