

# (Senior) Scientist Medicinal Chemistry

Proxygen's mission is to harness the most innovative, cutting-edge technologies and know-how to redefine the limits of what is druggable. Most drugs are designed to block one specific function of a disease-causing protein. But over 80% of human proteins are not accessible via this approach and are generally considered "undruggable". At Proxygen, we specialize in a completely different class of drugs, called molecular glue degraders. These have the unprecedented potential to tackle diseases that have thus far been considered "undruggable".

Originating from one of the most prestigious research institutions in Europe, our irrevocable focus lies on excellence in everything we do. While being proud to be a truly Viennese company, our team comes from almost all regions of the world — with one common goal in mind: pushing the boundaries of what is druggable.

We are looking for an enthusiastic full-time (Senior) Scientist Medicinal Chemistry excited to reach this goal together with us and help grow Proxygen to the next level.

#### What we are looking for

- Degree or PhD in organic chemistry or medicinal chemistry preferably with some experience of working in a drug discovery environment
- Proven track record of contributing synthetic and medicinal chemistry expertise to enable
  the rapid progression of screening hits into validated lead(s) (or chemical probe), ideally in
  the targeted protein degradation field
- Innovative and creative problem solver, with expert knowledge of modern organic chemistry
- Excellent organizational skills and attention to detail
- Commitment to goals and a sense of urgency in fulfilling ambitious objectives
- Self-driven, self-motivated, flexible, and adaptable, positive δ constructive attitude
- Experience in managing, directing, and prioritizing the work of a small team of synthetic chemists would be a distinct plus

# What your main responsibilities will be

- Chemistry leadership of hit validation, hit-to-lead, and lead optimization activities to identify molecular glue degrader compounds having appropriate pharmaceutical properties
- Analysis and evaluation of bioassay and ADME-PK datasets to design target compounds
- Design of focused libraries of small molecule glue degrader molecules
- Coordination of outsourced chemistry activities with multiple local and global partners
- Cross-functional integration with other disciplines internally to advance research projects in a timely fashion



### What we offer

- Cutting edge drug discovery in a state-of-the-art equipped biotech company with a clear focus on pushing the boundaries of the druggable space
- A young, dynamic, and highly international team that regularly gets together for company events and happy hours
- Full support of professional development (conference attendance, courses, etc.) aligned to your individual career goals
- Abundant infrastructure with supermarkets, cafés, restaurants, cafeteria, and a convenient connection to Vienna's public transport, all around the corner
- Flexible work hours & home office, possibility to work remotely

## **Application details**

Please submit your application including a letter of motivation and curriculum vitae with contact details of two referees to hr@proxygen.com in one single PDF. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled. Please refer to "MedChem" in the subject line of your email.

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