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Candidate Profile: (Associate) Director Clinical Development/Medical Expert – 2 Candidates

Company:	BioNTech	
Education:	M.D. with strong scientific and clinical background in Infectious Diseases (e.g., Malaria, Tuberculosis), ideally with drug development (Phase 1-3) experience	
Professional Experience:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum of 2-3 years of experience within Infectious Diseases in a hospital/or the academic setting incl. contributing/participating in clinical studies. • Has been treating patients in the areas of general infectious diseases (e.g., Tuberculosis, HIV, Malaria) or pediatric infectious diseases (Malaria) • First experience in interpreting safety and efficacy clinical trial data and ensuring appropriate connection for study medical and patient safety aspects. • First experience with clinical and scientific methods and approaches used in clinical development, a plus. • Hands-on experience in supporting the ongoing clinical day-to-day work for the successful delivery of clinical trials is an advantage. • Having participated in drug development activities, e.g., as an investigator, leading to successful registration is an advantage. 	
Additional Qualifications:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ready to shape an agile and rapidly growing biotech company, and possesses a “can do” attitude and mindset. • Proficiency in English (written and spoken). • Passionate to address unmet needs in Infectious Diseases, be highly engaging, and excited to contribute to the successful development of the first mRNA vaccines for HIV, Tuberculosis and Malaria. • A genuine interest and understanding of the science supporting the pipeline, an ability to work collaboratively in a multidisciplinary team setting, and a commitment to develop new treatments to address unmet needs in Infectious Diseases are critical for success. • Exhibits consistent work practices with highest ethical standards in compliance with internal SOPs, local regulations, and laws. Lives a culture of excellence, high performance, and integrity. • Able to build alliances in a very rapidly growing organization swiftly, work in flat hierarchies and a very networked organization. • Ability to contribute to executable trial designs and protocols, a plus. 	
Assignment / Area of Activity:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You will work hand-in-hand with the VP and Senior Directors of Global Clinical Development to implement clinical strategies and operationalize in both programs and clinical trials. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helping Global Clinical Development to better understand patient needs around infectious diseases in Africa. • Characterizing the approach to the diagnosis, prevention and treatment of Tuberculosis and Malaria by various healthcare systems in Sub-Saharan Africa. • Conducting reviews of the scientific literature of clinical Tuberculosis and Malaria vaccine trials. • Conducting reviews of the scientific literature of animal models used to support Tuberculosis and Malaria vaccine development. • Provide review information of the pathophysiology and early host response to Tuberculosis and Malaria. • Contributes to a collaborative culture within and outside Global Clinical Development and actively manages best practice sharing and capability building within the clinical team. • Collaborates with other development functions (e.g. Regulatory, Pharmacovigilance, Statistics, etc.) to support clarity on clinical objectives and drives alignment on objectives and expected outcomes • Contributing to better understanding in medical feasibility and local standard of care, leading to better protocol design. • Supports the operational planning, content, execution and delivery for our programs and studies. • Acting as an advocate for patients to accelerate clinical study design in infectious diseases such as malaria.
Division / Department, Place:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You will work in the Infectious Diseases Team in our Global Clinical Development Department with a focus on Malaria, Tuberculosis and HIV. • Together with the support of the WHO and the European Commission, our goal is to build sustainable solutions for vaccine production and supply on the African continent. We are currently exploring how we could establish state-of-the-art mRNA production facilities in close proximity to African technology transfer centers, either in collaboration with partners or independently.
Remarks:	-/-
Preferred Nationality:	Subsaharan countries