







18-months postdoc position (renewable) in Mathematical modelling applied to quantitative antimicrobial resistance

Working place & Conditions. A postdoc position in applied mathematics is available at the <u>IRD</u> in Sénégal. The position is based at Thiès (École polytechnique) and will start on March 1st 2022, with an attractive salary.

Job description. In view of the multiple pathogen evolution capabilities, the long-term efficacy of antimicrobials is a major public health problem. Defining sustainable strategies for managing antimicrobials efficiency, in space and time, by considering the continuous character of antimicrobial resistance – ie. quantitative resistance—with varying degrees of intermediate resistance. The project is aiming to develop Mathematical/Computational models for quantitative antimicrobial resistance at both between- and within-host scales. The successful candidate will develop mathematical models through an approach combining predictive mathematical analysis, scientific computing, optimization-control of an integro-differential system with non-local terms. The successful candidate will be involved in a project funded by the ANR, and will collaborate with a team of applied mathematicians with strong experience in Mathematical/Computational modelling of infectious diseases.

Targeted profile.

- Strong experience in mathematical modeling (including ODE and PDE).
- Strong experience in numerical simulations of models.
- Additional knowledge in optimal control theory as well as an experience in epidemiology or evolutionary modeling are not necessary but will be considered positively.
- Ability to work in an interdisciplinary project involving mathematicians and biologists.

Application procedures & Contact. Send your application in a single PDF file by email to Ramsès Djidjou-Demasse (ramses.djidjoudemasse@ird.fr). Your application must include (i) a letter stating your motivations for this project, (ii) a CV including the names of two referees (with e-mail addresses). You can title your email "Postdoc application - Modelling qAMR". You can contact (ramses.djidjoudemasse@ird.fr) for any further information.

Some references.

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