



UNIVERSITY OF DAR ES SALAAM

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Research Fellowships with Deadlines in the Second and Third Quarters of 2026

Group 7

20th March 2026

1. CRI Immuno-Informatics Postdoctoral Fellowship

Deadline: 1 September 2026

Focus: Postdoctoral training at the interface of cancer immunology and computational biology/data science, supporting hypothesis-driven research using advanced computational and “omics” approaches

Indicative Grant Size: ~\$243,000 over 3 years (stipend: \$74K, \$76K, \$78K/year + \$5K/year institutional allowance)

Eligibility: Global; PhD; ≤5 years postdoc experience; host sponsor at non-profit institution required

Prep: Interdisciplinary proposal (immunology + data science); clear training plan; sponsor secured; computational/omics focus; translational cancer relevance; includes training support (e.g., CRI Bioinformatics Bootcamp)

URL: <https://www.cancerresearch.org/immuno-informatics-postdoctoral-fellowship>

2. CRI Irvington Postdoctoral Fellowship

Deadline: 1 September 2026 (Typically 1 March and 1 September annually)

Focus: Postdoctoral research in immunology and cancer immunology, particularly hypothesis-driven studies advancing understanding of the immune system’s role in cancer

Indicative Grant Size: ~\$243,000 total over 3 years (stipend: \$74K, \$76K, \$78K/year + \$5K/year institutional allowance)

Eligibility: Global; PhD required; ≤5 years postdoctoral experience; must have a sponsor at a non-profit research institution

Prep: Strong mechanistic research proposal; confirmed host/sponsor essential; focus on innovation in immunology/immuno-oncology; competitive selection (~10-12-week review cycle)

URL: <https://www.cancerresearch.org/cri-irvington-postdoctoral-fellowship>

3. Georg Forster Research Fellowship (Humboldt Foundation)

Deadline: June 2026 (Apply before June; also October)

Focus: Individual research in any discipline contributing to sustainable development in the applicant’s home region

Indicative Grant Size: ~€2,700/month (postdocs);

~€3,200/month (experienced researchers) + travel, family, and research allowances

Eligibility: Researchers from developing/transition countries with a PhD; strong academic record; must secure a host institution in Germany

Prep: Independent research proposal + German host agreement; duration 6-24 months (postdoc) or 6-18 months (experienced); strong development relevance required

URL: <https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/en/apply/sponsorship-programmes/georg-forster-research-fellowship>

4. AREF Research Development Fellowship (RDF) 2026/27

Deadline: 08 May 2026

Focus: Capacity building for early-career African researchers in human health through training, mentorship, and short-term research placements

Indicative Grant Size: Up to £25,000 (3 months), £37,000 (6 months), £47,000 (9 months)

Eligibility: Early-career African researchers (postdoctoral scientists/clinicians) employed in Africa with leadership potential

Prep: Career development plan (not full research project); 1–3-month preparation, 3–9 months placement (UK/Europe/Africa), 1–3 month(s) follow-up; strong mentorship, collaboration, institutional support

URL: <https://africaresearchexcellencefund.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/03/2026-27-RDF-Scheme-Information.pdf>

5. African Research Fellowships (ARF) – EO AFRICA Initiative (ESA)

Deadline: 29 April 2026

Focus: One-year research fellowships in Earth Observation (EO) addressing African challenges using satellite data and modelling

Indicative Grant Size: ~€2,500/month (~€30,000/year) + €3,000 travel + €2,000 scientific activities

Eligibility: African nationals; PhD or strong MSc-level research experience

Prep: EO-focused research proposal; hosted at ESA ESIRIN (Italy) with ESA scientists; relocation required; own insurance; institutional support (workspace, computing, admin)

URL: <https://eo4society.esa.int/2026/03/18/african-research-fellowships-call-2026/>

UDSM researchers are highly encouraged to apply