

# **Candidate Information**

Position: Technician

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

**Reference:** 22/109750

Closing Date: Monday 16 May 2022
Salary: £24,871 per annum
Duration: Fixed term for 2 years

## JOB PURPOSE:

To work as an active member of a lung cancer research team focussed on understanding the function of tumour associated immune cells. Successful candidate will assist in the implementation and delivery of MRC funded research project with a particular focus on immune cell profiling in in vivo models.

#### **MAJOR DUTIES:**

- 1. Colony maintenance and genotyping. Maintain very accurate records of the laboratory's in vivo work undertaken in line with Dept of Health (DoH) legal requirements and assist in the annual returns.
- 2. Assist with immunological assays and deep immune cell profiling from in vivo experiments, using technologies such as (but not limited to) multi-parameter flow cytometry.
- 3. Process, embed and section histological samples from experimental tissue generated from in vivo experiments. Conduct immunohistochemical staining and imaging.
- 4. Conduct critical evaluation and interpretation, computer-based data analysis / evaluation or library research in consultation with the line manager.
- 5. Write up results of own work and contribute to the production of research lab meeting, manuscripts and future grant proposals.
- 6. Provide technical advice and guidance to students in the use and construction of specialist equipment and apparatus. Carry out demonstrating/teaching duties as deemed necessary and appropriate.
- 7. Comply with Health and Safety procedures affecting self and others and ensure the work area is clean and safe at all times.
- 8. Assist in any way deemed appropriate to the overall success of the research objectives of the group and the Centre.
- 9. Carry out any other duties designated by a line manager and which fall within the general remit of the post.
- 10. Responsible for maintaining stock levels, to ensure there is adequate stock at all times.

### **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:**

- 1. \*Academic and/or vocational qualifications ie ONC/OND and/or NVQ level 3 in biology, medical laboratory science or related subject (or equivalent).
- 2. \*3 years relevant experience in cancer biology including cell culture and co-culture assays, immunological assays and immunohistochemical staining and imaging.
- 3. Sufficient breadth or depth of specialist knowledge in the discipline and of research methods and techniques to work within the area of tumour immunology.
- 4. Knowledge of relevant health and safety issues and of COSHH regulations.
- 5. Ability to interact with research colleagues and support staff.
- 6. Good communication and interpersonal skills.
- 7. Ability to analyse and communicate effectively.
- 8. Ability to develop and demonstrate standard equipment and techniques.
- 9. Demonstrable intellectual ability.
- 10. Work as part of a team and as an individual.
- Ability to plan and schedule responding to new pressures and adjusting project priorities.

- 12. Excellent record keeping skills to facilitate internal auditing and external reporting.
- 13. Must be willing to work irregular hours when necessary for the progress of the research project.

## **DESIRABLE CRITERIA:**

- 1. \*Degree or equivalent in subject relevant to research activity, i.e. immunology.
- 2. \*Active UK home office/department of health personal license.
- 3. \*Experience with murine tumour models.
- 4. \*Experience in multi-parameter flow cytometry.
- 5. Ability to teach laboratory techniques to new staff members and students.