

The Company

GyreOx Ltd is a young and vibrant company with headquarters on the Harwell Research Campus in Oxfordshire, UK. The Company has developed a proprietary combined chemistry and synthetic biology technology for the creation of highly modified macrocyclic peptides, which have the potential to address complex intracellular targets in a range of diseases of significant unmet clinical need. We expect to see significant growth through a combination of drug discovery alliances with pharmaceutical partners and the development of in-house programmes. As we expand, we will recruit a plethora of exceptional talent to help us further extend our drug development and marketing capabilities. GyreOx intends to bring new drug candidates into human clinical trials.

GyreOx is currently recruiting a motivated and ambitious scientist for a newly created position at the Company's laboratories. The position is available immediately. This is an exciting opportunity for a talented individual to become part of a small and dynamic team, where their drive and ambition can make a significant contribution to influence the direction and success of the Company's activities.

The Role

A PhD-level scientist is sought to work on the Company's automated platform and new drug development programmes. This will be predominantly laboratory-based in the first instance, but represents the potential for a future leadership role within the Company, through developing an understanding of the commercial aspects of the Company's business.

The position would suit a synthetic chemist with considerable analytical experience or an analytical chemist with a knowledge of synthesis. In this position, your responsibilities will include: the synthesis and purification of libraries of linear and cyclic peptide-based compounds, using both automated peptide synthesisers and manual procedures; cleavage of peptides from resin supports; analysis by HPLC and mass spectrometry; and, modifications of peptides by enzymatic biotransformation. You will be responsible for planning and undertaking analysis, purification, isolation and characterisation of our linear and cyclic compounds, and will need to be able to collaborate effectively with other colleagues as part of a team.

The Requirements

You must be eligible to work in the UK.

Experience with LC and LC-MS is essential, along with the ability to trouble shoot and perform routine maintenance of HPLC equipment.

A PhD in an appropriate chemical or biochemical subject would be expected, but consideration will be given to applicants who have acquired the necessary experience within industry, particularly within drug discovery, or have relevant experience in academia/industry.

Previous experience in the pharmaceutical industry, and of the routine testing and analysis of peptide-based compounds using HPLC, LC-MS, and LC-MS/MS are desirable.

Knowledge of the synthesis, purification, analysis and development of peptides and macrocycles would be advantageous, but not essential.

Key additional attributes include:

- leading key projects to a successful conclusion;
- demonstrating the ability to communicate clearly, with good presentation and report writing skills;

- a hard-working attitude, a balanced and meticulous approach to work and the ability to work well under pressure;
- to be adaptable and a team player, demonstrating effective collaboration with colleagues.

Location

GyreOx is located on the Harwell Campus in Oxfordshire, UK - a leading European science and innovation campus, specifically planned as a place where professionals from around the world will choose to come and work, with amenities including nurseries, sports facilities, cafés, post office, mini supermarket, weekly pop up food stalls and attractive public spaces. See more at <https://www.harwellcampus.com/life-on-campus/>

Making an Application

This is an excellent opportunity to join a fast-growing and ambitious organisation with a very exciting and busy future. Salary will range from £38,000 - £46,000 per year depending on experience and on completion of the probationary period. We can offer a varied and interesting working environment and we are focused on recognition and empowerment of our scientists and operational team. The Company has set up a share option scheme so that an employee's contribution to success can be rewarded. There are also superb training and career development opportunities within the Company if your ability is proven. Relocation packages are not being offered. This position is available immediately. Further details on GyreOx and all of our vacancies are available at the Company's website at <https://www.gyreox.com> . To apply, please send a CV and covering letter (stating your current salary, the names of two referees, and referencing 'GT-2020-3') to careers@gyreox.com by 25th September 2020. Interviews will take place as soon as possible thereafter.

We will handle your application and the information that you provide according to the Job Data Privacy guidelines presented on our website.

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