

Director of BactiVac, the Bacterial Vaccines Network

The University of Birmingham seeks to appoint an outstanding and internationally recognised expert in bacterial vaccinology to the prestigious position of Director of BactiVac, the Bacterial Vaccines Network.

BactiVac is a worldwide Network of over 2,000 members spread across 92 countries, with a One Health mission to accelerate the development of vaccines against global bacterial infections relevant to low- and middle-income countries (LMICs). Founded in 2017 and currently funded by UK Research & Innovation (UKRI), Wellcome and the UK Government Department for Health and Social Care (DHSC), BactiVac brings together members from academia, industry and policy sectors within one sustainable network. BactiVac supports collaborative projects addressing bottlenecks in vaccine development, oversees training of early-stage researchers, and is an internationally recognised voice for the advancement of bacterial vaccines and their role in reducing antimicrobial resistance.

The Director will set strategy and overall trajectory, oversee ongoing growth, represent the Network globally and engage with key stakeholders. The position is supported by an operations team of seven employees at the University of Birmingham who manage the day-to-day activity of the network.

Anticipated time commitment: equivalent to 4 days a month. Location: Birmingham or remote with 3-4 in person team meetings per annum.

This represents an exciting opportunity for a suitably qualified individual to lead a mature vaccines network and have real global impact in vaccinology.

For any queries on the recruitment and/or to discuss the role, please contact Professor Alan McNally (a.mcnally.1@bham.ac.uk), Head of the School of Infection, Inflammation and Immunology, University of Birmingham, UK.

Application process:

Applicants should submit a CV together with a statement on their suitability and vision for the role (maximum 2 pages) to Dr Eliot Marston, Deputy Director of Operations (Research), College of Medicine & Health, University of Birmingham, UK (e.d.marston@bham.ac.uk) by 28 February 2025.

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