

- The NCCR RNA and Disease is a research network supported by the Swiss National Science Foundation, the University of Bern, and ETH Zurich.
- The network consists of over 40 member and associate member groups all over Switzerland.
- The role of a scientific officer in the NCCR includes coordinating the network, scientific administration, and being involved in communication, education, equal opportunities, and knowledge and technology transfer.
- Recent activities of the NCCR include launching a pre-doc program, participating in the Zurich Science Days, publishing a newsletter, and organizing events such as review panel visits and workshops.
- The scientific officer's background in RNA biology and knowledge of the academic research process are valuable in their role.
- Becoming an NCCR scientific officer was an unexpected opportunity for the speaker, but they find the versatility of tasks and connections to academic research fascinating.