



EUROPEAN CENTRE FOR
CLINICAL RESEARCH TRAINING

JUNIOR CLINICAL RESEARCHER

STAR PROGRAMME

How to start your career in clinical research





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As an experienced professional in clinical research, I know how hard it is to enter this field and how overwhelming it can be to be up-to-date with the latest trends and regulations.

For this reason, we have created the Junior Clinical Researcher STAR Programme that combines the most relevant trainings and internships to help you get ahead in finding a job in clinical research.

With this programme you will be able to evolve quickly and discover the numerous career opportunities that this area has to offer, as well as a very competitive income.

Clinical research is an ever-growing area with many opportunities.

Do you have what it takes to be part of it?

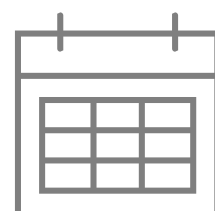
MEET OUR CEO

Obtained a Pharmaceutical Sciences degree in 1991 and finished his PhD in 1997 while working as a quality assurance manager at a laboratory for medical biochemistry & clinical analysis in Ghent.

- Started his career as a CRA
- In 2000 created ECCRT (Managing Director)
- 2008-2011 Vice President Global Operations of the Harrison Clinical Research group.
- 2011-2014 Chief Executive Officer of Harrison Clinical Research
- 2016 Professor at the University of Gent
- 2021 President of BeCRO
- 2023 CEO of Artialis

REASONS TO ATTEND

FLEXIBLE



The Programme is flexible according to your needs and schedule
(for the training sessions and the internships locations and placements)

PERSONALISED



Personalised approach for each participant
(limited number of registrations and intern in the clinical research field you want to grow and according to your location)

PERFECT CV



The Programme gathers everything you need to match the qualifications for clinical research job positions
(knowledge and experience)

BECOME A CLINICAL RESEARCH PROFESSIONAL

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ABOUT

This STAR Programme is a must for anyone wanting to start a career in clinical research as it will grant you the knowledge, skills, competencies and expertise required to become a clinical research professional.

This Programme consists of 2 parts:

