



Preclinical Team Manager

ABOUT RXCELERATE

The RxAccelerate group is an out-sourced drug discovery and development platform specialising in the design and delivery of drug discovery and development programs for our clients spanning from an idea up to and including Phase II clinical studies.

We are currently looking to recruit a Preclinical Team Manager to lead a small team of *in vivo* scientists within our Preclinical division. Our *in vivo* scientists specialise in working with clients to develop bespoke preclinical animal models of disease that are suitable for answering the specific research questions being asked, as well as investigating the tolerability and pharmacokinetics of potential therapeutics.

THE ROLE

Your primary responsibility will be to lead the team through the design, management, and analysis of a broad range of *in vivo* studies. You are expected to have extensive experience in the design and conduct of animal studies and the role will provide a great variety in the projects undertaken. You should be self-motivated and able to organise, research and perform experiments effectively, accurately and to a high standard. Excellent and accurate record keeping with a high level of computer literacy is essential. You will work in multi-disciplinary collaborations with external scientists as well as other divisions within RxAccelerate, involving a high level of teamwork.

Main Responsibilities

- To manage a small team of *in vivo* scientists and effectively manage the *in vivo* research projects assigned to your team.
- Form part of the management team for this division and support the Preclinical Director to develop the group in line with business needs.
- Contribute expertise to the design and scientific research of *in vivo* projects.
- Analyse efficacy, tolerability and PK/PD data and produce reports to tight deadlines.
- Present update reports and data to key stakeholders.
- Assist in the supervision and training of staff.
- Work closely with other RxAccelerate divisions to ensure the successful delivery and analysis of *in vivo* projects.

Skills/Requirements

Essential

- PhD (or equivalent) with extensive experience of post-PhD research in industry or academia.
- Proven track record of independently planning, running and overseeing *in vivo* studies.
- Significant experience managing the operational and logistical aspects of *in vivo* studies.
- Significant experience of analysing and interpreting a broad range of datasets.
- Experience of providing inspirational and motivational Line Management to a small team. Including experience of setting team and individual goals and providing routine evaluations of progress toward these goals.
- Currently holds or has recently held a PIL.
- Excellent understanding of the regulatory and compliance aspects of *in vivo* work.
- Excellent scientific communication skills, including the ability to write study proposals and reports as well as the ability to present data to a diverse audience.
- Experience of contributing scientific expertise to project teams.
- Previous experience of contributing to the strategy and direction of research projects, ideally with *in vivo* aspects.
- Flexible: ability to react to changing priorities.
- Highly organised and self-motivated.
- Ability to multitask and work across multiple projects simultaneously.
- Excellent level of computer literacy.

Desirable

- Currently hold or recently held a PPL.
- Knowledge/experience of drug discovery and development.
- Experience of setting up a new rodent model of disease.
- In-depth knowledge of a variety of *in vivo* disease models.

This is a full-time role, which includes weekend working when required by ongoing studies. RxCelerate offers a competitive salary with an annual bonus scheme, company pension and company benefit package (life assurance, critical illness and medical insurance).

If you wish to apply for this role, please send your CV and a covering letter outlining how you meet the competencies in PDF format to careers@rxcelerate.com. Informal enquiries can also be directed to this email address.

RxCelerate values and actively supports equality, diversity and inclusion and encourages applications from all sections of society.