

# External Operations Associate Manager

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REQ-10009542  
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Austria

## Summary

About the role:

The External Operation Associate Manager (EOAM) manages all external activities related to clinical supply (packaging, labeling and distribution) and acts as the main business partner interface with external vendors and ensures operational excellence within the network of Contract Manufacturing Organizations (CMOs), delivering high productivity, quality and cost efficiency. The EOM will have a Global role in setting up operations responsible for planning, execution and distribution activities performed at external Vendors. The Development Team is guided by our purpose: to reimagine medicine to improve and extend people's lives. To do this, we are optimizing and strengthening our processes and ways of working. We are investing in new technologies and building specific therapeutic area and platform depth and capabilities – all to bring our medicines to patients even faster. Our world-class Global Clinical Supply Organization is able to deliver the right drug to the right patient at the right time. We collaborate with other Novartis groups to support clinical trials around the world to meet the needs of our patients. We are seeking key talent, like you, to join us and help give people with disease and their families a brighter future to look forward to.

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## About the Role

### Key Responsibilities:

- Acts as the key business partner for operational interactions with the Vendors. Reviews the vendor capacity, resource planning and distribution tracker and verifies this with the study requirements to ensure the study timelines and specifications are met.
- Manages deviations occurring at external vendors and escalates high level issues/bottlenecks to the relevant internal GCS stakeholders and external partners and other compliance related tasks involved with maintaining qualification status of the vendor
- Liaises with Comparator Sourcing Supply Lead and internal GCS study team (with Clinical Trial Supply Manager and Comparator Sourcing Supply Lead) on a regular basis to create orders based on the project specific requirements.  
and ensures operational responsiveness to study dynamics.
- Oversees all packaging, labelling and distribution activities executed by vendors and ensures agreed milestones and cost are met and Coordinates logistic documents for facilitating import requirements
- Participates or supports external inspections and audits together with Technical Research & Development (TRD) QA (and Good Clinical Practice (GCP) QA where applicable) to assess packaging contractor capabilities.

### Essential Requirements:

- Degree in engineering or equivalent.
- 3rd Party Vendor Management experience.
- Apprenticeship or formal education in a logistical, technical, or related business area
- Basic project management, good organization, and planning skills
- Knowledge of Health, Safety & Environment/ Good Manufacturing Practices (HSE/GMP) standards and processes
- Problem-solving, Good presentation, Fundamental Leadership, and idea generation skills

**Desirable Requirements:**

- Degree in Science

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Site

Schaftenau

Company / Legal Entity

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Functional Area

Research & Development

Job Type

Full time

Employment Type

Regular

Shift Work

No

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