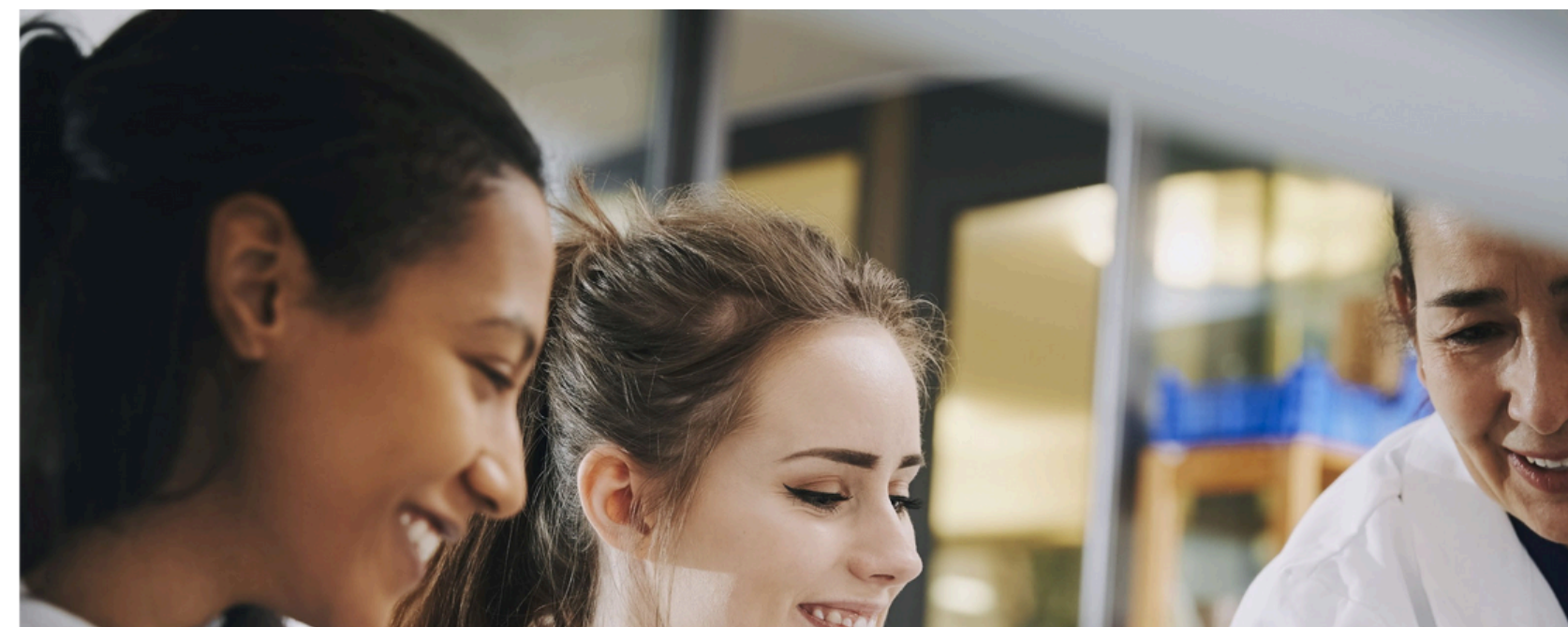
- 1.Theoretical part
- 2.Practical part

1.Theoretical part: Six courses that cover all the rules, guidelines, requirements and knowledge to conduct a clinical study and to become a clinical researcher professional.

2.Practical part: One-year internship to provide you with the experience most employers are looking for in this area. The internships are customised upon your needs, expectations and location and will grant you a clear overview of the career possibilities.



Over
70
students enrolled



100%
of our students found a job
DURING and AFTER



1
Year international internship in
3 different organisations

PROGRAMME AGENDA

eLearning**eLearning****eLearning****Classroom****Classroom****Classroom**

INTRODUCTION TO CLINICAL RESEARCH

This eLearning course will show you how medicines are developed, the difference between pre-clinical and clinical research, the phases of clinical research and the different study types used, and the way to market a product.

BASICS ON REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS IN CLINICAL RESEARCH

This course is designed to provide a basic understanding of the current regulatory requirements for Clinical Trials for people who have limited or no background in these matters.

FOUNDATIONAL ICH-GCP E6 (R3)

This interactive eLearning is crucial for any professional in clinical research. It will provide you with all elements of the International Council on Harmonization Good Clinical Practice (ICH-GCP) guideline E6 (R3), as required by most of the Regulatory Authorities.

ORIENTING YOUR CAREER IN CLINICAL RESEARCH (0.5-day)

This course will give you guidance on what the possible functions are, including what competencies and experience are required and how to approach applying for such positions.

CLINICAL RESEARCH TRAINING FOR JUNIOR CRAs (2-days)

All typical tasks of a Clinical Research Associate (CRA) will become clear to you, from selecting the investigators until study site close-out, with a great focus on the “monitoring practice” and an introduction on the impact of digitalisation.

COMMUNICATION SKILLS (1-day)

This course will reveal all possible problems related to miscommunication. You will get an insight into what is good communication, how you can better transfer messages, and how to improve your communication behaviour.

PRACTICAL PART INTERNSHIPS

The internships will take place in **3 different organisations** to help you have a complete overview of the **clinical trial life-cycle**, from the point of view of all stakeholders involved, as well as to help you know which **environment to pursue your career in the future**:



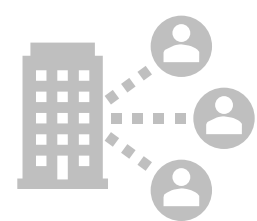
HOSPITAL (2 MONTHS)

Discover how clinical research is conducted in real life, how it affects a patient and what the difference from regular clinical practice is.



