

## Job Description

<b>Role</b>	Analytical Team Leader
<b>Location</b>	Alderley Park, Cheshire, England
<b>Job Type</b>	Permanent
<b>Salary</b>	£55,000-£80,000
<b>Date posted</b>	28th January 2021
<b>Start date</b>	Negotiable - Q2/Q3 2021

### The Company

Sai Life Sciences is an expanding Contract Research & Development and Manufacturing Organisation (CDMO) working with 7 of the top 10 pharma companies globally, as well as many leading smaller biotechs. We work with our clients to accelerate the discovery, development and manufacture of complex small molecules for a healthier tomorrow. With more than 2000 staff globally and ambitious growth plans, our vision is to support our global innovator partners to bring 25 new medicines to life by 2025.

Marking the completion of 20 years since inception in 2019, the company began an organisation-wide initiative to significantly expand and upgrade its R&D and manufacturing facilities, deepen scientific & technological capabilities, strengthen automation and data systems, and above all raise the bar for safety, quality and customer focus. Guided by the insights and feedback from its customers, it committed to investing over US\$150M between 2019 and 2023. Part of this investment in 2020 were the new state of the art laboratories in our centre of excellence for process chemistry and analytical development at the Alderley Park Biotech & Life Science Cluster, where we are now looking to significantly expand both staff numbers and capabilities. Our team currently consists of 24 multi-disciplinary scientists (chemists, analysts and engineers).

Non-GMP manufacture of kg quantities of intermediates and APIs is currently possible within our bespoke Scale-up laboratory facility. During 2021 a new GMP Kilo-lab facility will be created capable of multi-kg quantities of GMP API suitable for early phase clinical studies. The developed processes may then be transferred to Sai's manufacturing sites in India for further scale-up as required.

This is a great opportunity to work with an expanding global organisation and work closely with some of the most innovative biotech and pharma companies on their most important programmes.

### The Role

We are looking for an experienced Scientific Leader who is seeking a new challenge to lead a team of analytical chemists.

- You will join a team that identifies, develops and optimises synthetic routes to APIs, supporting both early and late phase development.
- The successful candidates will have a background in Analytical Chemistry combined with demonstrated expertise in HPLC and experience of other analytical methodologies utilized to characterise APIs, intermediates and raw materials.
- The successful candidate will have experience in leading analytical activities supporting project teams to ensure high quality delivery against project timelines.

- The successful candidate will have experience in line management of a small team of people with a track record of personal development of the members of the team.
- Experience in contracting analytical testing with third parties and leading communications with customers would also be advantageous.
- The candidate is expected to support chemistry projects, develop, validate and carry out technical transfer of analytical methods and provide analytical expert advice to Process Chemistry colleagues

### **Essential Requirements**

- Higher or bachelor's degree in chemistry or related scientific discipline with relevant experience in Analytical Project and Team Leadership.
- Experienced in regulatory requirements for the development and validation of methods supporting the release of API into toxicological and clinical studies.
- In-depth, hands-on expertise and up-to-date knowledge of analytical methodologies supporting the clinical development of APIs.
- A demonstrated ability to manage several projects in different stages of development at the same time and to lead and drive the scientific output of those projects.
- Strong scientific track record with both project and line leadership experience.
- Experience in working to GMP requirements.

### **Key Roles and Responsibilities**

- To be part of the analytical departmental leadership team and contribute to departmental objective setting and continuous improvement.
- Line management and personal development responsibility for a small team of analysts.
- Responsible for the scientific output of the analytical team and their contribution to customer projects.
- Act as the key interface between the Sai team and the customer on analytical aspects of projects.

### **Key attributes**

- Excellent communication; both verbal and written.
- Ability to build global relationships with colleagues in India.
- A team player and proven leader.
- Conscientious with a can-do attitude and good attention to detail.
- Good project management and supervisory skills.

### **The Offer**

- A competitive Salary and Benefits package including company pension, health and life insurance, 25 days holiday per year and enhanced family leave.
- Work in a state-of-the-art facility on one of the country's leading Biotech & Life Science Parks.
- Flexible working hours and conditions to suit the right candidate.

### **Next steps**

Please send your CV and cover letter to [recruitmentuk@sailife.com](mailto:recruitmentuk@sailife.com) with details of the role that you are applying for.

As an Equal Opportunities employer, we welcome applications from all suitably qualified persons regardless of their race, sex, disability, religion/belief, sexual orientation or age.

Please note that Sai Life Sciences Ltd is unable to sponsor the visas for any candidates for the above role.