Job description : Chief Scientific Officer

The Pepper public private Platform is located in Paris. It is a non-profit association whose work started in 2020. It deals with the validation of bioassays intending to identify endocrine disruptive properties of chemicals. It organizes and contributes to the funding of the validation operations for toxicology and ecotoxicology testing, with a view to conduct such methods to an international recognition such as the one provided by OECD Test Guidelines.

Pepper is now working on the validation of 11 methods, with two challenges: increasing, as expected by many international organisations, the efficiency of the validation management; ending the first series of validations.

The Role

Pepper is a team of 5 people.

The tasks in Pepper are:

- Assessment of readiness of candidate methods.
- Design of the validation experiments (how many substances, how many labs, planning steps...), issue of a call for participating laboratories, but also put together an expert group (“validation management group”), selection of contractors (data management, statistics... substance selection and preparation).
- Follow up and management of the process, including evolutions in the experimental procedure, reporting conclusions to the Pepper Scientific Council.
- Proposal of the method to international institutions, drafting of a validation report conduction of the process to an end.

A project Manager is devoted to each method.

You will be in charge of supervising the scientific issues arising for all the methods as they appear at the various above-mentioned steps.

You will be in charge of the relationship with the Scientific Council, and with scientific projects where endocrine disrupters and validation issues are dealt with. You will be in charge of promoting Pepper in the scientific domain.

You will act as project manager on some methods, and you will participate to the various tasks in Pepper, such as contribution to newsletter and other dissemination activities.

The Role involves developing strong relationships with Pepper governance, with the research ecosystem where these methods are being developed and with European and international organisations in charge of regulatory acceptance (OECD, ISO...).
Profile

Engineer degree or PhD in Pharmacy, toxicology or biology
With a minimum of 10 years of experience, you have a deep knowledge on operational procedures associated with an assay and a sound knowledge of experimental research processes, especially in the field of endocrine disrupters.
You are also experienced in working with regulatory bodies dealing with validation.
Fluency in English is a must have. Practice of French is a plus.
Please send your CV with a covering letter including your salary expectations to Philippe HUBERT CEO of Pepper. philippe.hubert@ed-pepper.eu