



**PHICO
THERAPEUTICS**

Phico Therapeutics Ltd, Bertarelli Building, Bourn Hall, High Street, Bourn, Cambridgeshire, CB23 2TN

Microbiology Manager

37.5 hours per week; 25 days holiday; Salary commensurate with experience and qualifications

Permanent

We are currently recruiting a Microbiology Manager to lead our Microbiology team in Cambridge, UK. Phico Therapeutics is a biotechnology company developing novel drugs for the treatment of bacterial infections, to address the serious issue of increased antibiotic resistance worldwide. Phico's revolutionary SASPject technology uses tailored delivery vehicles to deliver the gene for antibacterial protein, SASP. Initial targets are *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Staphylococcus aureus* and *Escherichia coli*.

Candidates must possess a PhD in a biological science and be able to demonstrate a proven track record within the fields of clinical/environmental microbiology and/or bacteriophage biology research. This role involves extensive Cat 2 laboratory work. Previous experience in managing small teams to meet stringent timelines is essential. This post also requires a flexible approach to work.

The main responsibilities are:

- Management of multiple microbiology-based research projects.
- Supervision of a small, experienced team of research scientists.
- Development and application of microbiological assays for rapid screening of potential drug candidates.
- Design, development and validation of analytical assays.
- Development and application of company SOPs.
- Data management and data quality control.
- Attendance at sub-contractor sites and conferences, as required, involving overnight stays both in the UK and overseas.

Phico provides a friendly working atmosphere where teamwork and flexibility are essential. If working hard towards the goal of developing potentially life-saving products appeals to you, please send a 2-page CV and a covering letter to Dr Anne Barnard, Research Manager: anne.barnard@phicotx.co.uk.