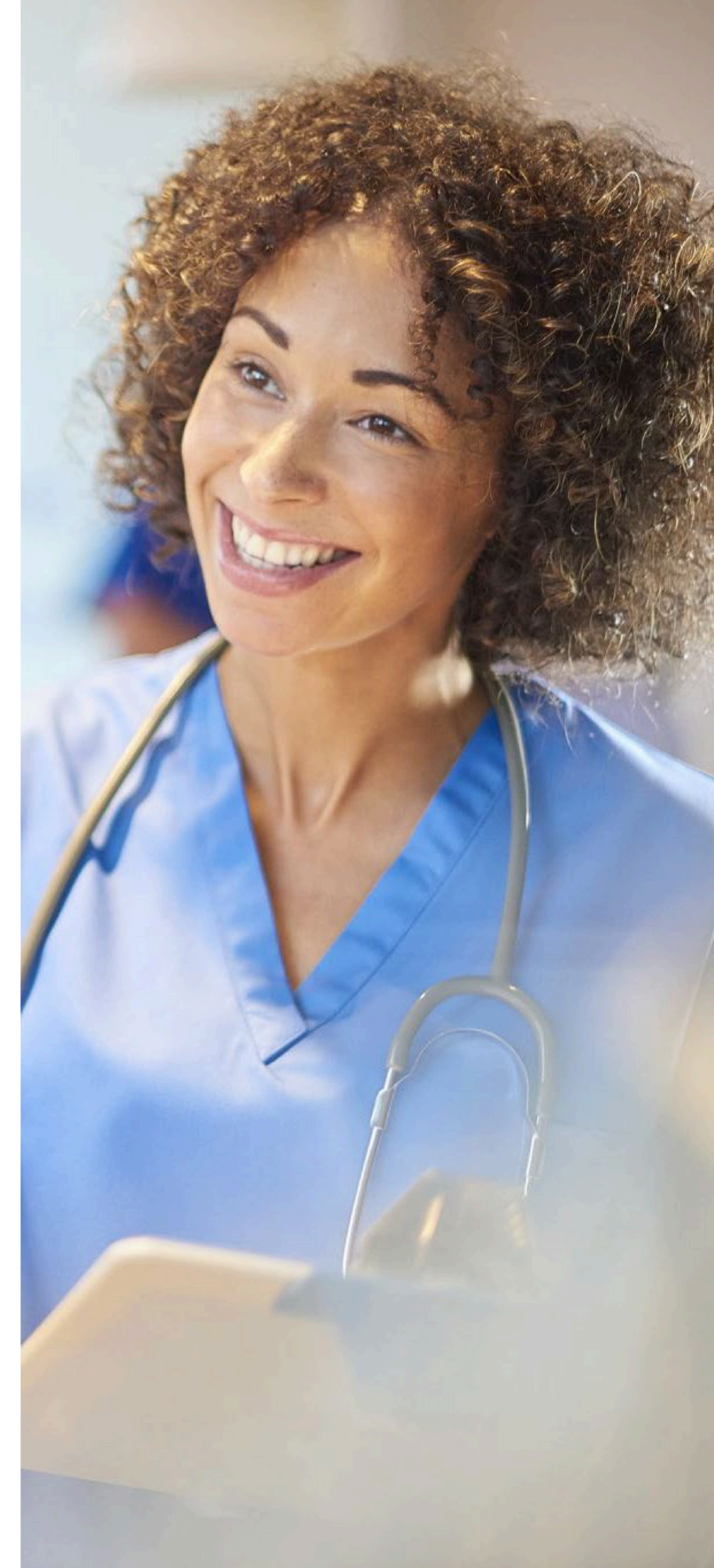
PHARMA COMPANY (6 MONTHS)

Discover how medicines are developed, where clinical research fits in the clinical development and why clinical research is done differently from normal clinical practice.



CONTRACT RESEARCH ORGANISATION (4 MONTHS)

Learn what activities need to be done in order to safeguard patients' rights and well-being and at the same time ensure that the quality of the data obtained in a clinical study is guaranteed.



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Amber de Craemer

Internships at: AZ Sint-Jan Brugge, J&J

Current position: Site Manager / Clinical Research Associate I at IQVIA for J&J

The STAR Programme offered the combination of a week training and the opportunity to gain practical experience in different companies over a longer period, while being closely followed up by a mentor at ECCRT. It was reassuring and motivating to be followed up so closely by someone who genuinely cared about my progress. After completing my second internship, I was offered a position as a Site Manager/CRA. The STAR Programme played a key role in this transition, equipping me with the confidence, practical knowledge, and hands-on experience I needed to grow from a student into a capable junior clinical researcher, ready to launch my career in clinical trials.

Aline Bracke

Internships at: UZ Ghent, J&J

Current position: Clinical Research Associate I at IQVIA

I would recommend this programme because of the comprehensive learning through a combination of theoretical courses and practical internships, but also because of the hands-on experience by working in a real-world clinical research setting! It enhanced my career orientation by gaining insights into all the different opportunities within the industry. It is an excellent launchpad for your career, providing the knowledge, networks, and practical experience needed to excel in the field!

