

Environmental Health Research – Endocrine Disruptors, Cancer Research Assistant

Silent Spring Institute, a non-profit institute studying the environment and health, seeks research assistant with skills and interests in environmental health science. We are a multi-disciplinary team with expertise in epidemiology, toxicology, chemistry, GIS, community-based research, and communications. Annual budget of approximately \$1.8 million supports a staff of 13, working with collaborating investigators at Harvard, Brown, UC Berkeley etc. Research focuses on breast cancer and environmental pollutants, especially endocrine disrupting compounds and animal mammary gland carcinogens, and path-breaking studies of household exposures.

Responsibilities:

- Provide research support for studies of household contaminants and drinking water pollutants.
- Varied responsibilities include data management, data analysis, literature reviews, coordinating and conducting field sampling, working with community partners, and monitoring environmental policy. Assist with proposals and manuscripts.
- Monitor scientific literature for relevant publications and help manage the Institute's information center/library.
- Opportunities for applicants familiar with R or GIS. Experience with R or ArcIMS and web-based GIS a plus.
- Occasional evening/weekend responsibilities at public events.

Additional Qualifications:

Excellent academic record. Chemistry, biology, statistics, epidemiology, environmental science coursework an asset. Excellent attention to accuracy, quantitative reasoning, good writing and communications skills, ability to work independently within a multidisciplinary team. Commitment to careful and impartial research in a context of partnership between scientists and the public. Visit our web site at www.silentspring.org.

Send cover letter describing your interests and experience, resume, example of your writing, and copy of academic transcript (photocopy is ok) to Anna Claeys, Silent Spring Institute, 29 Crafts Street, Newton, MA 02458 or email to careers@silentspring.org with 'Research Assistant' in the subject line. EO Employer.