

### **Candidate Information**

Position: Research Fellow

**School/Department:** Patrick G Johnston Centre for Cancer Research

**Reference:** 23/111183

Closing Date: Monday 11 September 2023

Salary: £37,099 per annum
Anticipated Interview Date: Friday 22 September 2023

**Duration:** Fixed term until 31 December 2023

# **JOB PURPOSE:**

The work will involve the investigation of the aggressive biology associated with Triple Negative Breast Cancer (TNBC). This is a Breast Cancer Ireland funded position. The post holder will be required to perform a range of cutting-edge methodologies, through both in vitro and in vivo modelling of TNBC. The post holder will be an active member of a research project/team assisting in the planning and delivery of the research activity within a specified area, so that the overall research objectives of the project/school are met.

Additionally, the successful applicant will be expected to contribute to the day to day running of the molecular biology labs.

#### **MAJOR DUTIES:**

- 1. To design, develop and execute experiments related to the above described project under the supervision of Professor Paul Mullan
- 2. Carry out analyses, critical evaluations, and interpretations using methodologies and other techniques appropriate to area of research.
- 3. Present regular progress reports on research to members of the research group or to external audiences to disseminate and publicise research findings.
- 4. Prepare, in consultation with supervisor, material for publication in national and international journals and presentations at international conferences.
- 5. The appointed individual will be encouraged to formulate, write and submit grants for fellowship awards, project and travel support.
- 6. To assist with the supervision of postgraduate students, honours or summer students on mini-projects, which will help develop their own supervisory skills.
- 7. Carry out routine administrative tasks associated with the research project/s to ensure that project/s are completed on time and within budget.
- 8. Read academic papers, journals and textbooks to keep abreast of developments in own specialism and related disciplines and to maintain awareness of the context of the research project.
- 9. Any other reasonable duties within the general ambit of the post and competence of post holder.

#### **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:**

- 1. Have or be about to obtain a PhD life sciences (biochemistry, molecular biology or related subject).
- 2. Specific, relevant research experience.
- 3. Experience in mammalian cell culture.
- 4. Experience in molecular biology and protein analysis techniques, including: PCR/cloning, RNA interference, immunoblotting, QPCR, cell cycle analysis, in vitro cell line drugging.
- 5. Must have published paper(s) in quality journals to a level commensurate with their research experience.
- 6. Ability to contribute to broader management and administrative processes.
- 7. Contribute to the School's outreach programme by links with industry, community groups etc.

- 8. Possess sufficient breadth and depth of specialist knowledge in the discipline and of research methods and techniques, where appropriate, to work within established research programmes.
- 9. High level of analytical capability.
- 10. Ability to communicate complex information clearly.
- 11. Ability to assess and organise resources.
- 12. Ability to contribute to broader management and administrative processes.
- 13. Ability to communicate complex information clearly in both oral and written formats.
- 14. Ability to build contacts and participate in internal and external networks.
- 15. High level of analytical capability.
- 16. Ability to assess and organise resources.

## **DESIRABLE CRITERIA:**

- 1. 1st Class undergraduate degree in life sciences.
- 2. Masters degree in life sciences.
- 3. Commitment to professional development, as evidenced by Scientific memberships eg. AACR.
- 4. Experience of immunoprecipitation experiments including Chromatin IP.
- 5. Experience in bioinformatics and in the analyses of high throughput datasets.
- 6. Experience of phenotypic assays (viability, invasion, esiRNA/siRNA/CRISPR screens).
- 7. In vivo modelling experience of cancer.
- 8. Previous track record of high-quality research in the field of cancer biology.
- 9. Evidence of scientific writing skills.
- 10. Evidence of participation in training/mentoring of students or junior staff.