

RESEARCH MANAGER (IMPACT AND INSIGHTS)



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WHO WE ARE

For nearly 5 million people with diabetes in the UK, there's no day off. At Diabetes UK, we fight day in, day out for better care, treatment and support. We won't stop until diabetes can do no harm. With more people than ever living with diabetes and millions more at risk of developing type 2, our work has never been more needed.

We can't do any of this without you. Our staff are passionate and determined about helping everyone affected by diabetes. For over 85 years, they've been behind vital policy changes, as well as new treatments and technologies to make living with diabetes easier every day. But there's more to do. And you can be part of it.

We're a really diverse bunch and we recognise and respect your value as an individual.

As well as helping people with diabetes, you'll be part of one of the top 30 Best

UK Charities to Work For, and one of the top 75 Best Large Companies in London.

Tackling inequality is part of our mission, and we're committed to being a diverse and inclusive organisation, for all of our people and volunteers. We have a friendly and inclusive culture, with a range of staff networks and ways to get involved. You can find out more about our approach to equity, diversity and inclusion in our strategy here [EDI Strategy Branded version 22 March 2023.pdf](#).

Our vision is a world where diabetes can do no harm. Join us today, and together, we can make that a reality.



JOB DESCRIPTION

Role title: Research Manager (Impact and Insights)

Contract type: Fixed Term, 12 Months

Hours: 35 hours per week

Band: 5

Key relationships (internal and external):

Internal: Type 1 Diabetes Grand Challenge Delivery Group, Research Impact and Communications Team, Research Funding Team, Strategy and Planning Team

External: Diabetes UK-funded researchers, Breakthrough T1D UK, Steve Morgan Foundation, people living with diabetes

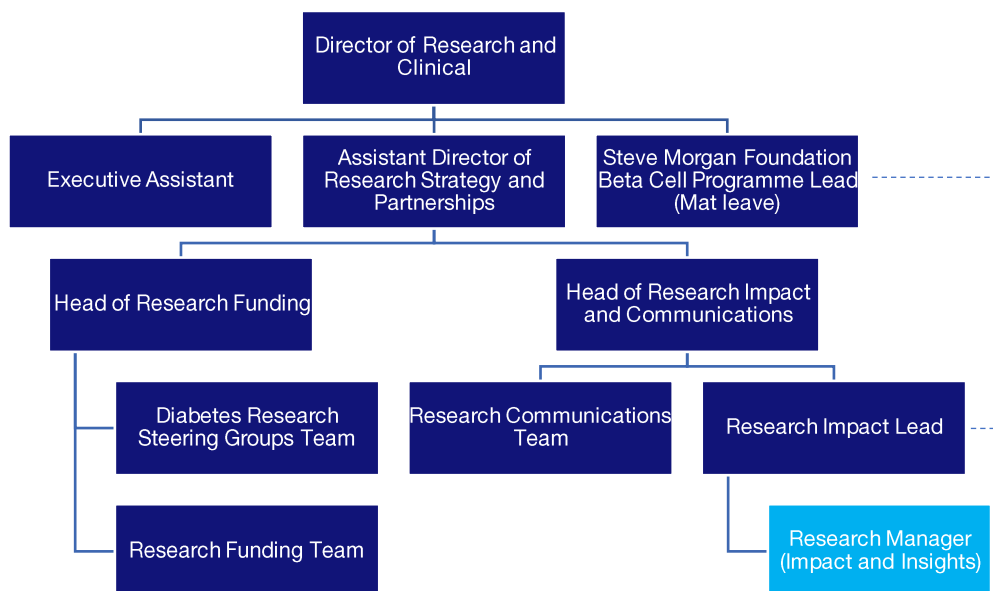
Key focus of the role:

This is an exciting opportunity to support delivery of the [Type 1 Diabetes Grand Challenge](#) (T1DGC). The T1DGC is a £50 million partnership between the Steve Morgan Foundation, Diabetes UK and Breakthrough T1D UK and has been underway since 2022. The T1DGC aims to tackle three key challenges for type 1 diabetes: understanding the root causes of type 1 diabetes, developing new and improved treatments to replace or regenerate beta cells, and developing novel insulins. Diabetes UK leads on the delivery of the £30 million Beta Cell Therapy area, which currently includes 14 active research grants.

