IARC and Lalla Salma Foundation sign new partnership

The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) and the Lalla Salma Foundation (LSF) have signed a new agreement to promote cancer research in Morocco and support the country’s national cancer prevention and control plans.

Created in 2005 under the auspices of Princess Lalla Salma, the Foundation is an independent nongovernmental organization dedicated to making the fight against cancer a public priority in Morocco.

Working closely with the country’s Ministry of Health, the Foundation has been jointly responsible for coordinating the development and implementation of Morocco’s national cancer control programmes.

The new Memorandum of Understanding signed in Rabat between IARC and LSF will further develop collaboration in key areas such as early detection and prevention of cancer, with a specific focus on cervical cancer screening programmes.

The cooperative agreement also aims to enhance research on cancer etiology, strengthen cancer registration, and support education and training for scientists in Morocco and other francophone African countries.