

## Candidate Information

**Position:** Research Assistant (Maternity Cover)  
**School/Department:** School of Medicine, Dentistry and Biomedical Sciences  
**Reference:** 23/110729  
**Closing Date:** Monday 27 March 2023  
**Salary:** £29,619 per annum  
**Anticipated Interview Date:** Monday 17 and Wednesday 19 April 2023  
**Duration:** Fixed Term, available until 31 March 2024

### JOB PURPOSE:

To assist in the planning and delivery of work within the Northern Ireland Clinical Research Facility (NICRF) and research group of Professor Judy Bradley.

The Research Assistant will become an integral member of the NICRF and will support the general running of the Facility as well as participate in established and new projects.

There will also be opportunity to participate in pilot and collaborative studies.

### MAJOR DUTIES:

1. Undertake basic research activities, critical evaluation and interpretation, computer-based data analysis and evaluation or library research in consultation with the supervisor.
2. Write up results of designated work and contribute to the production of research reports, publications, proposals and PowerPoint presentations.
3. Present regular progress reports on research to members of the research group or to external audiences to disseminate and publicise research findings.
4. Perform experiments as part of internal and external collaborative projects.
5. Perform pilot studies.
6. May contribute to introductory courses, for example, on the use of research methods and equipment.
7. Carry out student supervision/demonstrating/teaching duties under direction.
8. Carry out routine administrative duties, as requested, e.g. group meetings, website.
9. Read academic papers, journals and textbooks to keep abreast of developments.
10. Undergo training in skills and techniques relevant to the post.
11. Carry out any other duties designated by a line manager and which fall within the general ambit of the post.

### ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:

1. Honours degree or equivalent in subject relevant to research activity.
2. At least 1 year's recent, relevant experience in research or clinical practice.
3. Willingness to contribute to the School and project outreach activities in a professional manner.
4. Strong analytical and problem-solving skills.
5. Sufficient breadth and depth of specialist knowledge in the discipline and of research methods and techniques to work within established research programmes.
6. Ability to communicate complex information clearly.
7. Ability to build contacts and participate in internal and external networks.
8. Good team-working skills in multiple team settings as well as leadership qualities.
9. Excellent problem-solving skills and ability to use own initiative.
10. Willingness to handle participant samples.
11. Willingness to be flexible to meet the deadlines of the post.

12. Willingness to travel, as required.
13. Appointment to this post is subject to the successful candidate's Enhanced Criminal Record Check.

**DESIRABLE CRITERIA:**

1. Masters and/or have or be about to obtain a PhD in biomedical research.
2. Clinical Trial experience.
3. Laboratory experience.
4. Current certificate of Good Clinical Practice.
5. At least 3 years' recent, relevant research experience including PhD work.
6. Grant, manuscript and abstract writing experience.
7. Publications commensurate with career stage.
8. Have, or about to produce, a peer-reviewed publication from previous research work.
9. Experience with research project management.
10. Evidence of having presented at conferences (poster or oral).