The Research Manager will develop an in-depth knowledge of the Beta Cell Therapy research projects and programmes funded through Diabetes UK, ensuring that the programme is delivered to a high standard and all research activities, outputs, outcomes and impact are captured and evaluated. This information will be used to demonstrate the progress and impact of this research to internal and external stakeholders, showing how it is moving us closer to our goal of developing new treatments and a cure for type 1 diabetes. The Research Manager will also support the T1DGC as needed with new funding calls, events and internal and external communications.

Directorate and team

This role sits in the [Research Impact and Communications Team](#) in the [Research and Clinical Directorate](#).



Person specification

All jobs at Diabetes UK are based on

- The key activities you'll undertake and
- The skills, knowledge, experience and behaviours you need to be successful in this role

You will be able to:

- Build excellent relationships with our funded researchers through quarterly online meetings and email communication, acquiring an in-depth knowledge of research progress, challenges and impact. You will be able to confidently chair meetings with research teams, asking insightful questions about their research and answering questions about the T1DGC initiative.
- Identify actions, key updates, challenges and risks from meetings with researchers to feed back to the team.
- Ensure research activities, outputs, outcomes and impact data are recorded centrally and kept up-to-date, working closely with other team members and our partner

Breakthrough T1D UK to maintain a consistent and standardised approach and make improvements.

- Produce metrics and case studies to include in internal Diabetes UK updates, partnership updates to the Steve Morgan Foundation, and external communications to the wider community to demonstrate progress and impact.
- Support the team with other related activities, including implementing new funding calls, running events and workshops, feeding into internal and external communications, and supporting with governance of the programme. This may include some work related to the Clinical Trial Network.

You will have experience in:

- Working in a research environment
- Working at a research funder (desirable but not required)
- Data and evidence collection, analysis and visualisation, including quantitative and qualitative methodologies and good working knowledge of methods for data analysis

You will have skills in:

- Engaging confidently with different types of external stakeholders
- Data analysis and interpretation
- Excellent written and oral communication, including the ability to communicate and translate complex scientific and statistical information clearly and effectively to different stakeholders
- Working flexibly, as part of a team as well as independently

You will have knowledge of:

- Biomedical science (diabetes desirable but not required)
- The research funding landscape
- Research impact evaluation (desirable but not required)

The best person for this job will be (behaviours):

- Proactive and willing to try new things
- Comfortable sharing ideas and suggestions
- Curious and willing to learn
- Collaborative
- Comfortable and able to navigate complexity and uncertainty

Qualifications/professional membership (if applicable):

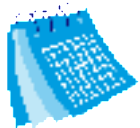
A first- or second-class degree in a relevant biomedical science or statistical discipline is essential. A post graduate qualification in a relevant science or statistical discipline is desirable.

BENEFITS

We know you do more than just work. And that means you might be a parent, carer, friend, volunteer or partner.

We want to make sure that we can help you create a good balance between work and the other parts of your life.

And one way we do that is with benefits we offer you.



Annual leave

We want you to make sure you get time off to rest and relax. So, all full-time permanent employees get 25 days off a year, with bank holidays on top of this.



Connected working

We have adopted a 'connected working' way of working. This means that, for most roles, you are not required to work in an office location every day.



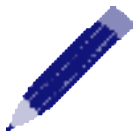
Pension

We enrol everyone into our pension and all new colleagues joining us will get information on the pension scheme. We make an employer contribution of at least 5%.



Healthcare

Our cash healthcare plan that allows you to claim back the cost of regular health appointments and treatment, like the dentist and optician.



Learning and development

We help you to continually develop and achieve your career goals, including offering a wide range of training which happens throughout the year.



Gym membership

We have a gym membership discount scheme through our cash healthcare plan provider. You can use this at a wide variety of gyms around the UK.



Our Networks

A range of active and supportive colleague networks such as the Pride network, Global Majority network and Women's network.



Early finish Friday

Early finish Friday and flexible working as part of our approach to activity-based working (not applicable to roles with fixed shift patterns).



Employee assistance programme

Employee assistance programme to give you support on any issues that come up in life.



Annual season ticket loan

Annual season ticket loan* (on completion of your probation period and if contract is permanent or longer than 12 months).



Cycle to work scheme

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Get in touch

Email recruitment@diabetes.org.uk

Call **0345 123 2399**

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