



Senior Accountant

*Akouos is building the leading gene therapy company focused on hearing disorders. Our objectives are to **restore** the inner ear's ability to produce functional proteins required for hearing, **rejuvenate** structures of the hearing circuit critical for high-fidelity signal transduction and inner ear homeostasis, and **reinforce** healthy hearing with local, enduring protein production to protect against drug-, noise-, and age- associated ototoxicity.*

Ensuring delivery to the right cells, in the right amounts, and at the right time is central to our ability to restore and preserve hearing. Recombinant adeno-associated viruses (AAVs) can be harnessed as powerful vectors that are capable of safely and efficiently delivering therapeutic nucleic acids to the nuclei of target cells. Akouos' initial focus is on delivery of AAV gene therapies to treat hearing loss in genetically-defined patient populations.

Akouos launched in 2017 with backing from 5AM Ventures, New Enterprise Associates, and Partners Innovation Fund.

Akouos was featured in Biospace as the top 20 life science startups company to watch in 2019. <https://www.biospace.com/article/1-top-20-life-science-startups-to-watch-in-2019/?keywords=akouos>

The Senior Accountant will be an integral member of the Finance team and will assist in managing all aspects of the Company's financial processes and will play a key role in managing the accounting close process.

Responsibilities:

- Responsible for preparing monthly general ledger journal entries including payroll, depreciation, accruals, prepaid expenses, reclassifications, and other standard entries
- Maintain all balance sheet reconciliations including cash and fixed assets
- Oversee outsourced accounts payable and cash disbursements; interface with vendors as needed
- Play a key role in the quarterly and year end close process
- Prepare annual audit schedules with support and interface with auditors
- Maintain and monitor internal controls to ensure compliance
- Maintain W-9's for all vendors and issue 1099's annually
- Process bimonthly payroll, including employee maintenance, supporting various requests from Human Resources
- Assist and own tasks related to the implementation of processes relating to the implementation of a financial system
- Assist with special projects as needed

Requirements:

- Minimum 5+ years of accounting experience in all aspects of the close process
- Solid understanding of US GAAP, internal controls, close and reporting processes
- Team player with strong interpersonal, verbal and written communication skills
- Ability to work collaboratively across functional teams
- Experience in process improvements
- Attention to detail and accuracy

Qualified applicants should submit their resume to careers@akouos.com.

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