

Associate Director / Director - Biology

Protego Biopharma is a fast-growing, Series A stage company focusing on R&D of small molecule therapeutics targeting protein misfolding diseases. We are seeking a few highly motivated and goal-oriented biology director and domain expert to join our team. This role provides scientific expert knowledge as well as technical expertise and leadership in design and execution of experiments in the areas such as molecular and cell biology, protein chemistry, assay development, and drug screening. You will be a key member of the biology core team and work with both internal teams and external collaborators. The ability to work in a fast-paced environment, perseverance, striving for excellence, high aptitude for learning, trouble shooting, team work, and communication skills are essential. This is a full-time position in San Diego, California. On-site work is required.

Key responsibilities:

1. Act as a champion in at least one area of interest to the company and proactively drive scientific and technical innovations.
2. Act as a research project leader and oversee biology aspects of the drug discovery project, including assay development, drug screening, and external collaborations.
3. Communicate clearly to stakeholders through oral and written communications, lead and participate in scientific and technical meetings, and provide expert recommendations.
4. Supervise and mentor junior scientists in the company.

Requirements

A PhD in Biological Sciences with 12+ year of pharma/biotech drug discovery experience is required.

- Self-motivated, strong work ethics, passion for advancing science and medicine.
- Extensive hands-on experience with modern biotechnology and cell biology techniques as demonstrated with strong publication or other records, is required.
- Demonstrated expertise in leading drug discovery projects.
- Deep understanding and prior experience in genetic disease biology, cellular stress response, assay development, and compound screening is required.
- Detail-oriented, strong organizational skills, eager to learn and continuously improve, and a dedication to quality and integrity.
- Effective and professional communication skills, written and oral, and aptitude for problem solving and technical writing.
- Ability to work independently and as a team player in a fast-paced team environment, meet deadlines and company objectives.

The level of this position will be based on the final candidate's qualifications.

Please note this job description is not designed to cover or contain a comprehensive listing of activities, duties or responsibilities that are required of the employee for this job. Duties, responsibilities and activities may change at any time with or without notice.

Policy

Protego is committed to creating a diverse environment and is proud to be an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity, national origin, genetics, disability, age, sexual orientation or veteran status.

Application Procedure

For submission, please send your resume and cover letter to info@protegiopharma.com.