

THE UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER
PARTICULARS OF APPOINTMENT
FACULTY OF MEDICAL AND HUMAN SCIENCES
INSTITUTE OF INFLAMMATION AND REPAIR
CENTRE FOR GASTROINTESTINAL SCIENCES
RESEARCH ASSISTANT/HEALTH PROFESSIONAL

Vacancy ref: M&HS-06986

Salary:	£25,513 to £27,864 pro rata per annum
Hours:	0.5 FTE
Duration:	Fixed term, available from October 2015 to 31 January 2017
Location:	University of Manchester Campus and Salford Royal NHS FoundationTrust
Responsible to:	Professor Shaheen Hamdy

Main purpose of job:

To work closely with clinical researchers and GI Sciences team to support a clinical observational study in Parkinson's Disease (and other research studies), providing support and liaising with staff locally and in the GI Centre. To develop and maintain robust inter-professional relationships; which will promote an increased capacity for a high standard of stroke clinical research across the different care settings. To ensure monitoring of study activities is reported and that it complies with Clinical ICH Good Clinical Practice standards.

Main tasks/overview of responsibilities

To work closely with the clinical research associate and PI on the Parkinson's study including support, promotion and organization of patient recruitment. Provide research support and information for research staff, patients, volunteers and relatives as appropriate to the studies undertaken.

1. To provide support and information to patients recruited to the studies, following strictly the guidelines and regulations for consent to a clinical trial, and the trial protocol.
2. To adhere to appropriate policies regarding clinical research
3. To adhere to UoM standard operating procedures.

4. Ensure that all appropriate training is received prior to using any technology required for the stud (TMS/stimulation etc)
5. Contribute to the planning and acquisition of required resources to undertake clinical research studies to the appropriate standards.

Essential skills:

- BSc or equivalent
- Good communication skills
- Team worker
- Good knowledge of MS Office
- Previous exposure to clinical research environment

Desirable skills:

- Post graduate degree or equivalent
- Basic skills in (clinical) neurophysiology
- Clinical trials experience
- Database management
- Previous research coordinator experience (if applicable)

Additional responsibilities:

Communications

1. To assist in the development and maintenance of robust communication strategies with reporting and storage of data.
2. To be aware of the managerial structure within the team and act appropriately making decisions as appropriate
3. To travel as required by the research to locations across organisations

Analysis and data management

1. To analyse and interpret appropriate data which will be produced by the clinical research studies.
1. To follow all data protection legislation and appropriate standards operating procedures.
2. To assist in the development of approval applications.
3. To assist in the production of reports as required

Research, Development and Audit

1. To keep up-to-date with current research areas of relevance to the GI Sciences Team
2. To assist in all research projects as required by the GI Sciences Team.
3. To assist with all audits and inspections as required by the GI Sciences Team

Equality and Diversity

1. Comply with all UoM policies and practices

Health & Safety

1. Comply with all UoM policies and practices, including those incorporating Health & Safety, COSHH and Infection Control. S/He will be required to adhere to the health and safety responsibilities laid down in both the department/directorate health and safety

policy and in the parallel Trust Health and Safety Policy

The University of Manchester

The University of Manchester is Britain's largest and most popular university, with a distinguished history of academic achievement and an ambitious agenda for the future. The University, with income in excess of £780 million, has four Nobel Prize winners amongst its current academic staff, and has embarked on an exciting and bold course which aims to make us one of the top 25 universities in the world, as set out in the University's strategic vision for 2020: [Strategic Vision 2020](#).

The University of Manchester was established in 1824, bringing together The Victoria University of Manchester and UMIST to form The University of Manchester. It has an excellent track record in research, as demonstrated by a research power exceeded only by Oxbridge in the RAE 2008 and specifically by the award of two Nobel prizes in physics in 2010. The University's research strategy can be found via the following link: [UoM Research Strategy](#).

The academic structure of The University of Manchester is made up of Faculties and Schools. There are four Faculties and further information about each Faculty and its related Schools can be found at [UoM Faculties and Schools](#).

The Faculty of Medical and Human Sciences (FMHS)

The Faculty of Medical and Human Sciences is a leading international centre for research and education in medicine and a spectrum of health-related professions including nursing, midwifery, social work, pharmacy, dentistry, psychology, audiology and speech and language therapy. A major review in 2011/12 led to a new strategy and structure intended to enhance our research and teaching performance. A key component of the new approach is the creation of a matrix structure linking five Faculty Schools with six Faculty Institutes. The objective is to ensure that the Faculty achieves a major international academic profile in each priority area within a period of five years.

The new strategy will focus our research effort in six priority areas:

- Human Development including Women's and Children's Health
- Cardiovascular Sciences
- Cancer Science
- Inflammation and Repair
- Brain, Behaviour and Mental Health
- Population and Health Sciences

Details of the structure can be found at: [FMHS Structure](#).

FMHS has a total income of £210 million, around 6,500 undergraduate students and 2,500 post graduate students.

The Faculty has strong relationships with outstanding NHS partners which are critical in achieving our mission.

Manchester Academic Health Science Centre (MAHSC)

The University, and in particular the Faculty of Medical and Human Sciences, is a key member of the Manchester Academic Health Science Centre (MAHSC). Formed in 2008, MAHSC is a Federation of Equal Partners enabled by a Company Limited by Guarantee. The partners involved in the MAHSC are: The University of Manchester, Central Manchester University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, Manchester Mental Health and Social Care Trust, Salford Primary Care Trust (NHS Salford), Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust, The Christie NHS Foundation Trust and University Hospital of South Manchester NHS Foundation Trust.

MAHSC is one of only five Department of Health designated AHSCs in the UK. The designation is a mark of excellence across research, innovation, education and patient service, and recognition of the potential to excel in translational medicine. MAHSC's vision is to *be a leading global centre for the delivery of innovative applied health research and education into healthcare*. As with other AHSCs, MAHSC has a dual role: to act as a beacon of international excellence for UK plc and to provide leadership and early adoption for our local health system. This will be delivered via a tripartite approach encompassing: research and innovation; education and training and clinical service.

For further information, please refer to the MAHSC website: www.mahsc.ac.uk.

The Faculty Institute of Inflammation and Repair

The Institute of Inflammation and Repair is one of six Research Institutes in the Faculty of Medical and Human Sciences. Six Centres (Respiratory and Allergy, Gastrointestinal, Tissue Injury & Repair Musculoskeletal, Immune Mechanisms and Dermatology) are brought together under the leadership of Professor Jane Worthington. The research interests of the groups range from basic science through to applied and population based medicine across a range of clinical specialties. Strong research links between these groups will ensure that the research carried out is truly translational.

For further information, please refer to the Institute website:

www.inflammation-repair.manchester.ac.uk.

Social Responsibility

"All candidates are expected to display commitment to the University's third strategic goal of social responsibility, where we aim to make a positive contribution to society through our full range of teaching, research, engagement and operational activities."