

Senior Clinical Trial Leader

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Summary

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This position is based at the Westworks London office, with flexibility to work remotely two days a week. This position may require up to 5% travel as defined by the business.

We are Clinical Sciences and Innovation at Novartis. A dynamic group of Clinical Scientists who plan and execute early phase trials worldwide. From First-in-Human to Proof-of-Concept and beyond. We design and operationalize trials, ensuring they run smoothly, on time and – most importantly – with patients' interests to the fore.

Curious, unbossed and inspired; we are committed to flexibility in the workplace.

About the Role

As a Senior Clinical Sciences Trial Leader, you will lead the clinical science and operations of planning and executing translational medicine clinical trials. Collaborate across our global network and partner with outstanding physicians and scientists. By building your therapeutic area expertise, you will deliver next-generation, digital and patient-centric trial designs. Being always curious, innovative and inspiring.

More specifically, you will:

- Operationally and scientifically lead complex clinical studies.
- Drive and deliver aspects of global clinical trial execution from study design, set-up and recruitment to final reporting.
- Lead the matrix-management of robust global clinical trial teams, collaborating across the organization and externally with service providers/investigator sites.
- Drive the development of clinical study protocols, clinical operations execution plans and other required documents.
- Ensure quality conduct and document standards are applied across the clinical trial lifecycle.
- Lead or support clinical data review
- Contribute to project/program level plans
- May mentor junior team members as required.
- Support optimization of standard methodologies in clinical trial operations and adopt an open learning and sharing environment.
- Unleash the value of data and digital within clinical studies.

Ultimately, YOU will help bring new technologies and therapies closer to our patients.

Minimum requirements :

- In this role, you will bring:
 - A life sciences PhD or PharmD (desirable), or BSc or MSc in life sciences.
 - 4+ years' experience in clinical trial management/operations, coupled with a broad knowledge of the drug development field; preferably within the pharma industry.
- Demonstrated leadership experience and well-developed interpersonal skills.
- A track record of collaborating with and influencing a wide range of people, and of building strong partnerships, inspiring mutual respect and fostering a positive, inclusive team culture.
- Strong project management experience; excellent planning, prioritization and organizational skills; used to managing multiple priorities concurrently.
- Strong scientific and clinical expertise with the ability to interpret and represent trial-level data, while maintaining a patient-centric mindset that integrates patient insights into protocol development, trial planning, and execution.
- High change agility, thriving in an open and dynamic environment. Able to learn proactively, tackle issues and take accountability.
- Clear written and verbal expression of ideas; an active communicator.

Final job title and associated responsibilities will be commensurate with the successful candidates' level of expertise.

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Division

Biomedical Research

Business Unit
Universal Hierarchy Node
Location
United Kingdom
Site
London (The Westworks)
Company / Legal Entity
GB16 (FCRS = GB016) Novartis Pharmaceuticals UK Ltd.
Functional Area
Research & Development
Job Type
Full time
Employment Type
Regular
Shift Work
No
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