



Training Principles

- **Bilateral Interactions:** Mentorship can involve input from both sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) and non-SSA experts.
- **Africa-Centric Protocols and Practices:** Cancer research in SSA can be based on those developed in the US and elsewhere, but these must be adapted to the SSA setting to address African needs and questions.
- **Results generated by cancer researchers in SSA should have:**
 - Global scientific impact and Local health impact

Training Tracks

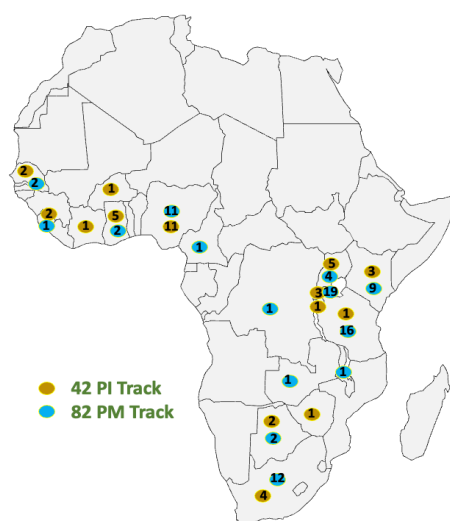
- **A Principal Investigator (PI-STARS) Track:** For Doctoral-level Investigators who will be trained to demonstrated leadership in independent and collaborative research.
- **A Project Manager (PM-STARS) Track:** For those interested in gaining skills in Project Management to be able to support the conduct of research.

124 Trainees selectively chosen over 4 Training Cycles

**65 Men
59 Women**

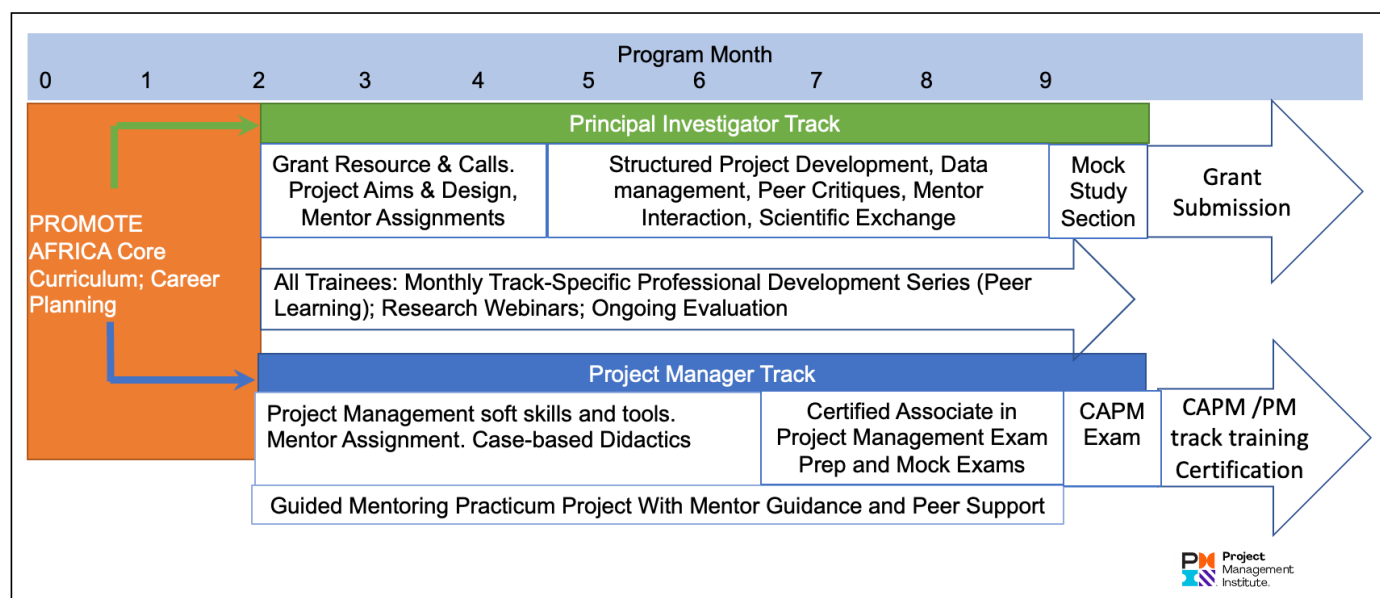
Trainee Interests

Biobanking
Biomarkers
Breast Cancer
Clinical Psychology
Epidemiology
Genetics
Immunology
Implementation Sciences
Liver Cancer
Molecular Biology
Nursing
Palliative Care
Pathology
Pediatric Cancer
Pharmacology
Prostate Cancer
Radiobiology
Surgical Oncology
Urologic Oncology



Country	N	%
Botswana	4	3.2
Burkina Faso	1	0.8
Burundi	1	0.8
Cameroon	1	0.8
Cote D'Ivoire	1	0.8
DRC	1	0.8
Ghana	7	5.6
Kenya	12	9.7
Malawi	1	0.8
Nigeria	22	17.8
Rwanda	22	17.8
Senegal	4	3.2
Sierra Leone	3	2.4
South Africa	16	12.9
Tanzania	17	13.7
Uganda	9	7.3
Zambia	1	0.8
Zimbabwe	1	0.8

Training Activities & Timeline



Training Cycle 5

We are now accepting applications for our fifth cycle of training.

Key Dates

Milestone	Date / Time (UTC)
Cycle 5 Program Announcement and Applications Open	October 6, 2025
Letter of Intent (LOI) Due Date (online submission)	December 19, 2025, 23:59 UTC
Application Due Date	February 6, 2026, 23:59 UTC
Scientific Merit Review	March 2026
Decisions Announced	April 10, 2026
Training Start Date	May 11, 2026

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Program Details



Letter of intent



Application form