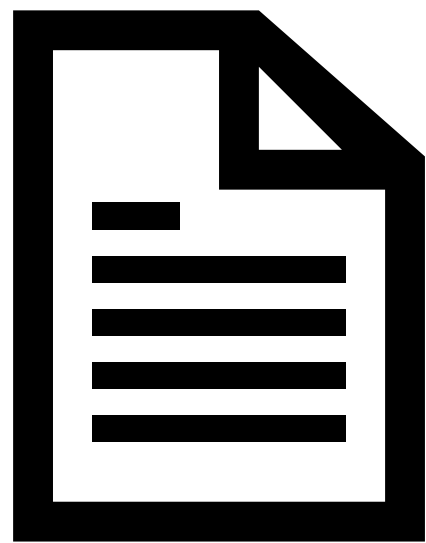
Juliette Deschepper

Internships at: UZ Gent, J&J

Current position: Clinical Research Associate I at IQVIA, for J&J

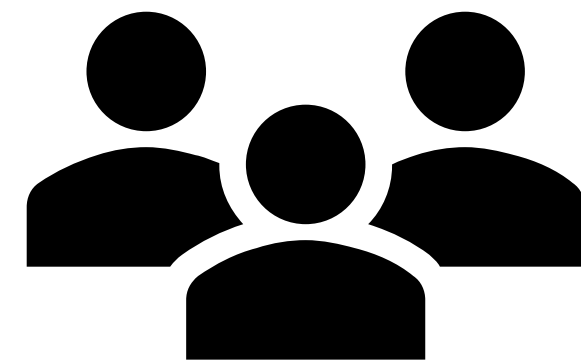
My first internship was, for two months, as a study coordinator at UZ Gent. Here I learned about the role of a study coordinator within clinical research. Then I did an internship at Johnson&Johnson as a site manager, where I learned how clinical studies are monitored at the different sites. During this internship, I also experienced how important monitoring studies is and that there is a lot involved. During both internships we were guided very well and got the perfect picture of the different roles inside clinical research. The STAR Programme is the ideal opportunity to delve deeper into clinical research and learn about major pharmaceutical companies. You will learn about clinical research from different perspectives, giving you the perfect picture of how everything works. The program is perfect for anyone who does not yet know 100% what they want to do next and have an interest in clinical studies. And who knows, maybe the opportunity is there to start as a study coordinator or CRA.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE? APPLICATION PROCESS



APPLICATION

Fill out the **application form** & submit
(*this does not mean you are registered
for the Programme and will have to pay
the Programme's fee*).



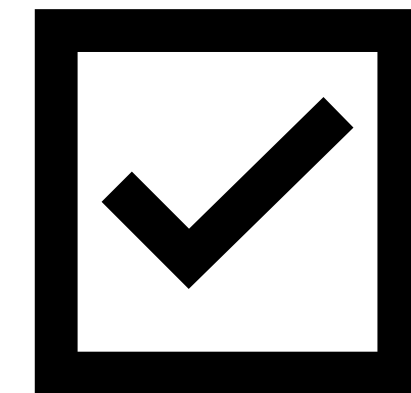
REVIEW

Your application form
(*including CV and motivation
letter*) will be reviewed by
ECCRT and your Mentor.



INTAKE CALL

An intake conversation with
your Mentor will be organised
shortly after the submission of
your application.

