Job Description (Apply online at “Working for Sanofi Global” or “ZipRecruiter” to JOB ID R2517650):

We are seeking a highly motivated and creative PhD level post-doctoral candidate to explore early stage research on the role of complement activation and vascular inflammation in sickle cell disease. The successful candidate will provide scientific leadership and play a pivotal role in advancing the understanding of complement and inflammation in the pathology of sickle cell anemia and other hematological disorders utilizing available mouse models in vivo and human donor samples to develop and explore in vitro models. The candidate will benefit from collaboration with other scientists in Sanofi Rare Blood Disorders research group, but will assume responsibility to complete leading edge research for presentation in major scientific meetings and publication in high impact journals. The ideal candidate possesses a deep understanding of complement biology, hematology and vascular inflammation with a commitment to understanding the pathology of sickle cell disease.

Responsibilities:
- Lead research efforts in Sanofi Rare Blood Disorders to execute leading edge research to understand the role of complement activation and vascular inflammation in sickle cell disease.
- Characterize global and selective blockade of complement components to decrease complement activation in sickle cell mice using genetic knock-outs and inhibitory antibodies.
- Design and execute experiments to further understand the role of complement activation and inflammation in vascular occlusion and organ pathology.
- Explore the interactions between vascular adhesion molecules and components of the complement cascade and their contribution to sickle cell pathology.
- Develop assays to characterize pathways leading to complement deposition on circulating red blood cells and subsequent hemolysis.
- Maintain a working knowledge of current experimental techniques and literature in the field of complement, vascular inflammation and hemoglobinopathies.
- Share and present scientific results to our multi-disciplinary research group and at external meetings or conferences.
- Complete leading edge research and author scientific manuscripts for publication in high impact journals.
- Work well with colleagues in a matrixed, fast-paced pharmaceutical research environment.

Qualifications – “the ideal candidate”:
- Has relevant expertise in in vivo and ex vivo pharmacology, hematology and cellular immunology.
- Has a working knowledge of complement, the immune system and sickle cell disease.
- Is experienced and comfortable handling small animals and models of transgenic mouse pathology.
- Is experienced in tissue culture, cell based assays, flow cytometry and ex vivo assays.
- Possesses an understanding of research in red blood cell pathology, hemolytic anemias or hemoglobinopathies.
- Is up-to-date on relevant literature and applies knowledge to current issues in complement, inflammation and hematology.
- Effectively communicates and collaborates in a multi-disciplinary team environment.
- Can work independently and proactively; is a self-starter and results-driven.
- Has a track record of completing independent research and publishing and presenting results.

Education:
PhD in Immunology, Hematology, Vascular Biology or relevant biological science. Postdoc training in a related field is a plus.

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