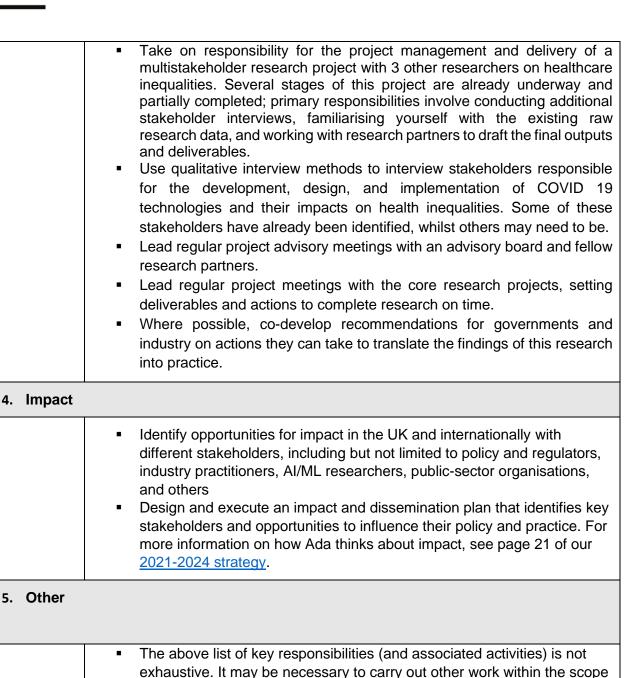


JOB DESCRIPTION				
Job title	Senior Researcher – Health and COVID Technologies	Department	Ada Lovelace Institute	
Job holder		Reports to	Associate Director, Research Partnerships	
Job type	Fixed term, 18 months (maternity cover)	Date created/ame nded	April 2022	
Job aim	The Ada Lovelace Institute (Ada) is hiring a Senior Researcher to provide maternity leave cover for our Health & COVID Technologies programme. This role will provide managerial oversight over two other programmatic projects on genomics and COVID technologies, strategic leadership of our Health & COVID programme, and deliver a project on health inequalities in partnership with the Health Foundation.			
Key responsibilities: Including but not limited to				
People management and stewardship of Health & COVID 19 Technologies programme and research staff				
 Holding regular programme meetings with other researchers to ensure the Health & COVID 19 Tech programme stays on track Identify new strategic opportunities for the Health & COVID technologies programme to have impact Providing line management support, including regular 1:1 meetings, with two research staff Providing feedback and guidance on research design and management for two research staff 				
2. Writing and communications on Health Inequalities project				
 Collaborating with other project partners to feed into their research findings and produce project outputs based on emerging evidence. Drafting and editing of research outputs, blogs, media comments and other resources. Coordinating with Ada's communications and policy teams, along with those of other research partner organisations, to coordinate communication outputs and policy influencing strategies. With support from colleagues, to undertake occasional public speaking and drafting of media comments. 				
3. Research analysis and management on Health Inequalities project				



5. Other

researchers



of the role, as reasonably requested, including supporting other



Person specification	Essential (E), Highly Desirable (HD) or Desirable (D)			
Experience				
Experience with social research techniques (whether through experience or academic training), and excellent editorial, synthesis and analysis skills	Е			
Experience with people and programme management	Е			
Experience working in a public, academic or industry environment, such as international organisations, government agencies, think tanks or learned societies; or experience in tech companies or consultancies	Е			
Experience of writing on complex topics for different audiences	D			
Experience in managing research collaborations involving multiple stakeholders	Е			
Experience with research planning and coordination	Е			
Knowledge and Skills				
Ability to lead and execute a multidisciplinary research project with high impact	Е			
Demonstratable experience and knowledge of issues of health inequalities and data/Al technologies	Е			
Ability to work with a diverse range of stakeholders	Е			
Excellent project management skills and ability to drive projects to completion	Е			
Personal Qualities				
A commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion	Е			
Flexible and creative, able to think outside the box	Е			
A collaborative approach to research and thinking	Е			
Ability to work with some level of autonomy and 'manage up' by working independently and in close communication with other team members	Е			



A day in the life of an Ada researcher

You will start your day whenever you like – most of the team are online by 9.30am, but some prefer to start early and finish early, or have a later day. We do not believe in strict adherence to working hours and prioritise productivity over clock-watching. We generally start the day by checking in on Microsoft Teams and letting our colleagues know what the day ahead holds.

Every day will be different, and you will probably spend about half of your day in meetings or on calls – doing outreach and sharing information with stakeholders such as DCMS, peer organisations like Algorithm Watch, or academics and researchers; coordinating external consultants, commissioned researchers or working groups; interviewing data scientists or policy people for research, or speaking to the occasional journalist.

You will find team updates and chats on our Teams Channels, and meeting notes and how-to guides in our Notion page. Depending on the day, you might join a team-wide meeting to hear project updates or discuss organisational policies. Also depending on the day, you might have a regular 1:1 meeting with your manager to check in on your wellbeing, raise any challenges or obstacles with your project, and discuss career advancement and growth opportunities. You'll have regular interactions with our Comms team, keeping them abreast of work underway, collaborating on influencing strategy for a forthcoming output, or working together on an output.

The other half of your day you'll spend reading and writing. It might be that you're undertaking indepth research on a topic, co-facilitating a public deliberation on acceptable use of data, editing a draft, or undertaking some responsive commentary. You might have projects that are highly outward-facing, convening experts around project, or you might have a week offline to write a report. You'll spend some time reading recent news articles, dipping into Twitter and catching up on important policy literature and commentary in our field.

You might wrap up the day by doing some thinking about new initiatives Ada should engage with, new projects Ada should conceive, or some writing based on your findings that week.