

EURORDIS-Rare Diseases Europe

Job vacancy – Drug Repurposing Project Senior Manager

Responsible to: Therapeutic Development Director

Contract type: Permanent, full-time

Salary: 40 – 45 000 euros gross per annum + one-month performance-based bonus

Location: EURORDIS Barcelona Office

Start date: 1 September 2022

Main scope of the position

The **Drug Repurposing Project Senior Manager (DRPSM)** is responsible for the support of EURORDIS' involvement in projects comprising activities related to medicines research and development, access to therapies, patient engagement in the medicines lifecycle.



This position is open in the context of an Horizon Europe funded project, running over 5 years, gathering 24 partners and led by EATRIS ERIC, which aims at building a sustainable drug repurposing platform in Europe with an approach of co-creation amongst researchers, clinicians and patients.

A second position is open in parallel for a Patient Engagement & Training Manager, also in the context of the REMEDI4ALL project. The two positions will seat in the Therapeutic Development team and the DRPSM will work closely with the Therapeutic Development Director, the Patient Engagement & Therapeutic Development Senior Manager and the (new) Patient Engagement & Training Manager. Smooth collaboration and interactions will also occur within transversal teams on Project Management, on Patient Engagement and on Trainings.

Position overview

- a) Manage and ensure the implementation of all activities pertaining to EURORDIS contribution into the project REMEDI4ALL.
- b) Support the Therapeutic Development Director on operational and/or advocacy activities pertaining to Drug repurposing and Medicines Development, contributing to EURORDIS' strategic priorities
- c) Integrate within EURORDIS team and network by contributing to transversal activities such as patient engagement, patient empowerment, events content development, communication strategy.

Key tasks & responsibilities

- Oversight of EURORDIS activities in REMEDI4ALL, including:
 - overall project management
 - budget follow-up with EURORDIS Finance department
 - operational/technical reporting

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- preparation of deliverables
- project communication
- representation & interaction with the other partners
- Leadership/Co-leadership role in two of the 13 work packages of the project:
 - Patients & user engagement, onboarding to the platform and co-creation all along the repurposing pathway and
 - Training & capacity building
- Contributor to the other tasks that EURORDIS has committed to perform, i.e. building of the operational capacities of the platform, establishment of the SOPs, interaction with technical partners for the effective execution of multi-disciplinary non-clinical and clinical projects together with researchers, clinicians and patient champions.
- Warrant of the patient-centric approach of the REMEDI4ALL platform
- Coordinate input from the relevant EURORDIS team members in REMEDI4ALL, and has day-to-day operational oversight of the Patient Engagement & Training Manager
- Communicating project updates to the Therapeutic Development Direction and EURORDIS' Operations department
- Ensure continuous alignment with EURORDIS' overall strategy and advocacy messages in collaboration with the TDD.

Experience & skills

- Advanced degree in a biomedical science field (PharmD or PhD degree would be a plus)
- Minimum 5 years' experience with pharmaceutical industry and/or in translational research and/or in managing EU funded project in the biomedical field
- Advanced understanding of drug development and passionate about patient-centric/patient-led drug development
- An expertise in drug repurposing and/or rare diseases would be a plus
- Interest for repurposing approaches, regulatory science, access to medicines and healthcare system sustainability
- Team player attitude, good command of English and communication skills are required (public speaking and writing skills, i.e. project outcomes will lead to peer-reviewed publications).
- Self-motivated, service-oriented, flexible, yet able to prioritise and meet agreed deadlines
- A proactive approach to work, organised and able to travel when project requires.
- Experience of working in an international environment is essential

To apply

Please send your CV and cover letter in English to virginie.hivert@eurordis.org

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