

JOB DESCRIPTION

Vacancy Ref: A2526

Job Title: Senior Research Associate for the TRANSCEND project Present Grade: 7

Department/College: Engineering Department

Directly responsible to: Professor Colin Boxall

Supervisory responsibility for: Research Students, Masters Students, UG Project Students

Other contacts

Internal: Other academic staff and (senior) research associates in the Nuclear Research Group; research staff on related projects

External: Collaborators / partners working on the project / TRANSCEND Consortium.

Major Duties:

- Undertaking and lead research necessary to achieve Lancaster University's aims within the EPSRC-funded "TRANsformative SCience & ENgineering for Nuclear Decommissioning (TRANSCEND)" project.
 More specifically, to assist with the key goal of achieving an understanding of the surface chemistry of plutonium dioxide.
- 2. Working effectively in a cross-disciplinary academic-industry team to achieve the above goal, and to be prepared to perform active experimentation on real plutonium bearing samples.
- 3. To undertake periods of placement, away from Lancaster Campus, at active experimental facilities in the UK and overseas, said placements to last up to three months at a time.
- 4. Leading the planning, development, and publication of our work within the project.
- 5. Preparing and presenting of talks, posters and reports to disseminate the results of the research.
- 6. Participating in national and international conferences and workshops to present the results of the project to a wider audience and to learn about current advances in the field.
- 7. Taking a lead in the preparation of (potentially collaborative) journal papers for publication of project findings.
- 8. Participating in all project meetings, including the development of progress reports describing and reflecting on the results of the project.
- 9. Participating in (and ultimately taking the lead in) writing new research proposals that build on the expertise developed in this project particularly proposals relating to gaining access to active, large-scale and / or international facilities.
- 10. Support the co-ordination, administration and supervision of research students within the Department, especially those working in nuclear related areas.
- 11. Through the above, develop an independent and leading research profile internationally.
- 12. Any other duties appropriate to the grade and position as directed by your line manager.