



Institute of Hepatology, London
Foundation for Liver Research

Principal Investigator/Group Leader in Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease
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Job Description

This will be key position within the Institute of Hepatology, London and the appointee will have primary responsibility for building a research group and research programme in NAFLD that can help deliver the overarching Strategic Programme of the Institute which is aimed at understanding inflammation and mechanisms of liver cell injury and repair. All individual projects within the Institute's research portfolio have clinical translational objectives and interaction and cross-collaboration between the groups is strongly encouraged, with sharing of expertise, facilities and equipment.

The successful candidate will be expected to develop and deliver innovative research strategies and clinically translational research programmes focussed on the aetiopathogenic mechanisms of NAFLD and in particular NASH, with the aim of identifying targeted therapies.

Research support for the candidate appointed will include a fully equipped laboratory, staff and consumable funding. We offer a competitive salary (depending on qualifications and experience). The Foundation is seeking to recruit an exceptional candidate and the post will remain open until that individual has been appointed.

The Institute of Hepatology is an independent research organisation directly managed and core funded by the Foundation for Liver Research. The Institute is affiliated to King's College London and King's College Hospital and the successful candidate will have an honorary contract with KCL and the opportunity in due course to apply for an Adjunct position.

Key Responsibilities

- To lead and manage a research team including postdoctoral fellows and PhD students.
- To lead in writing papers for publication in peer-reviewed and leading academic journals, including expert commentary in a variety of media.
- To secure research funding to further support the NAFLD research studies and fund expansion of the research team

- To design and implement innovative research methodologies that add to the skill-sets within the Institute
- To contribute to collaborative projects within the Institute and externally
- To develop and promote new opportunities for the Institute on a national and international level, in disseminating research findings and consolidating the Institute's international reputation through presentations and scientific meetings.

Key Criteria

- PhD relevant to NAFLD/Inflammation/Metabolic Syndrome
- Established record of independent research including a history of obtaining research funding and effective management of research projects
- A strong first/senior author publication record in peer-reviewed journals
- Experience of leading/managing research teams and promoting excellence
- Strong collaboration skills in order to develop productive interactions with researchers within the Institute as well as with forming links with other national and international centres.

To apply: please submit a detailed curriculum vitae that includes a description of research experience to date and a 2-page outline of future research plans. **Send to:** Natalie Day, Head of Administration (E: n.day@researchinliver.org.uk Tel: 020 7255 9832). For informal discussions regarding the post please contact Dr Shilpa Chokshi, Chief Scientific Officer (E: s.chokshi@researchinliver.org.uk).