

THE UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER

PARTICULARS OF APPOINTMENT

**FACULTY OF BIOLOGY, MEDICINE & HEALTH
SCHOOL OF MEDICAL SCIENCES
MEDICAL EDUCATION**

**RESEARCH ASSOCIATE IN THE HISTORY OF
TWENTIETH-CENTURY PHYSIOLOGY & GENETICS**

VACANCY REF: BM&H-09442

Salary:	Grade 6 £31,076 to £38,183 per annum
Hours:	1 FTE
Duration:	Fixed term (available immediately until 31/12/2017)
Location:	Oxford Road, Manchester
Responsible to:	Professor Michael Worboys, Emeritus Professor in the Division of Medical Education

Enquiries about the vacancy, shortlisting and interviews:

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The Faculty of Biology, Medicine and Health (FBMH)

The Faculty of Biology, Medicine and Health was created on 1 August 2016 when the Faculty of Life Sciences and the Faculty of Medical and Human Sciences were brought together in a new, integrated structure to deliver a truly translational approach to the life sciences, ensuring smooth research pathways - from pure discovery science through to clinical application and patient care.

With a total annual income of over £300 million, and over 3,000 members of staff, the new Faculty is comparable in size to a medium-sized UK university. Thirty undergraduate and 90 postgraduate programmes will offer our 11,000 students opportunities to develop the skills and knowledge they need for a successful career.

The Faculty's matrix structure will facilitate interdisciplinary working and enable us to learn from each other and share best practice; and our eight, strategic Research Domains will help to articulate our research strengths, drive large-scale, collaborative research activities and strengthen relationships with our research and healthcare partners.

The integration of discovery biology, clinical application and patient care within a single Faculty, particularly in a region with notable health inequality, provides us with a real opportunity to have a very significant and positive impact on people's lives.

Our strategic partnerships

The new Faculty will inherit a number of key strategic partnerships that underpin its ambitions to develop ground-breaking research.

Working alongside six local NHS Trusts, the Faculty will be a key member of the Manchester Academic Health Science Centre (MAHSC) - a federation of equal partners that unites leading healthcare providers with world-class academics and researchers. It aims to be a global centre for the delivery of applied health research and education and provide leadership for our local and regional health systems.

It will also play a leading role in Health Innovation Manchester (HInM), which was launched in September 2015, as part of the UK Government's decision to devolve health and social care responsibilities to Greater Manchester. HInM offers a unique opportunity to bring together health and social care, academic and life science related business resources across the region to deliver an innovative health ecosystem that can help accelerate innovation into our local health and social care systems, enhance our global scientific standing and act as a magnet for inward investment.

Key partnerships in the charitable sector include Cancer Research UK; Diabetes UK; and the Wellcome Trust; and the Faculty will also have research and funding links to a number of commercial organisations including Unilever, AstraZeneca, GlaxoSmithKline and Boots, who will help us to bring new drugs and products to the market.

Working for the University of Manchester

The University of Manchester strives to make our community a welcoming, caring and enthusiastic one, fuelling ambition with opportunities and support to help us all achieve our personal and professional goals.

Our diverse job opportunities include an attractive benefits package with family-friendly policies that provide for flexible working. We care deeply about career and personal development, offering a structured induction programme for new staff, an annual performance and development review, staff training for all career stages and mentoring opportunities to support your career development.

We have a genuine commitment to equality of opportunity for our staff and students, and are proud to employ a workforce that reflects the diverse community we serve.

As a global institution, situated at the heart of a lively, culturally diverse city, we welcome applicants of all nationalities. To help international job applicants plan for life in the UK, we have put together some useful information on passports and visas, travel to the UK, accommodation and a number of other practical considerations.

JOB DESCRIPTION

Role Background

We seek applications to work on a Wellcome Trust funded project on the dog in science and medicine in the twentieth century, focusing particularly on nutrition and genetics. The position is for 10 months in the first instance, but possibly extendable to 12 months. You will join a project

where former members have worked on the dog in veterinary medicine and the behavioural sciences, and on changing attitudes to the risks associated with dogs in modern society.

This post would suit scholars with a background in twentieth century histories of biology, the biomedical sciences, or medicine.

Key Responsibilities, Accountabilities or Duties:

- Engage in independent research related to the aims of the grant.
- Develop publications related to the aims of the grant including articles in leading journals and work towards an academic monograph.
- Present papers at academic conferences nationally and internationally.
- Be actively engaged in other activities relevant to the project including the organisation and realisation of workshops and conferences.
- Contribute to writing bids for research grants.
- Support and collaborate with colleagues within the Centre, Faculty and wider University.
- Provide support to junior colleges and students.
- Plan and prioritise own workload on a day-to-day basis.
- Be an active team-member and set positive examples by showing a commitment to achieving results, encouraging and supporting members of the team and raising suggestions for continuous improvement.

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Essential Knowledge, Skills and Experience:

- Completed or shortly hold a PhD, or equivalent, in the history of biology, or the history of medicine, or the history of veterinary medicine in the twentieth century.
- Demonstrable capacity for independent post-doctoral level researching, preparing and writing high-level outputs in print and other media.
- Demonstrated experience in interdisciplinary research, and interests that fit the science, religion and entertainment media theme.
- Demonstrable ITC literacy.
- Excellent communication skills, both written and spoken, with excellent interpersonal skills.
- Demonstrable ability to work independently and as a team member.
- Attentive and have excellent attention to detail.

- Demonstrable ability to work to deadlines and excellent organisational skills.
- Self-motivation and initiative.

The above particulars are intended as a general guide to the duties of the post and the conditions of service. They do not constitute a contract of employment between the University and the person appointed. The successful applicant will, however, receive a full set of conditions of service on appointment.
