

Program Execution Lead, Data42

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Summary

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At data42, part of Novartis Biomedical Research, our vision is to empower and inspire Novartis' research and development community in harnessing inter-connected multimodal internal and external data in a securely governed platform. We strive to accelerate additional research across a continuum of research, development and medical to unlock insights leading to the discovery and development of new medicines for patients.

As a Program Execution Lead, you will work closely with the science team to manage priority projects, such as the "Golden use-cases" within data42, a leading data analytics platform for Novartis research and development. You will be a key member of the operations team, establishing best practices for impactful use cases. Your responsibilities include overseeing, coordinating, and monitoring activities to generate valuable business insights.

This role will also encompass extensive stakeholder management, facilitating collaborations within the company and driving projects aimed at serving a wide customer base within Novartis.

As a leader within data42, you will be required to contribute to the continuous evolution of the data42 team by being an enthusiastic, cooperative and collaborative team player as well as a mentor to junior members. In this role, you'll have an opportunity to bring your open-mindedness and innovative attitude for this high visibility, pioneering team!

About the Role

Responsibilities:

- Partnering with the science delivery team to ensure operational management of priority projects, such as "Golden use-cases" within data42 - an industry-leading data analytics platform for Novartis research and development.
- Be a critical member of an operations team building expertise to codify repeatable best practices related to achieving these highly impactful use cases.
- Providing project oversight including, coordination and monitoring of key-activities performed by data42 teams and business stakeholders to identify, ingest, unify, transform and analyze data to generate valuable business insights in a documented and reproducible way.
- Collaborating very closely with the scientific lead accountable for the disease area of the project.
- Fully responsible for successful project delivery, monitoring and tracking, managing the projects from startup to completion.

- Planning and organizing the project. Setting priorities, manage risks for the project, provide status reports to management.
- Ensuring quality standards including documentation, reusability and continuous improvements of deliverables for future projects (templates) with adherence to data governance.
- Leading teams of diverse background to achieve a common project goal.
- Ensuring consistent link between all platform teams – operations, data, and technology.
- Creating transparency, surface bottlenecks, and communicate learnings to other teams and team members.

Requirements:

- Degree in a relevant discipline or equivalent experience in a relevant field.
- At least 10 years of professional experience in project/program management in a dynamic and complex environment, including experience working with technology, data engineering and data science teams.
- 5+ years life science or healthcare experience.
- 3+ years of cross-/multi-functional leadership experience with demonstrated capability to build relationships and successfully communicate with business leaders and team members.
- Solid toolkit knowledge for product leadership that includes an understanding of Agile and Lean methodologies, and OKRs.
- Medical knowledge to understand the key scientific question & challenge business owners for in-depth and hypothesis validation.
- Deep understanding of users and state-of-the-art technology options.
- Knowledge of Generative AI and Large Language Models (LLM).
- Proficiency in English (written & oral)

Desirable:

- A Master's degree in business administration
- Drug discovery and/or development experience.
- Experience of delivery through Agile and/or Lean methodologies.
- Experience working on innovation, startups or digital/tech. How can we achieve this?

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With our people. It is our associates that drive us each day to reach our ambitions. Be a part of this mission and join us! Learn more here: <https://www.novartis.com/about/strategy/people-and-culture>

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Division

Biomedical Research

Business Unit

Universal Hierarchy Node

Location

United Kingdom

Site

London (The Westworks)

Company / Legal Entity

GB16 (FCRS = GB016) Novartis Pharmaceuticals UK Ltd.

Alternative Location 1

Dublin (Country President Office (CPO)), Ireland

Functional Area

Research & Development

Job Type

Full time

Employment Type

Regular

Shift Work

No

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