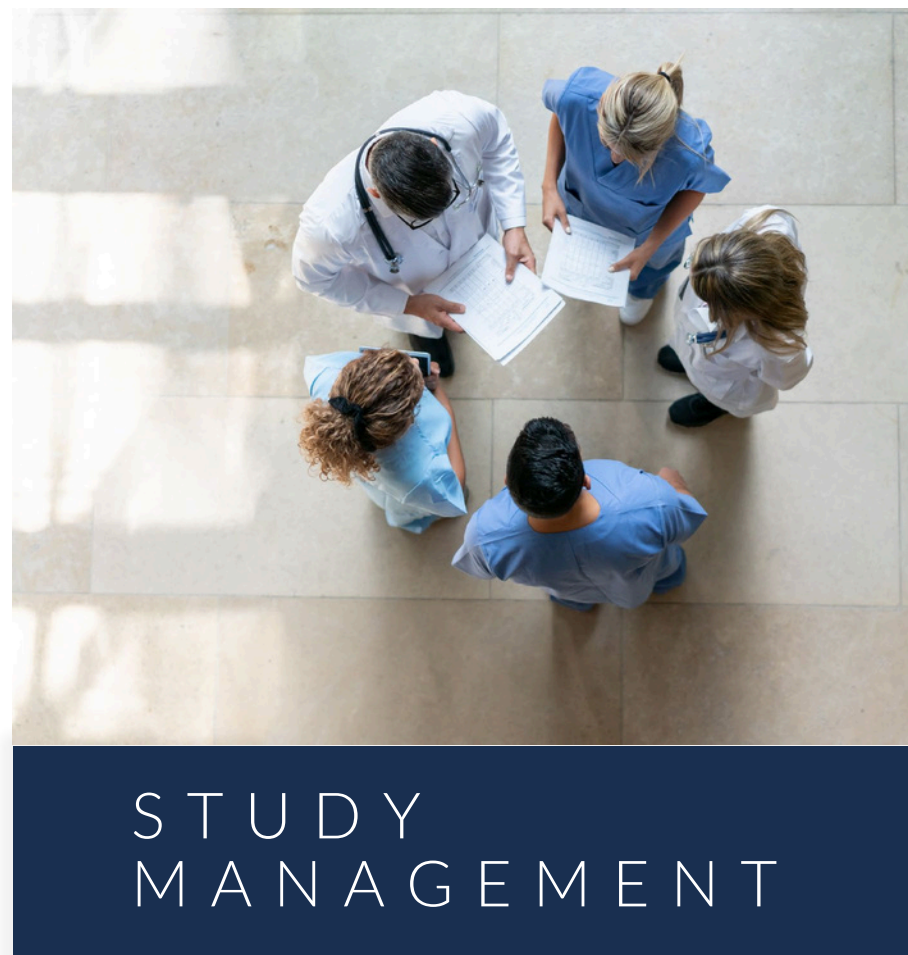


REGISTERED

After the intake call, if accepted, you
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by booking the STAR Programme
session you want to attend.

