Researchers from the NEIL program at TCIN are carrying out a project to clarify the relationship between cognitive function and the stress associated with caring for a spouse with dementia. The project is a longitudinal study involving the assessment of cognitive, psychological, physiological, social, behavioural, and health variables in the caregiver, together with information on the care recipient, at baseline and at 12-month follow-up.

Applications are invited for a research assistant to join this project. The successful candidate will have an undergraduate degree and preferably a relevant Masters degree in psychology or a cognate discipline, and demonstrate an interest and capacity for working with older adults, as well as previously-demonstrated writing, research, and interpersonal skills. A full valid driving license and access to a vehicle is essential.

The post will involve conducting cognitive, psychological and physiological assessments in the homes of caregivers who are participating in the study. The research assistant will also gain valuable experience in conducting literature reviews, data input and analysis, writing for publication, and being a member of a multidisciplinary team. The successful candidate will also have the opportunity to contribute to peer-reviewed publications and conference presentations.

The successful candidate will be based in TCIN within the NEIL programme (www.tcd.ie/neuroscience/neil) and will work closely with a team of researchers whose main focus is on cognitive ageing.

Informal enquiries to mpertl@tcd.ie

To apply please email a cover letter (max 1 page) and a PDF copy of CV along with names and contact information (email addresses if possible) for 2 referees to mpertl@tcd.ie. Shortlisted candidates will be contacted. Interviews will take place between the 29th of April and the 1st of May.

Please label your application as follows:
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