



**Job Title:** Research Fellow

**Grade:** 8

**Salary:** £49,559 to £51,039 per annum due to funding restrictions, pro rata if part-time

**Department:** Cardiovascular Sciences

**Hours/Contract:** Full-time, or job share considered, fixed term contract to 30 April 2026

**Job Family:** Teaching and Research

**Reference:** 10741

## Role Purpose

The successful applicant will lead a novel NIHR RfPB funded research project within the kidney research team to understand the which blood pressure drugs are most efficacious in adults who have or are at risk of kidney disease. This will include undertaking a systematic review and performing a component network meta-analysis.

## Main Duties and Responsibilities

### Research:

Direct and perform ground-breaking research leading to discipline-shaping outcomes:

- To design and deliver a systematic review and component network meta-analysis using appropriate techniques to meet key milestones
- To contribute to the development of novel approaches for evidence synthesis and effective methods of dissemination
- To carry out literature searches within pre-specified parameters
- To contribute to the overall research programme using innovative research models, novel approaches and techniques.
- In agreement with the line manager, liaise with our academic collaborators, NHS partners and our patient and public involvement and engagement (PPIE) panel to ensure maximum impact of the research findings
- To publishing research outputs which are assessed as internationally and world leading research as per the University Output Review Policy
- To disseminate research/results and/or promotion of research group/expertise at national and international conferences
- To coach and mentor others in area of professional expertise.
- To identify opportunities to apply for fellowship and/or project grants
- To actively seek opportunities to carry out multi-disciplinary research with other research groups at the University, or stakeholders
- Contribute to the overall success of the research programme

### Professional Development

- To engage in work and opportunities that support your own professional development.





**Impact and Knowledge Exchange:**

- To disseminate and share expertise through communication and public engagement activities
- To represent the work of the University in the specific field locally and nationally in appropriate networks and/or in public activities
- To contribute to research impact

**Leadership and Citizenship:**

- To innovate in an area of engagement activity e.g outreach, widening participation, public debate and awareness at national and/or international level
- To support outreach activities beyond the University

**Internal and External Relationships**

- Communicate and liaise with colleagues, research collaborators and NHS partners involved in the above mentioned research programme, on a regular basis to review and plan research and dissemination activities
- Liaise with the patient co-applicant and patient and public involvement and engagement panel
- Disseminate scientific results at national and international conferences
- Participate in School/departmental and university-wide seminar and public engagement activities to stimulate dissemination of information and collaboration

**Hybrid-working**

Expectation that the successful candidate will work at the Glenfield Hospital for 1 day a week.

**Planning and Organising**

- The post-holder will be required to effectively manage their time to deliver on the priorities of the research programme.
- Plan for specific aspects of research incorporating issues such as deadlines, project milestones and overall research aims
- Plan and co-ordinate with collaborators
- Take a lead on planning and organising patient and public involvement and engagement (PPIE) panel meetings and focus groups
- Plan, organise and submit grant applications for further and supplementary funding.

**Qualifications, Knowledge and Experience**

**Essential**

- PhD (or near completion) or significant equivalent/demonstrable other experience in Medical Statistics\*





- Emerging/developing research profile and/or respected nationally/international profile for area of expertise\*
- Practical experience and knowledge of applying research skills and techniques to deliver outputs on time and to the required quality\*
- Experience of systematic review, quantitative evidence synthesis (e.g. meta-analysis, network meta-analysis) within a healthcare setting\*
- Proven track record of delivering research on time

**Desirable**

- Track record of playing an active role in supporting postgraduate research students
- Experience of health technology assessment methodological research\*
- Evidence of leading/contributing to successful grant applications

**Skills, Abilities and Competencies**

**Essential**

- Ability to demonstrate research potential and enthusiasm for the subject area and contribute to delivering high quality research \*
- Excellent analytical and problem solving skills \*
- Excellent planning and organisational skills\*
- Commitment to Personal Professional Development in subject expertise \*
- Evidence of working effectively as part of a team and the ability to work independently
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills consistent with writing publications and giving excellent presentations\*
- Ability to prioritise tasks within agreed work schedules\*
- Willingness to participate in meetings and conferences to support the dissemination of results and findings
- Experience of and demonstrable aptitude for public engagement
- Ability to contribute successfully to securing research funding where applicable

***\*Criteria to be used in shortlisting candidates for interview***

**Reason for Fixed Term Contract**

The reason for the fixed term contract is stated in section 1.9 in the summary of contractual terms in your contract of employment.

**Criminal Declaration**

If you become an employee, you must inform your manager immediately, in writing, if you are the subject of any current or future police investigations/legal proceedings, which could result in a criminal offence, conviction, caution, bind-over or charges, or warnings.

**Supporting University Activities**





As a University of Leicester citizen, you are expected to support key university activities such as clearing, graduation ceremonies, student registration and recruitment open days. We expect all staff as citizens to work flexibly across the University if required.

### University Values

**Inclusive** - We are diverse in our makeup and united in ambition. Our diversity is our strength and makes our community stronger.

**Inspiring** - We are passionate about inspiring individuals to succeed and realise their ambitions. We challenge our community to think differently, to get involved, and to constantly embrace new ideas.

**Impactful** - As Citizens of Change we will generate new ideas which deliver impact and empower our community

### Equity and Diversity

We believe that equity, diversity and inclusion is integral to a successful modern workplace. By developing and implementing policies and systems that challenge stereotypes across all aspects of our work, we have a culture that recognises and values the diverse contributions of our staff which benefits everyone. Our strong values of inclusivity and equity support our efforts to attract a diverse range of high quality staff and students, and identify our University as a progressive and innovative workplace that mainstreams equity, diversity and inclusion.

