

Title: Applications Scientist
Department: Clinical Platform Prototyping Group (CPP)
Location: Marlborough, MA

About Akoya Biosciences:

As 'The Spatial Biology Company®', Akoya Biosciences' mission is to bring context to the world of biology and human health through the power of spatial phenotyping. The company offers comprehensive single-cell imaging solutions that allow researchers to phenotype cells with spatial context and visualize how they organize and interact to influence disease progression and treatment response. Akoya offers two distinct solutions, the CODEX® and Phenoptics™ platforms, to serve the diverse needs of researchers across discovery, translational and clinical research.

Position Summary:

Akoya is seeking an Application Scientist to work within our new Clinical Platform Prototyping (CPP) Group in Marlborough MA. CPP is responsible for developing new multiplexed IHC methods and workflows using Akoya's Phenoptics mIF platform for exploratory and validation studies.

CPP sits within Applications, a dynamic team that engages with important strategic collaborators in academia and in the pharmaceutical industry to help facilitate adoption of the Phenoptics platform, including advancing the platform toward clinical applications.

CPP will build tools that help with clinical workflow development and facilitate clinical innovation leveraging insights from academic collaborations, Akoya/Pharma partnerships, and internal R&D.

Essential Duties & Responsibilities:

The successful candidate will be collaborative and well versed in immunohistochemistry (IHC), immunofluorescence (IF), and quantitative pathology applications. A track record of IHC assay development and validation in a GCLP or related regulated environment would be beneficial but is not required. The candidate should however have a solid understanding of IHC and tissue biomarkers in biomarker-driven clinical trials.

- We also welcome applications from candidates able to perform statistical analyses and data visualization using packages such as R, Python, and/or MATLAB for the quantification of IHC staining expression, including tumor/stroma classification and cellular feature extraction.
- Support the development of new applications and contribute to scientific posters and presentations for use at global conferences and in peer-reviewed publications.
- Generate data for use in scientific technical content for use and adoption by our sales and marketing teams, such as technical briefs and application notes.
- Communicate with internal R&D researchers to promote innovation and original thinking in execution of research tasks at a level equivalent to state-of-the-art in the industry.
- Collaborate with internal Applications and Advanced Biopharma Services team members to accomplish specific task/team objectives within project timelines.

- Accountable for meeting scheduled completion dates and for providing timely feedback.
- Demonstrate proactive and original thinking in execution of tasks involved with all projects.
- Exhibit excellent oral and written communication skills.

Skills & Requirements

- Requires a BS with 3-5 years of experience, a MS with 0-3 years of experience or a PhD with 0-2 years of experience in a Life Sciences related area in an academic or bio/pharma environment.
- Experience with immunofluorescent staining and imaging, preferably with multiplex immunofluorescence using the Phenoptics workflow.
- Proven knowledge in one or more of the following areas: IHC, Histology, digital/quantitative pathology, cancer immunology, immunology, cancer biology and biomarker discovery/validation.
- Highly organized with attention to details and excellent information management, time management, and organization skills.
- Ability to learn quickly and work effectively, both independently and within a team environment.
- Self-motivated and energetic with a results-focused approach to achieving daily goals and activities.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills and the ability to clearly communicate scientific objectives and project results.

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