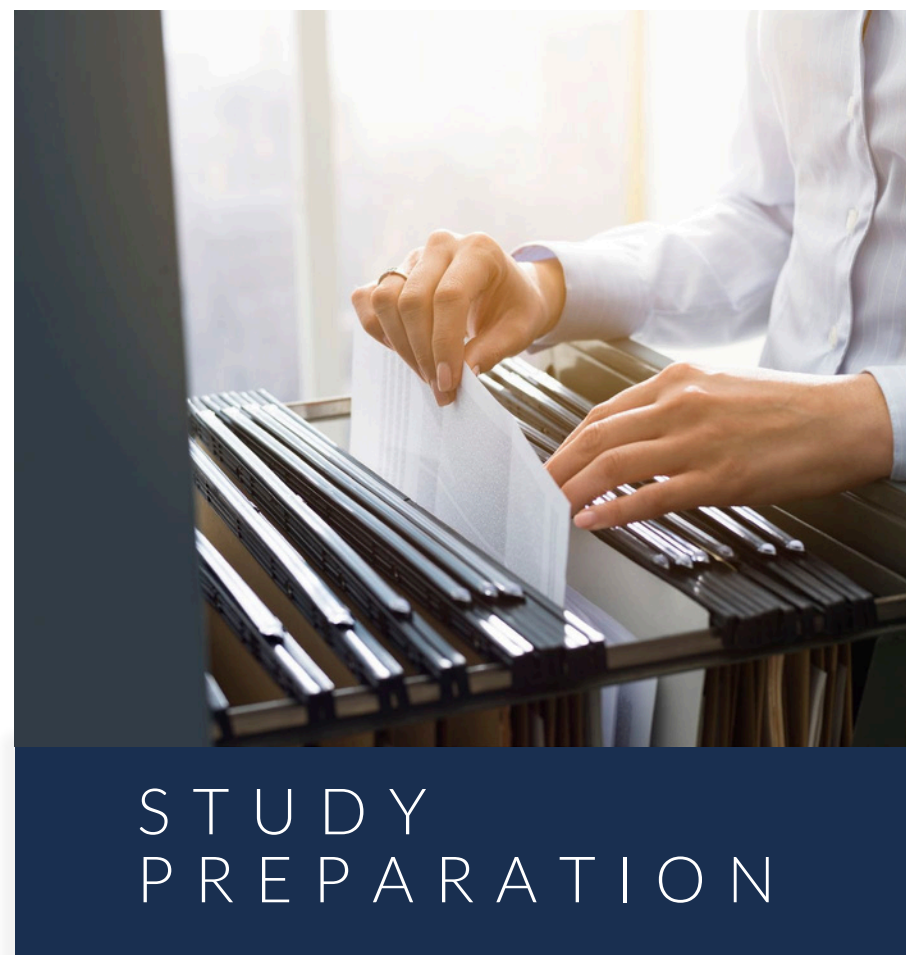


WHAT JOBS CAN I FIND AFTER THE PROGRAMME?



STUDY MANAGEMENT

- Clinical Research Associate (CRA)
- Clinical Trial Assistant (CTA)
- Real World Evidence Associate



