

# Associate Expert Potency

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USA

## Summary

As a key member of the Analytical Development team, this individual will support developmental activities to aid in delivering gene therapy to patients. The successful candidate will support technical and development projects designed to characterize gene therapy products through an assortment of analytical methods. This role will also contribute to cross-functional activities including monitoring and characterizing of processes and products to identify opportunities for continuous improvement. Growth mentality and passion to serve patients, his/her technical team and development programs is a must.

## About the Role

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The Associate Expert, Science & Technology (Research associate) performs routine testing and to develop bioassays suitable for lot disposition and characterization of gene therapy drug substances and drug products.

### Key Responsibilities:

- Participate in method development and qualification of cell-based potency assays suitable for both in-process and drug product (DP) lot release and quality attribute assessment for AAV and LVV viral vectors.
- Execute experiments under supervision to support development and optimizations for phase-appropriate bioassay and characterizations for drug regulatory filings. Be responsible for critical solution preparations under both research and GxP environment.
- Participate in cross-functional activities including critical reagent management, in-process sample handling, process development analytical supports, and assay method transfers to Quality Control/Clinical Research Organization laboratories.
- Perform sample testing and data analysis with developed analytical methods. Document experimental protocols, summaries, and reports. Maintain experiment records.
- Support critical laboratory activities including monitoring inventory levels for laboratory supplies.

### Essential Requirements:

- MS in Biology, Biochemistry, Bioengineering or related scientific discipline with 0-2 years research experience in area or BS with 4 years of equivalent education/experience may be accepted.
- Basic understanding of cell biology, protein biochemistry, and molecular biology.
- Experience with cell culture and aseptic technique is required.
- Experience with bioassays/bioanalytical research using platforms such as ELISA, MSD, high-content imaging, and luminescence/fluorescence assays, qPCR/dPCR is desired, but not required.

- Previous experience in GxP laboratory is desired, but not required.
- Quick learner, highly motivated, hard-working and detail oriented.
- Strong ability to work in a fast-paced team environment with highly goal-oriented approaches and to prioritize work from multiple projects with can-do attitude is required.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.

The pay range for this position at commencement of employment is expected to be between \$84,000 and \$126,000/year; however, while salary ranges are effective from 1/1/24 through 12/31/24, fluctuations in the job market may necessitate adjustments to pay ranges during this period. Further, final pay determinations will depend on various factors, including, but not limited to geographical location, experience level, knowledge, skills and abilities. The total compensation package for this position may also include other elements, including a sign-on bonus, restricted stock units, and discretionary awards in addition to a full range of medical, financial, and/or other benefits (including 401(k) eligibility and various paid time off benefits, such as vacation, sick time, and parental leave), dependent on the position offered. Details of participation in these benefit plans will be provided if an employee receives an offer of employment. If hired, employee will be in an “at-will position” and the Company reserves the right to modify base salary (as well as any other discretionary payment or compensation program) at any time, including for reasons related to individual performance, Company or individual department/team performance, and market factors.

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Site

East Hanover

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Functional Area

Research & Development

Job Type

Full time

Employment Type

Regular

Shift Work

No

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