

A man and a woman in white lab coats are standing in a laboratory. The man is on the left, and the woman is on the right. They are both smiling. The background is a bright, out-of-focus laboratory with windows and equipment. There are decorative blue wavy lines in the upper right corner of the image.

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 70 R&D and manufacturing employees across 2 UK sites (>300 employees globally).
- 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

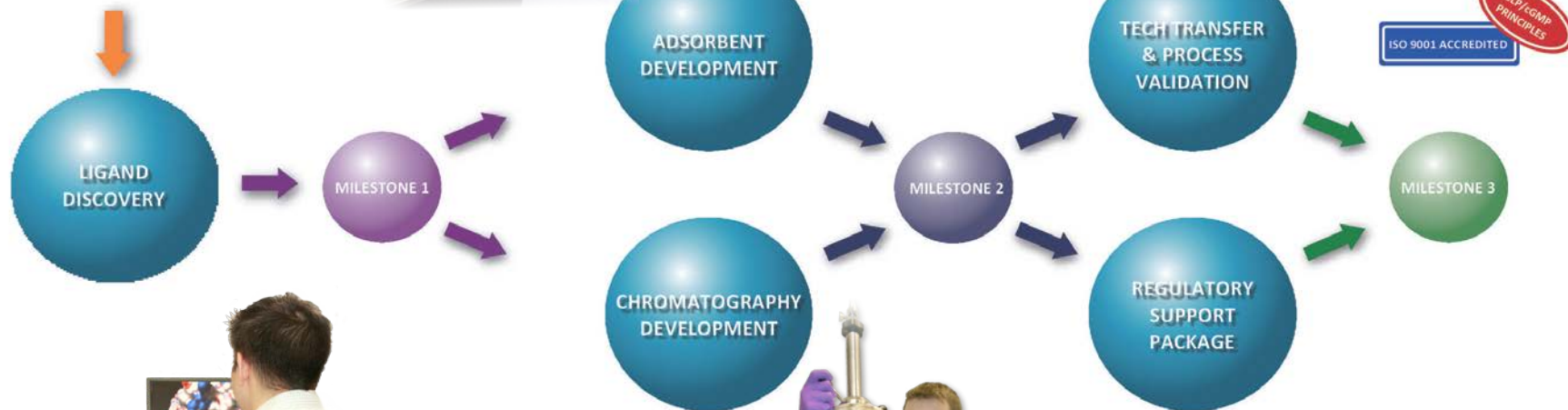


What do we do?

biochemistry, organic chemistry,
computational chemistry, analytical
chemistry, downstream processing



PROJECT START



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