

## **Help us turn great science into greater patient impact.**

We're seeking new Trustees to help us in our pioneering work.

LifeArc\* is an independent medical research charity with over 25 years' experience in helping scientists and organisations turn their research into effective diagnostics and treatments.

We're now on a mission to pioneer new ways to turn great science into greater patient impact. We want to help as many patients as possible by identifying unmet needs that medical innovation can address.

Our track record of success (e.g. Keytruda, Tysabri, Actemra and Entyvio) has given us the financial power, with current cash and investments in excess of £150m, to think differently and invest in the health challenges we really believe in.

We're currently seeking new Trustees to help support, safeguard and maximise our life-changing work.

### **About you**

We're looking for a new Trustee with strengths in one or more of these specialist areas:

- Current or recent strategic leadership experience within an emerging biotech business, coupled with an understanding of the particular challenges facing the biotech SME community
- Clinical, pharmaceutical development, diagnostics development, regulatory, technology transfer, or intellectual property expertise at a senior level, ideally gained within a pharmaceutical or life science environment
- Third sector experience - to support our growing work with third sector partners
- A significant background in industry, banking or finance, and, ideally, experience of bringing real value to non-executive director remits in influential businesses

To ensure a good balance of board skills and expertise, we're also currently looking for this combination of skills, knowledge and experience:

- Previous board or equivalent experience in any aspect of health sciences and care
- Knowledge and understanding of a Trustee's roles and responsibilities
- Experience and skills in governance
- A commitment to promoting public health by improving the translation of medical research
- An understanding of the importance of Equality and Diversity

### **Your role as a Trustee**

Our Board of Trustees plays a vital part in ensuring we remain stable, strong, and effective in working towards our aims - both now and into the future.

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\* Formerly known as Medical Research Council Technology

As a Trustee, you and your colleagues will be there to:

- make sure we comply with our governing document, charity law, company law, and other relevant legislation or regulations
- ensure we pursue our objectives as defined in our governing document and that we put our resources solely behind them
- help protect our Vision and Values
- encourage us, our members, and our wider stakeholders to engage effectively with one another, and to promote, communicate and nurture those relationships
- ensure systems are in place, such that our administration is effective and efficient
- guide and approve the strategic priorities
- ensure controls are in place to safeguard our assets and ensure we have a sound financial framework to operate within
- protect and manage our assets and agree long-term investment objectives

### **Your own, individual contribution**

Any individual skills and experience you bring as a Trustee will be welcomed in the boardroom. In this way, each Trustee makes their own unique contribution to the board's decisions. Depending on your background and knowledge, your additional duties might involve:

- overseeing key issues in different areas of the organisation
- guiding new initiatives
- supporting our communications and promotional work
- retaining an overview and understanding of the work programmes and practices of the CEO and employees

### **Your commitment to us**

We ask all our Trustees to commit to:

- attend all meetings - six board meetings each financial year (including our AGM)
- undertake due preparation for each meeting
- promote and inform others of LifeArc's work
- become a member of one or more of the following committees:
  - Scientific
  - Investment Management
  - Audit and Risk Management
  - Remuneration
  - Nomination

In addition, we ask our Trustees, where possible, to commit to representing LifeArc at meetings, functions and events, and to broker meetings with third parties whose partnership could be valuable to us.

Please note this is a voluntary role. On election, all Trustees are required by law to sign a Trustee Declaration Form and declare any conflicts of interest.

LifeArc is committed to the principles and practices of equal opportunities and to encouraging the establishment of a diverse workforce. This includes creating a culture that fully reflects our commitment to equal opportunities for all.

Applications for the role of Trustee are via Nurole. To apply, please register here: <https://www.nurole.com/request>. Once registered, you will be able to apply for the role via their website.

Application closing date: 5 July 2017