Sr. Research Associate/Scientist - AAV Vector Production

Position summary:
Tevard Biosciences, an exciting company co-founded by renowned MIT molecular cell biologist Harvey Lodish developing novel tRNA based gene therapies for rare diseases, is seeking a Sr. Research Associate/Scientist - AAV Vector Production, based in Cambridge, MA.

In this role, you will work with cross-functional teams to generate AAV vectors in support of Tevard’s preclinical pipeline and novel tRNA-based therapeutic platforms. The role encompasses a diverse set of responsibilities and will enable the individual to take part in developing life-changing gene therapies for patients with severe genetic disorders. The ideal candidate will have a background in upstream and downstream AAV processes in an industry setting or academic vector core. Applicants must be highly-motivated and comfortable working in a fast-paced, start-up environment.

Key responsibilities for this position include:

- Help set up Tevard's in-house vector core
- Design and implement methods for viral vector purification
- Produce research-grade AAV vectors using adherent and/or suspension HEK293 systems (cell stacks, cell factories, small bioreactors)
- Maintain production cell lines; set up and manage helper plasmids and AAV vector stocks
- Co-ordinate production needs with different internal and external stakeholders and manage AAV supply chains
- Interface with vector production companies; assist with process development at CDMOs
- Remain up-to-date with the viral vector purification/production field by exploring novel technologies, production platforms, capsid serotypes, etc.

Minimum qualifications:

- A Masters (Sr. Research Associate), Ph.D. (Research Scientist) in Cell Biology, Molecular Biology, Virology, Biochemistry, Biotechnology, or a related discipline
- At least 5 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry (preferred) or an academic setting
- Proven track record in producing research-grade (or higher) AAV vectors using the 293 system; knowledge of baculovirus or other production systems is a plus
- Proficiency with analytical assays including, but not limited to: Western Blot, ELISA, ddPCR
- Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively in cross-functional teams and effectively prioritize and manage multiple tasks in a fluid, fast-paced work environment
• Ability to proactively manage inventory, order reagents/consumables, and maintain cell lines
• In-depth understanding of AAV biology and gene therapy.
• Scientifically rigorous, highly organized, with excellent oral and written communication skills

**Job Type:** Full-time  
**Salary:** Commensurate with role and experience

Interested parties please send CV and cover letter to careers@tevard.com.

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