

Candidate Information

Position: Research Assistant, CCRCB

School/Department: School of Medicine, Dentistry and Biomedical Sciences

Reference: 19/107570

Closing Date: Wednesday 24 July 2019

Salary: £27,831 - £32,236 per annum (potential to progress to £35,210 per annum

through sustained exceptional contribution)

Anticipated Interview Date: Tuesday 13 August 2019

Duration: 1 year

JOB PURPOSE:

To contribute to ongoing studies of urological cancers.

MAJOR DUTIES:

- 1. Use in vitro cell and tissue models to identify the role of ion channel and GPCR signalling.
- 2. To perform other molecular and physiological assays as required.
- 3. To support ongoing clinical samples research as necessary.
- 4. To present progress reports to the team and supervisor regularly.
- 5. Participate in laboratory duty rotas and to maintain consumable stocks and perform troubleshooting.
- 6. To supervise laboratory work of postgraduate and undergraduate students.
- 7. To comply with health and safety procedures affecting self and others and ensure the work area is clean and safe at all times.

Planning and Organising:

- 1. To plan and deliver the specific goals of research programmes and contribute to research group planning.
- 2. To plan for the use of research resources, data resources where appropriate and maintain up to date records.
- 3. To plan own day-to day activity within framework of the agreed research programme.
- 4. To coordinate and liaise with other members of the research group over work progress.

Internal and External Relationships:

- 1. To liaise on a regular basis with colleagues, students and clinical teams.
- 2. Attendance and involvement at seminars and research meetings in the CCRCB.

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:

- 1. BSc in Biomedical Sciences, Physiology, Pharmacology or a closely related area.
- 2. At least one year of relevant laboratory experience (e.g. molecular biology, physiology).
- 3. Experience with cell culture.
- 4. Experience with molecular techniques e.g. PCR, Western blot, immunofluorescence.
- 5. Demonstrable experience of good laboratory practice.
- 6. Clarity of thinking and ability to address a variety of research topics.
- 7. Good team working skills.
- 8. Organisation and planning skills, with good attentiion to detail.
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- 10. Good communication and interpersonal skills.
- 11. Be capable of using own initiative.
- 12. Ability to work and communicate clearly in a team and as an individual.
- 13. Ability to plan own work schedule and meet deadlines, responding to new pressures and adjusting priorities.
- 14. Must be willing to work irregular hours when necessary for the progress of the research project.

DESIRABLE CRITERIA:

- 1. Current personal licence for in vivo work.
- 2. Experience in tissue dissection.
- 3. Experience in live cell imaging.
- 4. Experience in flow cytometry.
- 5. Ability to make presentations at conferences.