

JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE:	Research Partnerships Manager
STATUS:	Full-Time
HOURS:	35 hours per week 9:00am – 5:00pm (JDRF operates a flexible working hour policy)
SALARY:	£40,450 per annum
HOLIDAY:	25 days per annum increasing with years of service
LOCATION:	Hybrid working – Part office-based (Angel, EC1V London) part home-based
REPORTS TO:	Director of Research Partnerships
KEY INTERNAL RELATIONSHIPS:	Chief Executive, Senior Management Team, Research Communications team, Research staff at Breakthrough T1D international affiliates and Scientific Advisory Committee, other Heads of Team within JDRF
KEY EXTERNAL RELATIONSHIPS:	Public and private medical research funders and agencies, diabetes-related charities, other autoimmune charities

JDRF is the type 1 diabetes charity, improving lives until we find the cure. We fund research to cure, treat and prevent type 1 diabetes. We provide information for children and adults living with the condition at all stages from diagnosis. We give a voice to people with type 1 diabetes and campaign for increased focus on and funding for research to find the cure.

We want our employees to be committed and prepared to go the extra mile to assist us in finding the cure for type 1. Whatever your role is within JDRF you can be guaranteed that your work will always be rewarding. Get involved and use your skills to help JDRF find the cure for type 1.

PURPOSE OF THE ROLE

To support the Director of Research Partnerships to increase and improve type 1 diabetes research in the UK by actively bringing together the expertise and resources to leverage JDRF's research opportunities, create additional value and progress in type 1 research in the UK. Maximise opportunities for UK-based researchers to engage with the charity's international initiatives, in line with the global Breakthrough T1D research strategy.

Increase UK funding opportunities relevant to people with type 1 diabetes by working with a wide variety of stakeholders

To support fundraising activities restricted to research

Represent JDRF and type 1 diabetes research to a different audience at a range of events

You will work with:

- UK type 1 diabetes-focused researchers
- The Breakthrough T1D Research department: the team that directs and develops our global research programme and research priorities
- Other European type 1 research contacts, including Dr. Carmen Hurtado del Pozo, Director European Research at Breakthrough T1D
- Other relevant UK research interest groups and stakeholders (for example Wellcome Trust, Diabetes UK, AMRC and other autoimmunity medical research charities)
- UK medical research funding agencies (such as Innovate UK, Medical Research Council and National Institute of Health Research, arm's length bodies such as Genomics England and contacts in research funding agencies within devolved nations etc.)
- People affected by type 1 diabetes

Key tasks:

- Identify opportunities to increase and improve type 1 research in the UK consistent with our research priority goals and programmes and work with the Breakthrough T1D research team to lead our involvement in these areas.
- Work with the Director of Research Partnerships to raise JDRF's profile within the UK medical research community and maximise opportunities for existing and future research programmes across the UK to be relevant to and aligned with the priorities of JDRF's global research strategy.
- Support and develop the Connect Immune Research partnership, working with existing partners to move forward on the Connect Immune Research ambitions, developing new collaborative opportunities and working to bring new partners on board.
- Work with the Head of Research Operations to make new research partnerships and funding opportunities practical, deliverable and appropriate to the UK research community.
- Manage meetings that will bring together UK researchers in academia and industry to encourage the development of collaborations and partnerships that harness UK

research strengths to answer the research challenges posed by our international research strategy and the needs of people with type 1 diabetes in the UK.

- Network with relevant scientists and clinicians to identify new research opportunities that fit within our global research strategy and encourage and support more researchers to apply to our funding opportunities and to other appropriate sources for research funding.
- Act as a representative for the charity and an advocate for the needs of people with type 1 in a variety of settings, from fundraising and policy events to research meetings and industry events.
- Provide on-the-ground insight about the type 1 diabetes research environment in the UK, and insight about policy, regulatory and payer attitudes relevant to our mission to colleagues in the Breakthrough T1D research team.
- Liaise with research counterparts in Australia, Canada and other international affiliates to help identify and facilitate type 1 diabetes-relevant activities beyond the UK.

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
Experience:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to horizon scan and act swiftly to maximise benefits • The ability to work in multiple teams and promote collaboration across different teams and department • Experience of managing multi stakeholder research partnerships 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge of current research developments within type 1 diabetes and autoimmunity fields • Previous experience working with either a pharmaceutical or regulatory environment • Experience of supporting researchers to develop partnerships and consortia • Experience of working to deliver meaningful patient and public involvement in research
Skills:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent communications skills, oral and written, with ability to summarise complex issues into easily understood language • Strong project management skills and the ability to deliver projects to a high standard • Excellent computer skills, knowledge of grant management systems, Microsoft Word, Powerpoint and Excel • Ability to work independently and as a member of the team. • Ability to develop professional relationships both internally and externally at a senior level • Ability to build business cases and present new opportunities in a structured, rigorous way • Excellent networking skills and the ability to establish credibility quickly with stakeholders • Excellent interpersonal skills 	

Personality:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commitment to JDRF’s mission to cure, treat and prevent type 1 diabetes • Authority within the research community • Curiosity and creativity in identifying opportunities • Action and delivery focused • Takes responsibility for solving problems as they arise • Commitment to working towards agreed priorities • Strong negotiation skills • Outgoing, enthusiastic, confident and professional 	
Education:		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medically or scientifically qualified or post-graduate research experience
Other:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge of type 1 diabetes, diabetes research and JDRF • Support JDRF aims and objectives • Flexibility and willingness to work some unsocial hours • Willingness to travel frequently including overseas 	

EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

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