FULLTIME & PERMANENT POSITION

Please send CV & Cover letter to:

recruitment@galvmed.org Closing Date: 1st April 2024

Job Title	African Animal Trypanocide Development Project Leader R & D Department
Location:	Based in UK (Edinburgh) or East Africa (Nairobi, Kenya) with considerable international travel.
Reporting Line:	Head of Research & Development
Key Interfaces:	External consultants; Commercial partner project team; Collaborating CDMO and CRO staff; GALVmed governance, project team and administrative staff; Donors; Scientific community, NGO and international organisations.

Main Purpose and Scope of the Job

In order to support the activities of the African Animal Trypanoside (AAT) project, the AAT Development Project Leader will be responsible for timelines, budgets, resources and stakeholder management. The project Leader will provide coordination for project communications and reporting of these activities.

Key Activities

Lead and support the African Animal Trypanoside (AAT) project.

- Provide development project leadership: co-ordinate project scientific activities, contracts, logistics and communications, towards completion with commercial partner.
- Manage financial resources and scheduling of programme activities.
- Track project progress, opportunities and challenges and inform appropriately.
- Manage team of technical consultants.
- Manage interactions with donors, CMDOs, CROs, collaborating organisations and media.
- Provide scientific and technical assessment and guidance to inform design of development, conduct and reporting of programme studies and activities.
- Prepare and contribute to scientific reports and manuscripts for peer-review publication.
- Represent GALVmed and the AAT project at international scientific, regulatory and governance meetings.
- Co-ordinate archiving and transfer to commercial partner of study data and documentation.
- Report project progress to donor, commercial partner and GALVmed governance.

Qualifications and Experienced Required

Essential

- Life sciences degree.
- Broad and practical knowledge of drug and diagnostics development process and phases of development.
- Experience in commercial veterinary pharmaceutical product research and development.
- Experience in laboratory and field clinical trials, and knowledge and application of GCP.
- Experience planning, managing, and executing drug development projects.
- Demonstrable experience in collaborations with academic researchers and international development organisations.
- Knowledge of animal welfare and other related international regulatory requirements relating to clinical development and movement of genetic resources.
- Ability to prioritise and manage complex and diverse activities.
- Demonstrable experience of effective development team leadership and project management.
- Demonstrable excellent organizational skills and ability to effectively co-ordinate activities of multiple project partners.
- Ability to negotiate and interact well with commercial, academic, government and NGO partners.
- Ability to work autonomously, unsupervised and in different international locations, as necessary.
- Demonstrable attention to detail.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills within multicultural operational environment.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills within context of formal reporting and governance meetings.
- Excellent written and verbal fluency in English.
- Ability to travel in Europe and Africa as necessary.

Desirable

- Postgraduate qualifications in life sciences.
- Veterinary degree.
- Experience planning and managing complex international development projects.
- Experience collaborating with academic and international development organisations.
- Experience in academic and public veterinary pharmaceutical product research and development.
- Experience in the following disciplines: CMC, pharmacokinetics, ADME, toxicology and tissue residues.
- Experience planning, managing, and executing laboratory and field clinical trials in Africa.
- Experience in pharmaceutical quality control and assurance, and an awareness of issues related to sub-standard and counterfeit drugs.
- Experience in international shipment of biological materials including biological samples, e.g. blood and tissue, infectious agents and infectious biological samples, reagents, and consumables and equipment, especially within Africa and from Africa to Europe and Nth America.
- Knowledge of African animal and human trypanosomosis disease control and pathology.
- Practical experience using project management tools, e.g. MS-Project, to plan, manage and execute projects.
- Fluency in French and Swahili.