



SENIOR RESEARCH SCIENTIST: MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY (Payclass 09; 3- Year Contract) **DRUG DISCOVERY AND DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (H3D)** **FACULTY OF SCIENCE**

The Drug Discovery and Development Centre (H3D) is an interdisciplinary, soft-funded research unit at the University of Cape Town engaged in the discovery of preclinical drug candidates for treating malaria, tuberculosis, and drug-resistant infections caused by Gram-negative bacteria. H3D staff and laboratories are situated across two sites on the UCT campus. H3D is seeking to appoint a Senior Research Scientist with expertise in synthetic organic chemistry and/or medicinal chemistry on a 3-year contract, starting on 15 April 2025 or as soon as possible thereafter. This position will be predominantly laboratory-based, with the main purpose to synthesize potential antiplasmodials in an H3D malaria drug discovery project. The position will interact with senior chemists who will provide mentorship and growth opportunities as well as exposure to multi-disciplinary discussions and meetings in a drug discovery environment.

For detailed information on this post, please view the job description on the following link: ([view](#))

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Closing date: 18 April 2025

Reference:

ID 1014

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