STUDY PREPARATION

- Study Start-up Specialist
- Clinical Regulatory affairs Associate



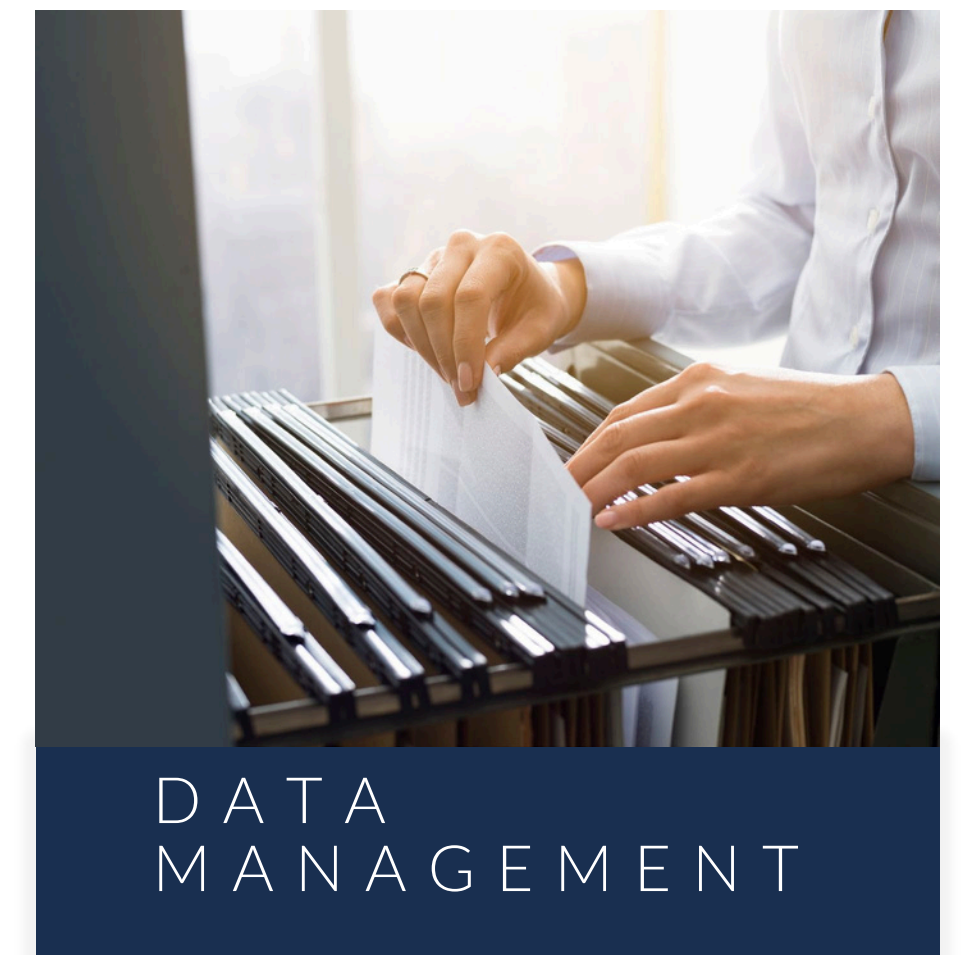
AT HOSPITAL SITE

- Study Coordinator



SAFETY & PHARMACOVIGILANCE

- Drug Safety Officer
- Pharmacovigilance Associate



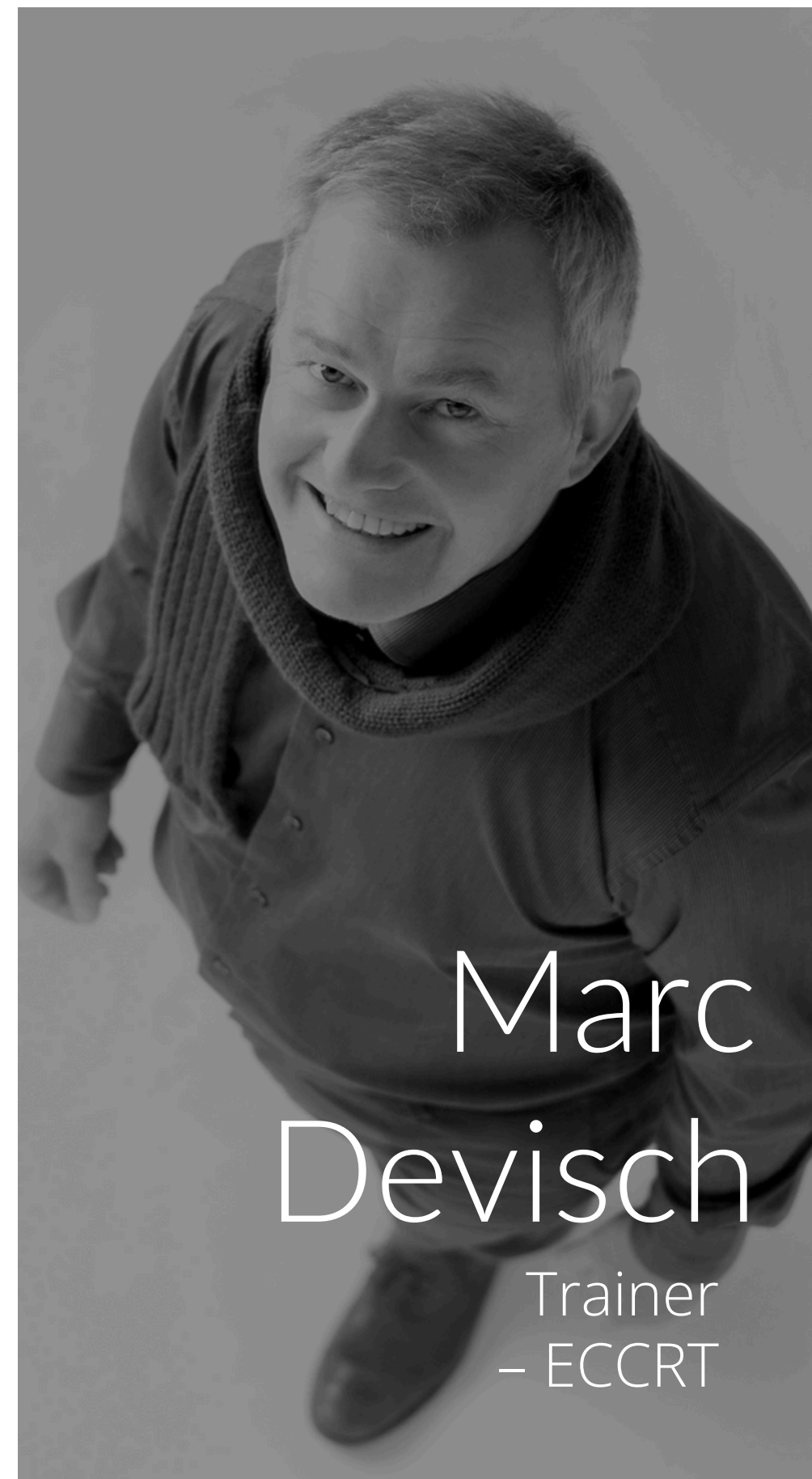
DATA MANAGEMENT

- Data Manager

This will be covered during the STAR Programme



OUR TRAINERS



ABOUT ECCRT

Key player in clinical research training

The European Centre for Clinical Research Training (ECCRT) will help you excel in your competencies and knowledge to start and advance your career in clinical research and other related fields.

- ▶ OPEN COURSES
- ▶ STAR PROGRAMMES
- ▶ CAREER COACHING

AND MANY OTHER SERVICES...



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