



Senior Director, In Vivo Pharmacology

SCOPE

This is a challenging role for a scientist who is a self-starter with excellent communication skills to set-up and lead our in vivo pharmacology efforts. You will report to the Senior Vice President, Research and Development.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Lead internal effort for identifying relevant animal models of disease for neurodegenerative and neurodevelopmental disorders; will require significant interaction with Axial scientists, development team, co-founders and Scientific Advisory Board
- Provide key to therapeutic discovery and development programs by contributing to translational strategy from lab to clinic
- Depending on level, supervise pharmacology team or potentially all of internal biology team
- Identify and qualify specialty CRO's for in vivo pharmacology studies
- Directly and indirectly manage in vivo studies done at Clinical Research Organizations (CRO's) and/or collaborators
- Directly and indirectly design and execution of animal studies
- Contribute to interpretation of clinical pharmacology data and preparation of final clinical study reports
- Contribute to the writing of relevant reports that may be included in regulatory filings
- Participate in Company planning and strategy

Qualifications

- PhD or equivalent with 10+ years of relevant biotech or pharma experience, preferably in neurology/neuropharmacology/neurodegeneration/neuroinflammation or related field
- Demonstrable experience with drug discovery and neurologic diseases preferred
- Experience in models and studies involving germ-free animals preferred
- Ability to manage multiple projects and identify and resolve issues
- At ease in small biotech organizations, with ability to operate at strategic and detailed levels and the ability to perform under challenge, in fast-moving environments
- Thrives in matrix management structure that relies on team approach
- Establishes good relationships and communicates clearly at all levels within the organization, contributes to building a supportive Corporate culture
- Able to serve as positive mentor for scientists
- Excellent interpersonal and writing skills
- Results oriented with excellent decision-making skills