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**The TRACC Programme: to Train and Retain Academic Cancer Clinicians  
A Clinical Academic Training Programme in Cancer: Up to 4 TRACC Clinical Lectureships**

**Vacancy Reference: 136808**

**Salary: £43,405 - £64,461 per annum**

**Training and mentoring future academic leaders in cancer research: August 2024 intake**

The Universities of Glasgow and Edinburgh and the Cancer Research UK Scotland Institute and Cancer Research UK Scotland Centre are seeking to appoint our sixth cohort of highly ambitious individuals who aspire to become the next generation of clinical academic leaders in cancer-focused disciplines. The TRACC Programme is funded by Cancer Research UK and NHS Education for Scotland and commenced in 2019. Vacancies are available within TRACC for trainees seeking doctoral (PhD) training and mentorship. Vacancies are open to medically qualified trainees in **any clinical discipline related to cancer and who are based anywhere in the UK**. All candidates must demonstrate a clear commitment to a future career as a clinical academic in cancer research and should have a track record appropriate to their career stage in basic and/or translational and/or clinical research.

**CRUK TRACC Clinical Lectureships:**

The TRACC Programme has up to 4 posts available for the 2024 intake. All posts provide funding for a full-time, 3-year Clinical Research Training Fellowship for clinicians leading to a PhD in one of the University of Glasgow's or University of Edinburgh's internationally competitive, multidisciplinary research centres. In addition, funding is provided as a TRACC Clinical Lecturer for a preparatory 'run-in' period of up to 12 months before beginning the 3-year PhD project, when clinical training (80%) is combined with protected research time (20%) for selecting supervisors and planning of the PhD project with the support of the TRACC Directors.

The TRACC Clinical Research Training Fellowship (CRTF) involves a period of Out of Programme for Research (OOPR) for 3 years (or longer if working less than full time) during which the PhD project is completed, but up to 10% of time during the CRTF can be used for clinical training as appropriate for the candidate's clinical speciality, and as agreed with the TRACC leadership team and their NHS Training Programme Director.

Following completion of the PhD, successful candidates continue as a TRACC Clinical Lecturer and complete clinical training in their chosen speciality, with ongoing support and mentorship through the TRACC programme, and with ongoing 20% protected research time. This period will be up until the date of CCT (plus 6 months period of grace if appropriate). TRACC Clinical Lecturers may become eligible for an alternate post-doctoral academic training post (such as the schemes competitively awarded in Scotland for joint 50% clinical training and 50% research funding).

Progression through the scheme is subject to satisfactory performance but does not involve competitive interviews after initial appointment.

Candidates for TRACC Clinical Lecturer posts must already hold a UK National Training Number (NTN) or must apply and be appointed to a specialty training position with a UK NTN in their chosen discipline no later than 7th August 2024. For successful candidates who are based outside the Scotland Deanery, we will work with them, their current host Deanery/Local Education Training Board and the destination Scotland Deanery to facilitate an Inter Deanery Transfer. Candidates must have full GMC registration. We aim to be an inclusive programme and welcome applications from eligible candidates irrespective of gender or ethnic group and will adapt the programme for successful candidates who wish to work less than full time.

We run the TRACC programme jointly with the University of Edinburgh. The research posts are integrated between the two Universities and the wider cancer research ecosystems in both cities. Candidates should apply through the University of Glasgow system, but this application route will not influence the University or Research Centre where the research will be undertaken.

For further information, including a copy of the full job description, please go to:

<https://www.crukscotlandcentre.ac.uk/training/tracc-programme-for-clinicians/tracc-programme-crtf-phd>

Enquiries, regardless of your preferred destination institution, should be directed in the first instance to the TRACC Glasgow Clinical Training Lead, Prof Richard Wilson: [Richard.H.Wilson@glasgow.ac.uk](mailto:Richard.H.Wilson@glasgow.ac.uk) or the TRACC Glasgow Administrator, Dr Jackie Beesley: [j.beesley@beatson.gla.ac.uk](mailto:j.beesley@beatson.gla.ac.uk)

Applications, regardless of your preferred destination institution, should be submitted to the University of Glasgow. For further particulars and to submit an application, please go to:  
[https://my.corehr.com/pls/uogrecruit/erq\\_jobspec\\_version\\_4.jobspec?p\\_id=136808](https://my.corehr.com/pls/uogrecruit/erq_jobspec_version_4.jobspec?p_id=136808)

**Closing date:** Thursday 1 February (23:45)  
**Interviews:** Will be held virtually (via Zoom) on Thursday 15 February 2024