



Vacancy: Project lead process development

COMPANY:

ArthroGen B.V., a subsidiary of MeiraGTx B.V., is an Amsterdam based biopharmaceutical company developing local gene therapy for different indications, using viral mediated gene transfer. ArthroGen specializes in the development of viral gene therapy vectors, in particular adeno-associated virus (AAV) based therapeutics. Several product candidates are in the discovery and development phase. In our programs, we collaborate with world leading scientists.

POSITION:

ArthroGen is seeking a highly skilled and motivated process development specialist to join our team. He/she will be involved in the production of preclinical AAV-based vectors for development programs of ArthroGen and other MeiraGTx groups. The aim of these projects is to develop new product candidates for clinical testing.

The project lead will be responsible for optimization of upstream and downstream processes and characterization of preclinical AAV batches at ArthroGen. The project lead will supervise technicians and will assist them in designing, planning and executing experiments. He/she is encouraged to keep up to date with new developments within the field of gene therapy to ensure implementation of state of the art methods and technologies for vector production and characterization. He/she will closely collaborate with colleagues from MeiraGTx London to align processes within the MeiraGTx group and is responsible for tech transfer projects. The project lead reports to the head vector development.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS:

- PhD degree in a relevant Bioprocess/Process Engineering/Biochemical/Life Sciences field and >2 years biotech industry experience in process development, or MSc/BSc degree in a relevant Bioprocess/Process Engineering/Biochemical/Life Sciences field and >4 years biotech industry experience in process development
- Experience with developing and optimizing upstream and downstream (chromatography, density gradient ultracentrifugation and TFF based purification) production of biopharmaceutical products (e.g. MAbs, Virus, Vaccines).
- Understanding and experience with statistical and modelling software and tools, such as multivariate analysis, statistical tests (ANOVA, t-test), DoE.
- Experience with running in-process assays such as qPCR, ELISA, HPLC, plate-based spectrometric assays, NGS technology.
- Understanding of ICH Q2B guidelines desirable.

JOB COMPETENCIES:

- Analytical mindset; Synthesizes complex and diverse information; Collects and researches data; Designs workflows and procedures
- Problem Solving; Identifies and resolves problems in a timely manner; develops alternative solutions; works well in group problem solving situations
- Sets and achieves challenging goals; demonstrates persistence and overcomes obstacles; measures self against standard of excellence
- Pro-active and well-organized, prioritizes and plans work activities; uses time efficiently; plans for additional resources; sets goals and objectives; develops realistic action plans
- Innovation-driven; displays original thinking and creativity; generates suggestions for improving work; develops innovative approaches and ideas
- Flexible, positive, and professional attitude; approaches others in a tactful manner; reacts well under pressure; treats others with respect and consideration; accepts responsibility for own actions; follows through on commitments
- Oral Communication; speaks clearly and persuasively; listens and gets clarification; responds well to questions; demonstrates good presentation skills; participates effectively in meetings
- Clear and informative written communication; edits work for spelling and grammar; varies writing style to meet needs; presents numerical data in a transparent manner
- Proficient in English

Arthrogon offers the opportunity to work in an exciting and entrepreneurial environment. We allow you to grow within an organization that encourages talent, and that supports the development of its employees and fuels excellence. We are project focused and have built a culture with a high degree of personal empowerment. Our energetic and enthusiastic employees participate in and influence the long-term growth of Arthrogon.

To apply, please send your full resume and motivation by e-mail to our office manager Anouk Veneboer, e-mail: Anouk.Veneboer@meiragtx.com / Address: Meibergdreef 45, 1105 BA Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Phone: +31 20 566 2648. For questions related to the position, please contact Sabine van der Sanden (Head vector development: sabine.vandersanden@meiragtx.com).