



Chief Scientific Officer (Virtual)

Seeking a passionate and entrepreneurial scientist to head the research initiatives of a growing rare cancer research and patient advocacy organization

POSITION OVERVIEW

The ideal candidate will be an accomplished scientific leader, preferably with experience in the nonprofit, academic, government, pharmaceutical or related sector of biomedicine, and have extensive experience in advancing science through strategic grant-making and partnerships.

The Chief Scientific Officer will develop and implement a strategic vision to build on CCF's success in advancing cholangiocarcinoma research. He/she will have an opportunity to make a mark on a rapidly progressing field, and a tangible difference in the lives of patients.

The CSO will report to the President and ED and work closely with the Scientific Advisory Board (SAB).

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Create a short-term and long-term research roadmaps to identify priorities and mechanisms of funding
- Establish and cultivate partnerships with pharmaceutical companies, government agencies, academia and other foundations, as scientific opportunities arise
- Manage and orchestrate a diverse portfolio of research projects with collaborators across the world
- Administer the Foundation's grants program, including peer review, contract negotiation, monitoring and evaluation
- Ensure dissemination of data generated by CCF's research through public data repositories and publications
- Oversee and provide scientific direction for the Foundation's repositories of biospecimens, cell lines and mouse models
- Secure funding for research programs by assisting with major donor cultivation, grant writing, proposals, and progress reports for funders
- Collaborate with CCF's patient services and marketing efforts to promote patient participation in research and clinical trials
- Represent CCF at medical/scientific conferences

KEY QUALIFICATIONS

- Doctoral degree (PhD and/or MD) with emphasis in cellular or molecular biology, cancer biology, chemical biology, or closely related area of study.
- A minimum of 5 years demonstrated experience leading a similar scientific enterprise, preferably in a grant-making organization
- A deep knowledge of the landscape across the continuum of cancer research from basic biology and etiology, through genetics, risk and prevention, to development of diagnostics and treatments



- Track record of initiating, negotiating and managing partnerships with academia, industry, government agencies and other foundations
- Experience interacting with boards, top donors, patients and patient groups, the media and the public
- Demonstrated experience advancing programs with a small staff and resource-limited setting

CAPABILITIES

- Strong project management and organizational skills, with the ability to manage multiple projects in parallel
- Excellent relationship management skills, with the ability to build and maintain effective partnerships and earn the trust and cooperation of professionals in the scientific and medical communities
- Working knowledge of preclinical and translational cancer research
- Outstanding ability to communicate scientific concepts verbally and in writing for a variety of audiences, including fellow scientists, funders and the lay public
- An entrepreneurial approach and an ability to conceive of and implement solutions to problems
- High emotional intelligence and ethical standards
- Creative, strategic thinker with a 'hands-on', resourceful and analytical style
- Ability to travel up to 20% of the time

The Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation is proud to be an equal opportunity employer. All qualified candidates will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.