RESEARCH MEDICAL OFFICER (CLINICAL PAYLINE)

(12 Months Contract)

Wellcome Centre for Infectious Diseases Research in Africa

Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine (IDM)

Faculty of Health Sciences

The LASER-TBM trial is a phase II adaptive clinical trial to assess the safety and efficacy of a novel treatment regimen in HIV-1 associated tuberculous meningitis. The trial, funded by The Wellcome Trust and sponsored by University of Cape Town, is due to start recruitment in September 2018 across 5 clinical sites in South Africa. The national principal investigator is Professor Robert J Wilkinson.

We are seeking a full time research medical officer to work across the three clinical sites in the Cape Town area; Groote Schuur Hospital, New Somerset Hospital and Mitchell's Plain Hospital. The successful candidate will work closely with a designated research nurse, a trial pharmacist, the site PI and co-investigators on the team. The primary responsibilities will be to recruit patients to the study, assess and manage trial participants in both an inpatient and outpatient setting, perform study procedures, collect clinical data, assist with data entry and management, engage with safety reporting, and play a key role in the administration and functioning of the clinical trial team.

The successful candidate will work within an established clinical trial team, and will have a large workload that must be conducted according to the highest ethical standards with rigorous attention to data integrity and safety considerations. The post will provide an excellent opportunity to learn about all aspects of Phase 2 clinical trial conduct as well as becoming involving in the world renowned research conducted at the Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine (IDM).

This 12 months full-time contract post will be held at the Institute of Infectious Disease and Molecular Medicine (IDM) (http://www.idm.uct.ac.za) within the Faculty of Health Sciences of the University of Cape Town (UCT). **The daily activities of this post will be 90% based at clinical research sites and 10% at the IDM.**

Effective start date: 1st September 2018 or sooner

Requirements:

- MBChB degree
- Registration with the Health Professions Council of South Africa as an independent medical practitioner
- Currently valid work permit for South Africa if non-South African
- At least 1 year of clinical experience in treating patients with HIV infection and/or adult patients in the secondary care setting.

Advantageous:

- Ability to communicate in isiXhosa and/or Afrikaans
- Experience working in clinical research and clinical trials
- Experience in writing reports and analyzing data
- Current accredited GCP certificate
- Current accredited BLS/ACLS certificate
- Track record of successfully working in a multidisciplinary clinical team

Responsibilities:

- Recruitment and follow-up of study participants, clinical assessment and management of participants including practical study procedures such as lumbar puncture (where clinical invasive procedures are required, training will be provided if necessary)
- Completion of all relevant study documentation according to study standard operating procedures and GCP.
- Entry of study data onto electronic database.
- Reporting of adverse events to sponsor, ethics committee and regulatory authorities with strict adherence to guidelines.
- Assist with study administration including writing of documents and communication, and development or revision of study standard operating procedures (SOPs) as needed.

- Liaison with data management team and maintenance of effective communication with the other study staff and site staff members including principal investigator, lead investigator and study co-ordinator
- Liaise closely and maintain effective communication with the study monitors and trial sponsors.
- Management, supervision and teaching of clinical research staff as required by the project.
- Transport of samples from clinical site to the laboratory if required
- Attend study and academic meetings and training as required
- Presentation of research findings at meetings at the clinical research sites and IDM.

The annual cost of employment is R736 425

Candidates may make informal enquiries in confidence via email to lead investigator Dr Angharad Davis (angharad.davis@uct.ac.za) or site principal investigator Dr Sean Wasserman (sean.wasserman@uct.ac.za)

To apply, please email the documents below in a **single pdf** file to Erika Morey at erika.morey@uct.ac.za

- UCT application form can be downloaded at http://forms.uct.ac.za/hr201.doc
- Cover letter
- Curriculum Vitae (CV)

An application which does not comply with the above requirements, will be regarded as incomplete. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Telephone: 021 406 6700 **Website:** http://www.cidri.uct.ac.za

Reference number: E80806 **Closing date**: 15 August 2018

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