

- The NCCR RNA and Disease is a research network in Switzerland focused on RNA and disease research.
- The NCCR is funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation and aims to promote long-term research in strategic areas.
- The network consists of over 40 member and associate member groups across Switzerland.
- The tasks of the scientific officer include coordinating the network, scientific administration, and fulfilling the mandates set by the Swiss National Science Foundation.
- The mandates include activities in communication, education, equal opportunities, and knowledge and technology transfer.
- Recent activities of the NCCR RNA and Disease include launching a pre-doc program, participating in the Zurich Science Days, and publishing a newsletter.
- The scientific officer's background in RNA biology and academic research process is important for their role, and they also utilize transferable skills acquired during their master's and PhD studies.
- The opportunity to become a scientific officer was unexpected but the versatility of tasks and interactions in the role is fascinating.