

**Opportunity Title:** CDC Research Opportunity for Prevention of Unauthorized Importation of Infectious Material

**Opportunity Reference Code:** CDC-CPR-2023-0126

**Organization** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

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A complete application consists of:

- An application
- Transcripts – [Click here for detailed information about acceptable transcripts](#)
- A current resume/CV, including academic history, employment history, relevant experiences, and publication list
- One educational or professional recommendation. Your application will be considered incomplete, and will not be reviewed until one recommendation is submitted.

All documents must be in English or include an official English translation.

**Application Deadline** 7/24/2023 3:00:00 PM Eastern Time Zone

**Description** **\*Applications will be reviewed on a rolling-basis.**

**CDC Office and Location:** There is a research opportunity available in the Center for Preparedness and Response (CPR) at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta, Georgia.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is one of the major operation components of the Department of Health and Human Services. CDC works to protect America from health, safety and security threats, both foreign and in the U.S. Whether diseases start at home or abroad, are chronic or acute, curable or preventable, human error or deliberate attack, CDC fights disease and supports communities and citizens to do the same.

**Research Project:** **Keeping America Safe: Prevention of Unauthorized Importation of Infectious Material CDC Import Permit Program Fellowship**

The Division of Select Agents and Toxins (DSAT) Import Permit program (IPP) is seeking motivated applicants with a background in microbiological sciences, epidemiology, public health, project management, data management, or data science. The Import Permit Program (IPP) regulates the importation of infectious biological agents, infectious substances, and vectors of human disease into the United States as regulated in 42 CFR 71.54. The regulatory authority of the program allows for the development and enforcement of regulations to prevent the introduction, transmission, or spread of communicable disease from foreign countries into and throughout the U.S. The program



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ensures that the importation of these agents is monitored and that facilities receiving permits have appropriate biosafety measures in place to work with the imported agents.

**Learning Objectives:** This appointment will offer a unique opportunity to train with a multi-disciplinary team and gain experience in CDC's regulatory authority over the importation of infectious agents, including current and emerging public health threats such as Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV 2), MPox, Ebola, and Avian influenza.

**Mentor(s):** The mentor for this opportunity is Glen DeGruy ([ivj7@cdc.gov](mailto:ivj7@cdc.gov)). If you have questions about the nature of the research please contact the mentor(s).

**Anticipated Appointment Start Date:** August 13, 2023. Start date is flexible and will depend on a variety of factors.

**Appointment Length:** The appointment will initially be for one year, but may be renewed upon recommendation of CDC and is contingent on the availability of funds.

**Level of Participation:** The appointment is full-time.

**Participant Stipend:** The participant will receive a monthly stipend commensurate with educational level and experience.

**Citizenship Requirements:** This opportunity is available to U.S. citizens only.

**ORISE Information:** This program, administered by ORAU through its contract with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to manage the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE), was established through an interagency agreement between DOE and CDC. Participants do not become employees of CDC, DOE or the program administrator, and there are no employment-related benefits. Proof of health insurance is required for participation in this program. Health insurance can be obtained through ORISE.

The successful applicant(s) will be required to comply with Environmental, Safety and Health (ES&H) requirements of the hosting facility, including but not limited to, COVID-19 requirements (e.g. facial covering, physical distancing, testing, vaccination).

**Questions:** Please visit our [Program Website](#). After reading, if you have additional questions about the application process please email [ORISE.CDC.CPR@ornl.gov](mailto:ORISE.CDC.CPR@ornl.gov) and include the reference code for this opportunity.

**Qualifications** The qualified candidate should be currently pursuing or have received a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree in one of the relevant fields. Degree must have been received within five years of the appointment start date.

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**Preferred Skills/Experience:**

- Proven oral and written communication skills
- Strong understanding and recognition of microbial agents infectious to humans
- Prior laboratory experience (e.g., clinical, reference or research laboratory)
- Strong understanding of biosafety and containment (e.g., primary, secondary)
- Experience with information technology databases and reports (e.g., SQL, python, PowerBI)

**Eligibility Requirements**

- **Citizenship:** U.S. Citizen Only
- **Degree:** Bachelor's Degree, Master's Degree, or Doctoral Degree received within the last 60 months or currently pursuing.
- **Discipline(s):**
  - **Computer, Information, and Data Sciences** (17 👁)
  - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** (48 👁)

**Affirmation**

I certify that I have not previously been employed by CDC or by a contractor working directly for CDC. I understand that CDC does not permit individuals with a prior employment relationship with CDC or its contractors to participate as trainees in the ORISE program. (Exceptions may be granted for individuals who, since the previous CDC employment, have obtained a new STEM degree which necessitates training in a new field.)