Patient-reported endpoints in clinical trials and disease progression

A PostDoc position (m/f/d) is available in the Ophthalmic Epidemiology Research Unit at the Department of Ophthalmology, University of Bonn Medical School, Germany.

Patient report becomes increasingly important not only as an endpoint in clinical trials but also as a marker for current and future functional impairment as well as disease progression. This is particularly important in eye health/visual impairment.

The PostDoc position will focus on the further development and validation of quality of life and instrumental activities of daily living outcome measures in relation to visual impairment. The work will be embedded in an existing EU funded project and a DFG funded project and will encompass the full breadth of scientific work including the drafting of study protocols, obtaining ethics approval where required, implementation of the study, data analysis and publication. Support and mentoring will be available at every step along the way. Active participation in local, national and international conferences is expected. The positions will not take part in any teaching provided at the department.

The ideal candidate will be a highly motivated, team-oriented postgraduate with a strong interest in patient-reported outcomes and psychometrics. Experience with clinical or epidemiological research is advantageous as is a prior degree in psychology/psychometrics or linguistics, health sciences/vision and/or epidemiology. Previous work experience in ophthalmology, optometry, optics or orthoptics is desirable but not essential. Fluency in German and English is required.

The position is available now and is for a period of two years with the possibility of an extension.

We offer:
- The salary will be according to the German salary scale TV-L E13 (100%)
- A “Jobticket” (subsidized public transport) is available
- There is also a possibility to use the day care center
- Supplementary benefits in the public sector (pension plan according to VBL)

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Questions concerning the project can be addressed to Prof. Dr. med. Robert Finger. Please send your application by email under indication of reference number 210_2019 within two weeks after publication to simone.kastenholz@ukbonn.de.

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