Postdoctoral Position: Geospatial Analysis of Mosquito-Borne Disease Transmission

We are seeking an enthusiastic postdoctoral researcher to study the environmental determinants of mosquito-borne disease transmission. The position is in the Ecological and Geospatial Research and Applications in Planetary Health (EcoGRAPH) group in the Department of Geography & Environmental Sustainability at the University of Oklahoma.

The postdoc will have a major role in a new NIH-funded study exploring urban landscapes, climate variability, and mosquito transmission in India. This exciting project (R01AI153444) is a collaboration with Cornell University and the University of Chicago. They will also contribute to an established project on West Nile virus forecasting across four U.S. states.

Applicants must have a Ph.D. with a focus on health geography, disease ecology, spatial epidemiology, or a closely related field. The Ph.D. must be completed before starting the position.

The desired candidate would have:

- experience in geospatial modeling, particularly in the use of climate and other environmental datasets to model species distributions and/or disease transmission,
- knowledge of data science platforms (such as R or Python),
- and familiarity with developing workflows for geospatial data processing and analysis.

The position is available as early as May 1, 2021, although a later start date is negotiable, and will be open until filled. Candidates from diverse backgrounds and underrepresented demographics are encouraged to apply. To apply, please send a letter of interest and a CV to Dr. Mike Wimberly at mcwimberly@ou.edu. Please feel free to send an email first if you have questions about the position.

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