



DIRECTOR OF SCIENCE

OVERVIEW

The Director of Science provides strategic vision and execution to advance the Barth Syndrome Foundation's (BSF) scientific research programs, putting affected individuals first and leading initiatives that deliver best-in-class science.

The Director of Science is a dynamic, collaborative and highly motivated leader who has a deep interest in Barth syndrome (BTHS) and scientific research in academic and industry settings and a desire to operate at the frontiers of science and rare disease therapies. Equally important, he/she also exhibits enormous compassion for the BSF community and affected individuals, integrating him/herself as a trusted advisor among our families.

The Director of Science brings an entrepreneurial spirit to the development of therapies for Barth syndrome, an enthusiasm to work across many different stakeholders (including academia, industry, and regulatory), a strong commitment to patient advocacy, and a desire to grow BSF's reputation as a best-in-class biomedical foundation.

Through BSF's research grant program and also through other vehicles, he/she:

- Seeks out, identifies, and evaluates research opportunities and collaborations across diverse sectors and potential partners
 - Advances successful early-stage and preclinical studies towards translational work to pave a path to the clinic
 - Promotes a competitive commercial landscape for therapies to treat or cure Barth syndrome
 - Through a trained eye, qualifies partnering opportunities that align with BSF's strategic goals and values to expedite market access to much-needed novel therapies
 - Promotes and upholds BSF's reputation as an honest broker and a highly principled patient advocacy organization
 - Defines and grows areas of strategic focus to progress BSF's mission; and
 - Provides scientific leadership across the R&D spectrum of research projects
- All with the objective to chart paths to making unprecedented progress towards creating a world where Barth syndrome no longer causes suffering or loss of life.



OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

- Exemplify unwavering ethics in objective evaluation and interpretation of research results
- Demonstrate proven track record of and/or interest in research business development (identifying, negotiating, persuading, cultivating and sourcing both commercial and academic partnerships)
- Possess highly developed interpersonal skills, including tact, diplomacy, and flexibility to work with academics, clinicians, staff, donors, governmental representatives, consultants, industry collaborators, non-profit collaborators, and the general public
- Possess proficiency of research and development – the science, the process, the stakeholders
- Completed, at a minimum, postdoctoral training in rare disease or other discipline with potential applicability to Barth syndrome and possess 5-10 years of work experience in an academic or life sciences setting
- Proven ability to establish cooperative and respectful working relationships and communicate effectively with co-workers, personnel in other functions, Board members, SMAB members, and volunteers
- Thrive in a highly dynamic, startup environment
- Have desire, discipline, and ability to work virtually