

Valdospan GmbH is an Austrian-based company with core competences in the field of oncology among others. Our company specializes in the research and development of innovative therapeutic products for the treatment of malignant tumors. Our aim is to develop therapeutics with the goal of establishing ourselves as a fully integrated Austrian biotech company.

We are seeking a highly motivated Research Associate to join our dynamic team focused on drug development. This full-time role is ideal for someone with a strong experimental background in cell biology and molecular biology techniques. The Research Associate will be reporting to the Associate Director of Biology and performing experiments, suggesting experimental plans, interpreting data, and contributing to the development of novel drug candidates from concept to clinic.

Research Associate

(f/m/d) (40 h / Week), fixed term for 1 year

Place of work will be our Biology R&D department close to Vienna, Austria at 3430 Tulln an der Donau.

Your responsibilities:

Research and Experimentation: Independently plan, design, and execute experiments across a variety of techniques, including but not limited to:

- Molecular biology (Cloning, designing vectors, sequencing)
- qPCR, binding assays, reporter assays
- Flow cytometry, transfection, viral transduction
- Cell culture and maintenance
- Western blotting (classic and capillary)
- Degradation assays, cytotoxicity assays
- Other experimental assays to study mechanism of action based on current drug development targets

Method Development: Setup, optimize, and implement new laboratory techniques and workflows to enhance research capabilities.

Data Analysis and Interpretation: Analyze experimental data, identify trends, and troubleshoot complex scientific problems. Provide clear and accurate reports of findings, highlighting key insights and next steps.

Quality Control: Ensure the plausibility and quality of data produced through preliminary data review.

Record Keeping: Maintain accurate and comprehensive laboratory notebooks and documentation to ensure reproducibility and compliance with regulatory standards.

Your qualifications:

- Master or equivalent in a relevant field (e.g., cell biology, biochemistry, molecular biology).
- First experience in experimental design, execution, and data analysis in a laboratory setting.
- Practical experience in several or all of the techniques mentioned (e.g., cloning, Western blot, qPCR, flow cytometry).
- Excellent problem-solving skills and the ability to troubleshoot complex technical issues independently.
- Strong communication skills in English (both written and spoken), with the ability to present scientific data clearly and effectively.
- Experience in cancer research, drug development. A solid understanding of the drug discovery process is a strong plus.
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively in a collaborative team environment and integrate into an existing team.
- Strong organizational skills and attention to detail, ensuring high standards in experimental execution and data quality.

Additional Qualities (Desirable):

- Familiarity with the latest advancements in drug development and cancer research methodologies.
- A proactive, solution-oriented mindset with the ability to take initiative in project development.

Anticipated starting date 1st of January, fixed term for 1 year. We are legally obliged to state the theoretical minimum monthly gross salary, which is € 2879 for a full-time position, according to the Kollektivvertrag für Angestellte und Lehrlinge in Handelsbetrieben, Beschäftigungsgruppe F. The actual salary is based on individual qualifications and work experience and will be significantly above this minimum for this position.

We offer an open, friendly, collaborative, and supportive work environment within an international, cutting-edge drug development company. There are opportunities to work on innovative projects with a direct impact on the development of novel drug candidates, as well as professional development opportunities in a growing and dynamic field.

Our supportive and motivated team is looking forward to your application (CV, cover letter). Please send the documents to hr@valdospan.com.