

Clinical Partnerships Lead

Vitznau & Hertenstein – 80-100%

We are seeking a motivated candidate for a Clinical Partnerships Lead position at the Lake Lucerne Institute (LLUI). The successful candidate will be responsible for developing and managing LLUI's clinical partnerships, working closely with hospitals, rehabilitation centres, and other clinical institutions that collaborate closely with LLUI.

The mission of LLUI's Health Department is to translate state-of-the-art neuroscientific research into routine clinical practice, in collaboration with a growing network of clinical partners. LLUI designs and leads the research, while its clinical partners provide the settings where new approaches are tested, refined, and delivered to patients. Together, these partnerships support a broad portfolio of neurology and neurorehabilitation projects spanning stroke recovery and neuroplasticity, often in patients with complex neurological conditions.

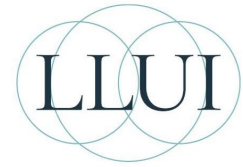
LLUI faculty and research programs are growing fast, and the institute is aiming to become an accredited University Institute by the end of 2027. LLUI's clinical partners are primarily based in Switzerland, with growing activity across the Middle East and South Asia. The successful candidate will contribute to LLUI's growth strategy by establishing durable clinical partnerships in Switzerland, and then expanding these into further regions over the coming years.

Job description

The successful candidate will be responsible for building and maintaining the institutional relationships that the Department's research programme depends on, by establishing partnerships with hospitals, stroke units, and rehabilitation centres to serve as recruitment sites and research collaborators.

This is not a patient-facing or treatment role, and it does not involve the practice of medicine. It is an outward-facing partnerships role suited to a candidate with a strong clinical background. The successful candidate is one who has a medical (or clinical) background that allows them to engage senior physicians as a peer, communicate fluently with clinical and research teams, and understand the requirements of a study on the clinical team. The role calls for someone who can build professional trust that turns an initial conversation into a durable, working collaboration.

- Identify, approach, and secure collaboration agreements with hospitals, stroke units, and rehabilitation centres, initially in Switzerland and subsequently across the Middle East and South Asia



- Serve as the primary relationship owner for each partner institution on behalf of LLUI, sustaining these relationships over the long term
- Act as the link between the research team and partner-site physicians, translating the needs of each into terms the other can act on
- Support partner clinicians in understanding recruitment criteria and referral pathways, and relay their feedback so that study protocols remain workable in practice
- Draw on physician-to-physician relationships across regions to open new avenues for recruitment and research cooperation
- Establish and oversee the agreements and processes governing the secure exchange of clinical data between sites, in line with GCP, ethical, and data-protection requirements
- Coordinate the scheduling of assessments and the use of shared research facilities (e.g., MRI, TMS)
- Maintain Standard Operating Procedures, the Trial Master File, and data quality (e.g., in REDCap) to GCP and ethical standards

Profile

- A clinical degree, with Medicine strongly preferred, and the professional standing it confers to engage physicians and hospital leadership credibly
 - Substantial clinical experience with the kind of complex cases the program handles, sufficient to hold a substantive dialogue with the clinicians the candidate will work alongside
 - A demonstrated track record of building and sustaining working relationships across institutions and multidisciplinary teams
 - Strong organisational skills and the capacity to work independently, together with the diplomatic judgement to move between clinical, academic, and administrative stakeholders
 - A working knowledge of Good Clinical Practice and clinical research standards
 - Fluency in English
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- A Bachelor in Medicine is desirable, however this role does not involve the practice of medicine in Switzerland.
 - Experience working in healthcare system across multiple countries, with the networks and cultural fluency to also establish partnerships abroad – established connections in the Middle East or South Asia are a distinct asset
 - Fluencies in multiple language - German, Arabic, Urdu/Hindi for engaging Swiss and international partners respectively
 - Hands-on exposure to MRI or TMS research environments

**Workplace**

The main workplace is the Lake Lucerne Institute (LLUI) in Vitznau and Hertenstein. The role also involves regular exchange and travel to LLUI's clinical partner institutions in Switzerland and, as the partnership network grows, internationally.

We offer

- A central, outward-facing role at LLUI within a research programme that is growing both in Switzerland and internationally
- Close collaboration with leading clinicians and researchers in neurology and stroke rehabilitation
- The autonomy to build a partnership network from the ground up, from its Swiss foundations to its international reach

We are committed to equality

The institute commits to equality in general and gender equality in particular as set out in its Gender Equality Plan.

Curious? So are we.

We look forward to receiving your application via email with the following documents until August 31st 2026:

- Curriculum Vitae including educational history, full list of publications, awards, etc.
- Motivation statement of max. two A4 pages covering your interests, goals, experiences, and how they would relate to the advertised position
- Diplomas
- Names, e-mail addresses, and phone numbers of at least two references, mentioning for each of them the professional relationship you have with them

Application documents are sent to wala.jaser@llui.org. For any questions regarding the position please contact meret.branscheidt@llui.org.

Incomplete applications or applications that do not correspond to the published profile will not be considered.