

Translational Biology: Principal Scientist to Director

Unique opportunity to contribute to science and culture of Kymera Therapeutics, a biotechnology company pioneering a transformative new approach to treating previously untreatable diseases. The company is advancing the field of targeted protein degradation, accessing the body's innate protein recycling machinery to degrade rather than inhibit dysregulated, disease-causing proteins. We seek a translational biology to join the Kymera team, that is accelerating drug discovery with an unmatched ability to target and degrade the most intractable of proteins, and advance new treatment options for patients.

Position responsibilities:

- Design, direct, execute, and analyze focused in-house and CRO studies using animal and human primary cells and/or tissue samples to
 - investigate suitable disease indications for targets in the pipeline
 - explore potential patient stratification approaches
 - develop assays that can be used to monitor target engagement and proof of biology in the clinic, that will enable biomarker-driven decisions
- Be the translational expert, provide scientific input and strategy into projects across the pipeline
- Lead a project from early discovery to development candidate
- Work effectively with other disciplines to build the preclinical data package and position the molecule for the clinic
- Participate in evaluation of targets to continually refresh the drug discovery pipeline, progress the platform, and contribute to the R&D strategy
- Identify, initiate, maintain collaborations with CROs, academic labs, and companies
- Proactively recognize and solve technical and scientific issues to assure high quality data from internal and external resources
- Contribute to building a positive, team-oriented biotech culture

Qualifications – the ideal candidate will be

- Proficient in progressing small molecules through discovery to IND, in oncology or immunology, with a track record of leading projects and teams that drive go/no go decisions.
- Skilled in using primary human cells and whole blood to develop assays with potential for clinical use. Experience with histology or with writing SOPs and validating lab sites a plus.
- Experienced in collecting and analyzing genomics, transcriptomics, or proteomics data and applying the information to validate biomarkers. Experience with large dataset analysis, bioinformatics a plus.
- An excellent project manager, possessing the ability to effectively manage CROs to execute studies on time and on budget, and to facilitate interactions with academic labs and companies.
- Self-driven and flexible, to adapt own and others' workplans quickly to changing priorities and deadlines.
- A PhD, MD/PhD in biology, with 6+ years' experience beyond postdoctoral work, maintained bench presence a plus.
- Looking to advance and excel in their position while contributing to overall company growth.