

A man and a woman, both wearing white lab coats over collared shirts, are smiling and standing in a laboratory setting. The man is on the left, and the woman is on the right. The background is a blurred laboratory with various pieces of equipment and shelves.

Working in a Biosciences Company

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About me....



The University of Manchester

Graduated 2006

Biochemistry with medicinal biochemistry BSc (Hons)



Joined in 2006

Research assistant – Ligand discovery



- Established in 1987 as Affinity Chromatography Ltd, and joined ProMetic Life Sciences in 1999
- Over 50 R&D and manufacturing employees with over 220 employs in the ProMetic group as a whole
- Supplier of innovative bio-chromatography products and services to the global biopharmaceutical industry
- Protein purification
- Contaminant removal
- Pathogen reduction
- Custom adsorbent development
- Downstream process development



What do we do?

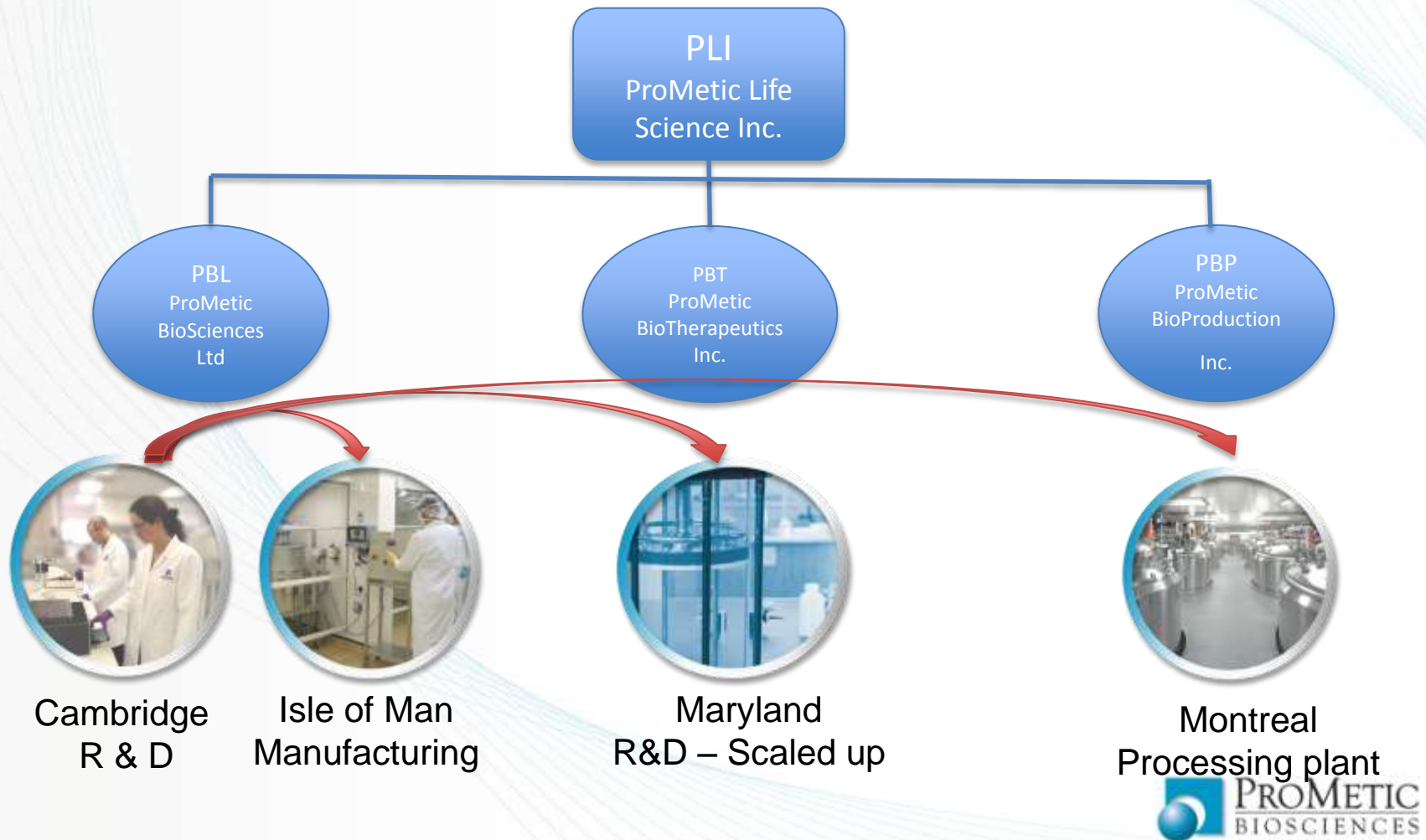
biochemistry, organic chemistry, structural activity relationship, computational chemistry, analytical chemistry



PROJECT START



Role within the ProMetic group



ProMetic BioSciences Ltd

What is it like?

- Variety of opportunities
- Fast paced, demanding work and tight deadlines – service provider
- Professional, but relaxed environment
- Visibility within the company
- Training opportunities
- Flexible working hours
- Opportunity to travel
- Opportunities to publish/present at scientific meetings
- Work closely with customers and end users

Personal Experience

- **You** make the opportunities
 - 2006 – 2009 – Research assistant – ligand discovery
 - 2009 – 2014 – Research assistant - Downstream Processing (DSP)
 - 2014 – 2015 – Research Scientist DSP
 - 2015 – DSP Project management



Furthering your career

- Be proactive – personal development plan, make opportunities for yourself
- Take advantages of the opportunities offered to you
- Develop transferrable skills – project management; people management etc.
- Develop an understanding of the industry you're working in
- Be realistic
- Work-life balance