

Position Description: Staff Accountant

Aratana Therapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq: PETX) is a pet therapeutics company focused on developing and commercializing innovative therapeutics for cats and dogs. Aratana, which is headquartered in the greater Kansas City area, is focused on delivering safe and effective therapeutics that elevate the standard of care in veterinary medicine. Our goal is to provide veterinarians and pet owners with new therapeutics that are driven by science and specifically made for pets.

We currently have three FDA-approved and commercially available therapeutics:

- A ghrelin receptor agonist that mimics the naturally-occurring “hunger hormone” to stimulate appetite in dogs
- A long-acting, local anesthetic that provides up to 72 hours post-operative pain relief
- A prostaglandin receptor antagonist, non-COX inhibiting NSAID that specifically targets the EP4 receptor to target osteoarthritis pain and inflammation in dogs

In addition, Aratana has a pipeline of other therapeutic candidates and continues to seek and review therapeutic opportunities.

Aratana has an opening for a Staff Accountant. This is a full-time position and will be based at the Aratana Therapeutics headquarters located in Leawood, Kansas.

Responsibilities

Responsibilities and duties will be varied and will include:

- General Ledger: participate in various aspects of the general ledger close process including the preparation of journal entries such as month-end accruals and amortization of prepaid expenses, prepare account reconciliations, maintain fixed assets records and post depreciation expense
- Bank Reconciliations: perform daily/monthly bank reconciliations in SAP
- Accounts Receivable: assist Accounts Receivable clerk with payment processing and other A/R related items
- Accounts Payable: assist the accounts payable clerk with related A/P items
- Other duties as assigned

Skills and Key Competencies

- BS/BA in Accounting is required
- Minimum 2 years' experience in the preparation and maintenance of financial records is required
- GL experience is strongly preferred
- Working knowledge of SAP is highly preferred
- Strong MS Excel, Word and Outlook skills required
- Ability to flourish in a dynamic, high growth environment
- Detail-oriented with ability to manage projects from inception through execution
- Excellent communication skills, both verbal and written
- Ability to meet communicated deadlines
- Ability to multi-task
- Strong analytical skills
- Highly detail oriented and well organized

Compensation will be determined based on industry benchmarks and individualized to the candidate and will include base salary and participation in the annual bonus program. Full benefits package provided.

Aratana is an equal opportunity employer and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.