



## **Senior Project Manager Stevenage**

LifeArc is a self-funded medical research charity. Our mission is to advance translation of early science into health care treatments or diagnostics that can be taken through to full development and made available to patients. We have been doing this for more than 25 years and our work has resulted in a diagnostic for antibiotic resistance and four licensed medicines.

Our success allows us to explore new approaches to stimulate and fund translation. We have our own drug discovery and diagnostics development facilities, supported by experts in technology transfer and intellectual property who also provide services to other organisations. Our model is built on collaboration, and we partner with a broad range of groups including medical research charities, research organisations, industry and academic scientists. We are motivated by patient need and scientific opportunity.

### **Job summary**

We require a highly experienced Senior Project Manager who will be responsible for the management, strategic implementation and successful completion of scientific or technical projects and programmes within LifeArc.

The role requires both excellent scientific and technical understanding relevant to the field of therapeutic research or technology implementation, coupled with extensive cross-functional project management experience from the project to the programme level.

### **The role:**

In this role, you will be part of a dynamic multidisciplinary team located in LifeArc's Centre for Therapeutic Discovery based in Stevenage. You will act as key business partner to the Functional Heads, work closely with project leaders and research scientists, ensuring strategy is translated into achievable operational plans and that project activities are delivered to the highest quality standards and within agreed timelines and budget.

To be considered for this role you must have the following experience:

- Experience of early development and / or discovery research within the life-sciences industry
- Practical experience of deploying project management tools to support project teams
- Experience of operating through to program portfolio level
- Prior Biopharma experience (>5 years)
- Educated to at least BSc degree, Life Science subject strongly preferred.
- Formal qualification in project management, Project Management Professional (PMP) certification preferred.

### **Who you are:**

You must be able to demonstrate senior experience and technical understanding within the life-sciences industry. You will possess the ability to critically and objectively interpret and evaluate scientific and business-related information, and challenge assumptions. You will have excellent planning and organising skills with ability to set clear expectations, drive accountability and the tenacity to drive projects to conclusion. You will showcase excellent communication, negotiation and interpersonal skills, ability to influence without authority in a matrix environment. You will have the ability to work independent and drive a continuous improvement culture. You will also be highly skilled in building external networks to access capabilities to support delivery.

### **Salary:**

Your salary will be determined by qualifications and experience. In addition, LifeArc offers a defined contribution pension scheme, private health insurance, a flexible benefits scheme, 31 days paid holiday per year.

LifeArc is committed to the principles and practices of equal opportunities and to encouraging the establishment of a diverse workforce. It is our policy to employ individuals on the basis of their suitability for the work to be performed and their potential for development, regardless of age, sex, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, disability, marital status, pregnancy or maternity, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, religion or belief. This includes creating a culture that fully reflects our commitment to equal opportunities for all.

To apply please email your CV and covering letter explaining why you want to work for LifeArc to: [adam.rudman@lifearc.org](mailto:adam.rudman@lifearc.org) or by post to Recruitment, LifeArc, Accelerator Building, Open Innovation Campus, Stevenage, SG1 2FX (electronic applications preferred).

**Closing Date** – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2021