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International Project Manager

Neurodegenerative Diseases Research Group

A new Project Manager position is available in the team of Prof. Miquel Vila to manage and coordinate an ambitious, trans-disciplinary \$11M research project funded from the Aligning Science Across Parkinson's (ASAP) initiative. ASAP is partnering with The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research (MJFF) to implement and issue this grant.

The project team led by Prof. Vila will be investigating the molecular mechanisms linking brain circuit activity to Parkinson's disease (PD) vulnerability, identify brain circuits through which PD pathology spreads across the brain and periphery, establish non-neuronal mechanisms of PD progression and determine whether modulation of neuromelanin levels and/or brain circuit activity can restore PD circuit dysfunction & pathology. The project team includes scientists from Spain, Australia, Germany, Italy and Sweden (for more information: <https://parkinsonsroadmap.org/research-network/circuitry/>).

JOB DESCRIPTION

Education and qualifications:

Required:

- PhD-level training, preferably in a biomedical discipline, with experience in a lab setting and project management skills.

Desired:

- Hands-on experience in a life sciences (preferably neuroscience) research laboratory.

Experience and knowledge:

Required:

- At least 3-5 years experience with multi-partner international scientific project management
- At least 3-5 years of experience in reporting and scientific writing.
- Strong organizational skills.
- Ability to work in a team and in a fast-paced environment, and to meet deadlines.
- Excellent social and diplomatic skills.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills in English.



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- Availability to travel (at least once a year)

Desired:

- Knowledge of Data Protection legislation, research ethics administration and in supporting researchers apply for ethical approval.

Main responsibilities and duties:

- Assist the Coordinating Lead PI of the project with the day-to-day coordination of all team efforts to consistently maintain a high level of functionality and communication.
- Serve as a bridge between the team's scientific work and its operations, and between members of other ASAP teams, allowing lead investigators to focus on the science.
- Liaise with funder staff (ASAP and MJFF) including other facilitators to report on progress and any barriers or resource needs.
- Serve as the key point-of-contact with the project consortium members. Ensure that researchers communicate about current work plans, problems, resource needs, and create groups and ad hoc discussions as necessary.
- Organize and moderate project subgroup and annual meetings, report and follow up on action items, and ensure the team is on track with milestones.
- Assist with editing and posting presentations for easy and quick access by other teams and external associates.
- Keep profiles of lab members up to date within the ASAP Virtual Hub, with an eye toward promoting interaction within and between teams.
- Develop and maintain a network of all relevant stakeholders within the ASAP project.
- Help identify innovative ideas and opportunities for scientific collaboration within the ASAP network.
- Attend in-person annual meetings of the ASAP Collaborative Research Network.
- Connect with the VHIR Innovation Unit in the valorization and technology transfer of the project's assets.

Labour conditions:

- Full-time position: 40h/week.
- Flexible combination of remote and on-site work.
- Starting date: immediate.



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- Gross annual salary: 40 000 – 45 000 euros (negotiable based on experience and skills. Salary ranges are consistent with our Collective Agreement pay scale)
- Contract: the initial contract is for 3 years, linked to the ASAP project.

What can we offer?

- Opportunity to coordinate an exciting large international multicenter trans-disciplinary research project and make an impact for people living with brain diseases.
- Incorporation to Vall d'Hebron Research Institute (VHIR), a public sector institution that promotes and develops the biomedical research, innovation and teaching at Vall d'Hebron University Hospital (HUVH), the biggest hospital of Barcelona and the largest of Catalan Institute of Health (ICS).
- A scientific environment of excellence, highly dynamic, where high-end biomedical projects are continuously developed.
- Continuous learning and a wide range of responsibilities within a stimulating work environment.
- Personal training opportunities.
- Flexible working hours.
- 23 days of holidays + 9 personal days.
- Flexible Remuneration Program (including dining checks, health insurance, transportation and more).

How to apply:

Applicants should submit a full Curriculum Vitae and a cover letter with the reference “ASAP Project Manager” to the following email addresses: miquel.vila@vhir.org and seleccio@vhir.org