



ALMA MATER STUDIORUM
UNIVERSITÀ DI BOLOGNA

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**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS CONCERNING 1 VISITING RESEARCHER TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL AND SURGICAL SCIENCES IN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE RESEARCH PROJECT
"Cancer risk in hookah smokers"**

Art. 1 – Subject and duration

The Alma Mater Studiorum – University of Bologna – Department of Medical and Surgical Sciences (hereinafter, 'DIMEC' or the 'Department'), as part of the research project "Cancer risk in hookah smokers", project IG 24706 – IG2020 call - Scientific Director prof. Paolo Boffetta **CUP J55F21001480007**, hereby issues this call for applications concerning 1 visiting researcher positions for researchers coming from abroad invited to share their research activities, knowledge and results.

The length of the stay shall be 8 months during the period 01/01/2026 – 31/08/2026

People with the following job titles are eligible to apply: R4 Leading Researcher (researchers leading their research area or field)

Application is open exclusively to candidates who meet the following requirements:

- Master's degree in Medicine and Surgery, Statistics or Biotechnology
- Doctorate or Specialization in Public Health, Epidemiology or Cancerology
- post-graduate professional research experience (at least 10 years) in the fields of Public Health, Epidemiology, Cancerology;
- experience in research on tobacco carcinogenicity.

Activities of the visiting researcher, that will be carried out within the Department facilities, will consist in the collaboration with professors and researchers of the Unit of Occupational Medicine, and particularly with the research group of Prof. Paolo Boffetta, to conduct a detailed analysis on the risk of cancer from hookah smoking. In more details, collaboration shall take place via the following activities:

- develop the international GLOW consortium
- complete the analysis of the IROPICAN study
- plan future activities on the topic of hookah smoking and cancer.

The period of stay shall be continuous.

Art. 2 – Remuneration

The selected visiting researcher will:

- receive a gross salary of € 50,000
- also receive reimbursements for the expenses incurred for the completion of the assignment (travel, accommodation, food, taxi only for the station or airport / workplace and return journeys) for activities which should be carried out outside Bologna. The Department will reimburse these costs, for a maximum amount of € 3,000,00, once the proof of payment has been submitted, according to [to Regolamento delle missioni e trasferte e relativo rimborso spese](#) of the Alma Mater Studiorum – University of Bologna;
- have access to the facilities and IT resources of the Department;
- be provided with a fully equipped working space at the Department.

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UFFICIO PERSONALE NON STRUTTURATO

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Responsabile del procedimento: Luisa Romagnoli | sam.nonstrutturati@unibo.it



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The salary to be paid to the visiting fellow/researcher will include any taxes applied to the recipient.

The recipient's exact gross salary will be determined on the basis of his/her decision or refusal (or lack thereof) to take advantage of applicable tax treaties in order to avoid double taxation.

The salary will also include the premium for insurance coverage against accidents and third-party liability (called 'RCT' in Italy). The RCT policy will be limited to the activities listed in the invitation letter that take place within the university facilities.

Art. 3 – Application submission: terms and methods

The application must include all required documents and must be sent by the candidates to the following e-mail address: sam.nonstrutturati@unibo.it by 09/12/2025 at 12.00. Applications shall be submitted exclusively via e-mail; documents submitted in any other way will not be accepted. The application must include:

1. the application form filled in with the personal and professional data of the visiting fellow/researcher (annex 1);
2. the chosen period of stay;
3. a scanned copy of the visiting researcher's valid passport (or ID if EU/EEA/Swiss citizen);
4. the visiting researcher's *curriculum vitae et studiorum* and list of publications (last 5 years);
5. a letter of intent stating the research area of interest, the planned activities, the research proposals.

Art. 4 – Award criteria

The applications will be evaluated by a selection committee appointed by the Department committee on the basis of the following criteria:

1. scientific profile of the candidate;
2. originality of the visiting researcher's mobility project;
3. relevance of the mobility project with regard to the scientific development objectives of the Department.

The results will be published on the website bandi.unibo.it, by 16/12/2025.

Art. 5 - Acceptance

Winner will be notified by an invitation letter from the Head of Department sent no later than 16/12/2025, via e-mail. Within 10 days of receipt of the invitation letter, the visiting researcher must formally accept the position by sending a confirmation message to: sam.nonstrutturati@unibo.it. A lack of response within that deadline will be taken as a forfeit of the position.

Art. 6 - Further obligations

Immigration rules and health insurance

The visiting fellow/researcher's arrival and residence in Italy are regulated by Italian law. It is up to the visiting fellow/researcher to obtain the visa and all other authorisations, where necessary, to enter into Italy and carry out the activities as described in this call for applications.

The awarding of the visiting fellow/researcher position does not involve for any right to benefit from the Italian National Health Service. Visiting fellows/researchers are required to arrange for their health coverage.

Safety and health at work

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The visiting fellow/researcher undertakes to comply with the rules and instructions about accident prevention, safety and health protection in the workplace and to attend the appropriate compulsory training courses. Training courses are available [online](#).

Ethical Code of Behavior

The visiting fellow/researcher undertakes to uphold and apply in full the rules of the University Ethical Code of Behavior available on: www.unibo.it/codiceetico

The visiting researcher expressly undertakes, for the entire duration of the research period at the University and for five years following its end, not to disclose the Confidential Information and not to make it in any way accessible to third parties, as well as not to use in any way the Confidential Information for purposes other than those connected with the research activity carried out at the University of Bologna.

Confidential Information are any information, data or knowledge of a technical, scientific, commercial or financial nature, which has economic value as it is reserved, whatever the form of expression or the storage system, which has been communicated to the visiting researcher in the performance of the research programme of this call, even when not specifically and clearly qualified as "confidential" or "secrets".

Art. 7 - Final report and payment

At the end of his/her stay, the visiting researcher shall provide a final detailed report of the activities carried out. The payment of the visiting researcher's salary will be authorised by the Head of Department upon verification that the required activities have been fulfilled.

Art. 8 – Publication of the call

This call is published on the website bandi.unibo.it.

Art. 9 – Final provisions

The University of Bologna Statute and Regulations and Italian law shall apply to all aspects not regulated by this call.

Art. 11 – Information notice concerning data processing

Personal data collected are processed as described in the "Privacy policy for participants in the University's competitive selection procedures" available at: www.unibo.it/privacy.

The information is published in compliance with art. 13 and 14 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (GDPR).

Contacts

For further information please contact: SAM - Settore Personale - Ufficio Personale non strutturato
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E-mail: sam.nonstrutturati@unibo.it.

The procedure manager is: Luisa Romagnoli

Bologna, 19/11/2025

the SAM (Area Service Area Medica)
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Daniela Taccone

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ANNEX 1

APPLICATION

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To the Head of the Department of Medical and Surgical Sciences

THE UNDERSIGNED

SURNAME _____

NAME _____

BORN IN _____ (PROVINCE/COUNTRY _____)

ON _____

(fill in exactly the same personal details as shown in the enclosed copy of passport or identity document)

E-MAIL (compulsory) _____

HEREBY APPLIES

for the call for applications concerning 1 visiting researcher, for the following period from
_____ to _____.

AND ENCLOSES THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:

- copy of passport. EU/EEA/Swiss citizens can attach copy of their ID
- the *curriculum vitae et studiorum* and list of publications (last 5 years)
- a letter of intent stating the research area of interest, the planned activities, the research proposals.

The undersigned also declares that all notifications relative to this call for applications should be sent to the above-mentioned e-mail address and undertakes to promptly notify of any variations.

Date,

Signature

Processing of personal data

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