



Strengthening health research capacity in Africa

## **New Programme of AREF Research Development Fellowships**

The Africa Research Excellence Fund is pleased to give news of a new opportunity for outstanding early-career African researchers.

The new programme of *AREF Research Development Fellowship* is designed to enable talented, African postdoctoral researchers to develop their own research ideas and funding proposals through placements of up to 9-months in leading research organisations in South Africa, UK and continental Europe.

The maximum award is £43,000 GB Pounds for a nine-month Fellowship. The actual amount awarded will depend on the detailed justification provided by the applicant and the institution that hosts their placement.

The *AREF Research Development Fellowships* will formally be launched on 11 May 2015. The first deadline for receipt of applications is **8 July 2015**. The first awards will be announced in October/November 2015.

The purpose of this announcement is to encourage potential candidates develop their ideas and to discuss them with potential advisors in European or South African organisations that could provide exciting, productive placements.

Further details can be found on the Medical Research Foundation website

<http://www.medicalresearchfoundation.org.uk/for-researchers/funding-opportunities/funding-for-african-researchers/>