



REVIVE MEDICAL OFFICER

(4½ years contract; Medical Officer Gr1)

Clinical Research Centre

Faculty of Health Sciences

The Clinical Research Centre (CRC) invites applications from suitably qualified candidates to fill a Medical Officer post on a 4-year and 6 months full-time contract. The incumbent will be based at the CRC offices at the Old Main Building at Groote Schuur Hospital but will attend other sites as required.

The main purpose of this position is to support implementation and delivery of the REVIVE clinical trial (Reducing Mortality in Adults with Advanced HIV Disease Azithromycin), including ancillary research projects. The Medical Officer will support the trial team based at the UCT Clinical Research Centre in daily trial activities; work directly with the Principal Investigators (PI), central Project Management Team and the Trial Steering Committee to coordinate trial and sub-study activities; contribute to associated scientific outputs, and support training activities. The Medical Officer will also be supported to conduct her/his own research projects nested within REVIVE trial towards a future academic career.

The CRC aims to support its staff in their conduct of high-quality clinical research through advice, services and facilities. We are seeking an experienced, dynamic individual to work with investigators and their teams in their conduct of their clinical trials. You will work with a friendly and dynamic team in a Centre of Excellence in trials.

Requirements:

- MBChB (or equivalent)
- A minimum of 2 years and a maximum of 5 years relevant post-qualification clinical research experience
- GCP certification
- Clinical management of advanced HIV disease
- Clinical trials conduct
- Demonstrable skills in scientific writing
- Excellent communication skills
- Excellent organisational and administrative skills
- Attention to detail
- Ability to work in a team environment
- Ability to take initiative
- Ability to coordinate multiple aspects of a project
- Ability to travel frequently in sub-Saharan Africa, and potentially spend extended time in the UK and Canada with project leadership

Advantageous:

- Experience conducting clinical research in Africa
- Training in clinical research methodology
- Teaching experience in tertiary education
- Track record of scientific publications in a cognate field
- PhD in clinical infectious diseases or Masters in Public Health
- Database management
- Proficiency in use of statistical software

Responsibilities:

- Undertake research and gain professional experience for a future academic career, under the mentorship of the Principal Investigator (PI) and project management team, including but not limited to:
 - Participate in collaborative research and co-authorship on the REVIVE trial scientific outputs
 - Write scientific protocols for sub-studies
 - Prepare and communicate peer-reviewed conference and journal papers
 - Research administration including research project coordination and management; this may involve travel to local and international research sites and project meetings
 - Participate in educational activities to upskill themselves in terms of clinical trials and research knowledge and skills
- Serve on the Trial Steering Committee (TSC) and organise and attend meetings of the TSC and trial investigators to contribute to and provide updates on (including but not limited to):
 - Trial progress overall and from each country

- Review of medical advances in the field of relevance to the trial
- Discussion of operational issues
- Planning of trial activities and sub-studies
- Serve on the Project Management Team (PMT) and attend meetings of the PMT to contribute to (including but not limited to):
 - Supporting training activities, including GCP and investigator training seminars on topics related to the trial and advanced HIV disease
 - Supporting a public communication strategy to engage news and social media, community advisory boards, and maintaining a dedicated trial website
 - Supporting delivery of the main trial and associated sub-studies

The appointment will be on UCT Academic Clinical conditions of service. The annual cost of employment, including benefits will be based on the University's clinical pay line which is aligned to OSD rates (Medical Officer, Grade 1)..

To apply, please e-mail the below documents in a **single pdf file** to Ms Tracy Moore at recruitment05@uct.ac.za

- UCT Application Form (download at <http://forms.uct.ac.za/hr201.doc>)
- Letter of motivation that speaks to the specific requirements of the position
- Curriculum vitae (CV)
- Copy of HPCSA registration
- Copy of South African Good Clinical Practice (GCP) certification

Please ensure the title and reference number are indicated in the subject line.

An application which does not comply with the above requirements will be regarded as incomplete.

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted and may be required to undergo an assessment.

Telephone: 021 650 5405

Website: www.crc.uct.ac.za

Reference number: E240101

Closing date: 23 January 2024

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UCT reserves the right not to appoint.