

# **Candidate Information**

Position:	Research Assistant
School/Department:	Patrick G Johnston Centre for Cancer Research
Reference:	22/110566
Closing Date:	Monday 6 February 2023
Salary:	£29,619 - £34,308 per annum
Anticipated Interview Date:	Thursday 2 March 2023
Duration:	Fixed term until 29 November 2023

## 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, organised and safe at all times.

## **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. Experience in live cell imaging and/or electrophysiology.
- 6. Demonstrable experience of good laboratory practice.
- 7. Clarity of thinking and ability to address a variety of research topics.
- 8. Good team working skills.
- 9. Organisation and planning skills, with excellent attention to detail.
- 10. Excellent record keeping skills.
- 11. Good communication and interpersonal skills.
- 12. Be capable of using own initiative.
- 13. Ability to work and communicate clearly in a team and as an individual.
- 14. Ability to plan own work schedule and meet deadlines, responding to new pressures and adjusting priorities.
- 15. Must be willing to work irregular hours when necessary for the progress of the research project.
- 16. Must be willing and able to travel to national and international meetings.
- 17. Must demonstrate a willingness to commit for the length of the project.

## **DESIRABLE CRITERIA:**

- 1. Current personal licence for in vivo work.
- 2. MSc in Biomedical Sciences, Physiology, Pharmacology or a closely related area.
- 3. Experience in tissue dissection.
- 4. Experience in flow cytometry.
- 5. Ability to make presentations at conferences.