

Associate Scientist

Do you want to be part of building a fully integrated biopharmaceutical company together with a team of highly skilled colleagues who are passionate about developing best-in-class therapeutics that address significant unmet medical needs? Then Ascendis Pharma is committed to support your personal development on our journey towards becoming a leading rare disease company.

Ascendis Pharma is looking to hire an experienced Associate Scientist to join our team. This is an exciting opportunity to join a rapidly growing, innovative company!

Position Summary

The Associate Scientist will work in a collaborative cross-functional team environment, perform in vivo and in vitro experiments, help record, organize and analyze results, communicate effectively and present findings in team meetings. He/she will execute and monitor in vivo experiments at Ascendis laboratories. The role will also have responsibilities with assisting new lab start-up activities, including SOP design and implementation. The position will initially be based in Palo Alto with a transition to Redwood City.

Key Responsibilities

- General animal husbandry and colony management (mouse and rat) including rodent receipt and tracking, feeding, watering, and bed changes when necessary
- Execution of tumor studies including tumor line culturing, tumor inoculation, mouse randomization, compound administration, tumor and body weight measurement, and animal wellbeing assessment
- Dose rodents with novel compounds to test for anti-tumor efficacy (IP, IV, PO, SC routes)
- Perform live and terminal sample collection including submandibular blood collection, retroorbital blood collection, cardiac puncture, tumor and lymphoid tissue harvesting
- Assist in sample processing (single cell isolation, tissue homogenization) and post-processing sample analysis (e.g. preparation of samples for flow cytometry)
- In vitro cell culturing and cell-based immunological assays
- Closely collaborate with functional areas to support program goals and milestones
- Help develop and implement new laboratory standard operating procedures (general lab, in vitro, and in vivo SOPs)
- Present at group meetings

Knowledge, Skills and Experience

- BS in Biology or a related field with 4+ years of relevant experience
- Experience with dosing routes (IP, IV, PO) and extensive experience with in vivo tumor models and ex vivo sample acquisition is a must
- Experience with in vivo data capture software (e.g. Studylog), ex vivo immunological assays, and/or flow cytometry a plus
- Willingness to learn new skills (in vitro and in vivo)
- Strong organizational and communication skills are essential
- Ability to travel up to 5% of the time domestically and internationally



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