

Associate Director, Statistical Programming

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About the Role

Key responsibilities:

- Lead statistical programming activities as a Lead/Program Programmer for a large-sized or complex project or group of projects globally or locally, or disease area with phase I to IV clinical studies in Novartis Global Drug Development.
- Co-ordinate activities of programmers either internally or externally. Make statistical programming decisions and propose strategies at project or disease level. Develop statistical programming strategy and scientific documentation for the project(s) or disease area together with the Biostatistician(s). Accountable for the assignment of resources and workload within his/her TA community and ensures sharing of resources between groups in order to meet company objectives and priorities.
- May act as functional manager of local/global associates including providing supervision and advice to these programmers on functional expertise and processes.
- Build and maintain effective working relationships with cross-functional teams including Biostatistics and Data Management counterparts, able to summarize and discuss status of deliverables and critical programming aspects, such as, timelines, scope, and resource planning. SP representative at project level and in the Submission team, or in local leadership team.
- Develop programming strategy to drive standardization across studies or programs and effectively adopt R packages (e.g. Tidyverse), R Shiny Applications, AI-enabled tools etc. to support data visualization, version control (e.g. Git-based), and reproducible workflows. Partner with the functional mentors to support capability development, appropriate tool adoption, and alignment with standards and business needs.
- Accountable for timely and quality development and validation of all statistical programming components on assigned project(s). Responsible for quality control and audit readiness of all assigned statistical programming deliverables as well as accuracy and reliability of statistical analysis results.
- Provide authoritative technical and professional recommendations as representative of the statistical programming function at project level or for a major non-clinical initiative. Provide thought leadership level support and guidance.

Essential Requirements:

- University or college degree in life science, computer science, data science, pharmacy, statistics, nursing or equivalent relevant degree.
- Proven leadership, collaboration and organizational skills with demonstrated ability to successfully manage simultaneous trials and meet deadlines
- Excellent understanding of clinical trials methodology, GCP and medical terminology
- Must be able to anticipate challenges and risks and proactively suggest/implement solutions
- Ability to work under pressure demonstrating agility through effective and innovative team leadership
- Excellent interpersonal skills and proven ability to operate effectively in a global environment. Foster a team environment that values learning, adaptability, and continuous improvement. Ability to influence and communicate across functions and to external stakeholders
- Experience in Drug Development with experience in Statistical Programming
- Management or leadership experience

Benefits & Rewards

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Expected Annual Base Salary Range for role: £67,900.00 - £126,100.00

The base salary offered is determined based on gender-neutral objectives, such as relevant skills, competencies and experience in accordance with the Novartis pay setting policy and upon joining Novartis will be reviewed periodically.

In addition to your base salary, you may be eligible for a performance-based bonus depending on certain performance parameters.

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Commitment to Diversity and Inclusion / EEO paragraph

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Role Requirements

Primary location salary range

£67,900.00 - £126,100.00

Division

DIV_GD

Business Unit

Development

Location

LOC_GB

Site

London (The Westworks)

Company / Legal Entity

GB16 (FCRS = GB016) Novartis Pharmaceuticals UK Ltd.

Functional Area

FCT_RD

Job Type

Full time

Employment Type

Regular

Shift Work

No

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