African Cancer Fellowship Awarded Fellows

In collaboration with ACS, UICC is pleased to announce the awardees of the 2017 African Cancer Fellowship programme.

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Dr Hajer Ben Khadhra
Public health specialist
Faculty of Medicine of Tunis, Tunisia

**Project Title:** Social deprivation, waiting times for diagnosis and therapeutic management and survival of patients with prostatic cancer in the Somme area

**Host Institution:** The Somme Cancer Registry, France

“This award is an excellent opportunity to bring new skills in cancer registry management and epidemiological research on the basis of registry data to the team of The North Tunisia Cancer registry”

Mr Gemechu Bulcha
Public Health Emergency Management and Health Research Senior Expert
Oromia Regional Health Bureau, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

**Project Title:** Risk Factors Associated with Esophageal Cancer (EC) in Ethiopia, 2018: A Case-Control Study

**Host Institution:** International Agency for Research on Cancer (WHO/IARC), France

“During my fellowship stay, I will drive new knowledge, skill and experience in the appropriate epidemiologic investigations to investigate the aetiology of cancer in my country.”
Dr Ahmed Hefnawy
Gynecologic oncology consultant and Obstetrics & Gynecology Lecturer
Women Health Hospital, Assiut University, Assiut, Egypt
Project Title: Setting up Palliative Care Service in a Tertiary Center Gynecologic Oncology Unit
Host Institution: University of Cape Town - Faculty of Health Sciences, South Africa
“This award will allow me to set up a palliative care service for gynecologic cancer patients in my university hospital and act as step forward towards developing a national palliative care program in Egypt”

Dr Martin Igbokwe
Senior Registrar
Obafemi Awolowo University Teaching Hospitals Complex, Ile Ife, Nigeria
Project Title: Prostate Cancer Screening and Awareness among Nigerian Men: A Community-based Study
Host Institution: Hôpital Général de Grand Yoff, Senegal
“Being selected for this award provides me with the opportunity to create a template for Prostate cancer screening and treatment in Nigeria. It is awesome!”
Dr Theoneste Maniragaba
Medical Doctor
Muhimbili University College of Health Sciences, Tanzania
Project Title: Skills in radiotherapy planning and treatment with 3D Technology
Host Institution: Finlit Ghana, Ghana
“This award will allow me to bring standard radiotherapy delivery skills to my organisation in my training country (Tanzania), my country of origin, Rwanda and East African community in general, considering that it is an emerging disease in the region.”

Dr Haikael Martin
Lecturer
Nelson Mandela African Institution of Science and Technology, Tanzania
Project Title: Improving nutrition care for cancer patient in selected hospitals in Tanzania
Host Institution: University of Nairobi / Kenyatta National Hospital, Kenya
“This award is a great opportunity for me to acquire new skills in nutritional management of cancer patients, the skills will be shared with nutrition officers and other stakeholders in Tanzania and other countries. I am anticipating developing guidelines on nutritional management of Cancer patients contextual to Tanzania.”
Dr Stephen Meena
Clinical Oncologist
Ocean Road Cancer Institute, Tanzania
Project Title: Training in advanced radiation technologies.
Host Institution: Sweden Ghana Medical Centre limited, Ghana
“This award will enable me to gain modern skills in radiotherapy and hence will allow me to bring new skills in 3D conformal Radiation therapy to my institute (Ocean Road Cancer Institute) and my country”

Ms Lactatia Motsuku
Epidemiologist researcher
National Cancer Registry, National Institute of Communicable disease, Johannesburg, South Africa
Project Title: Quality data collection and analysis for cancer survival in Southern Africa: Enhancing population based cancer registry
Host Institution: Zimbabwe National Cancer Registry, Zimbabwe
“Tackling data for better cancer control in Africa!”
Mr Anselme Mubeneshayi Kanangam
President of the Palliafamilli Association, Advisor of the National Palliative Care Association of Congo
Palliafamilli, Democratic Republic of Congo
Project title: Coordination of care within a mobile palliative care team and organization of a continuing education program for health professionals in palliative care
Host Institution: Centre Hospitalier Régional Universitaire de Besançon (centre de soins palliatifs), France
“This scholarship will help me develop my skills in setting up a continuing education for palliative care program for cancer patients in D R Congo.”

Dr Olive Mukeshimana
Supervisor in Palliative Care of Medical Students
Rwanda Palliative Care & Hospice Organisation, Rwanda
Project title: End-of-Life care program for oncology patients at home community in Rwanda
Host Institution: University Medical School, Lausanne (CHUV), Switzerland
“I’m very excited for being selected for this great opportunity, being part of this fellowship will help me learn and gain new ideas from international experts in oncology care and the new experience will help improve services given by my organization, I’ll try my best to share to other colleagues, thank you UICC for bringing this life changing opportunity.”
Dr Miriam Mutebi  
Consultant Breast Surgical Oncologist  
Aga Khan University (Nairobi), Kenya  
**Project title:** The perioperative use of ultrasound in breast cancer surgery and oncoplastic techniques  
**Host institution:** Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust, United Kingdom  
“The African Cancer Fellowship will enhance the bilateral exchange of knowledge, ideas, skills and innovations, which will ultimately result in better care for patients in all settings. Looking forward to laying the groundwork for greater collaborative efforts!”

Dr Tonia Onyeka  
Senior lecturer  
Pain & Palliative Care Unit, University of Nigeria Teaching Hospital, Nigeria  
**Project Title:** Physician shadowing for development and implementation of a paediatric palliative care service in Enugu, Nigeria  
**Host Institution:** Paedspal Paediatric Palliative Care Services, South Africa  
“I consider the UICC/ACS African Cancer Fellowship Award an excellent opportunity for me to garner the requisite skills to advance the paediatric palliative care practice in my institution, the University of Nigeria, my country, Nigeria and my continent of Africa”
Dr Innocent Chidiebere Ugwu
Senior resident
Pain & Palliative Care Unit, University of Nigeria Teaching Hospital, Nigeria
Project Title: Physician shadowing for development and implementation of a paediatric palliative care service in Enugu, Nigeria
Host Institution: Paedspal Paediatric Palliative Care Services, South Africa
“This is a rare opportunity to learn necessary skills in the art of palliative care in children which is largely lacking in our institution. Thanks to the Union for International Cancer Control (UICC) and the American Cancer Society”.

Dr Folaju Oyebola
Consultant in Pain and Palliative Medicine
Federal Medical Center, Abeokuta, Nigeria
Project Title: Cancer Patients Perceptions of Education During Treatment
Host Institution: Life Abundant Palliative Care, Victoria Hospital Wynberg, South Africa
“The UICC African Cancer Fellowship excites me as a great opportunity for Palliative Oncology Clinical-Visit, with the hope of exploring and fostering a strong South-South collaboration”
Dr Fidel Rubagumya
Resident Physician
Ocean Road Cancer Institute, Tanzania
Project title: Rwanda Children's Cancer Relief Survivorship Program
Host Institution: Princess Marina Hospital, Botswana

"This award will help me to acquire knowledge and skills that will later be used to positively impact the lives of childhood cancer survivors in Rwanda"