



## **Edinburgh Pharmaceutical Processes Ltd (EPP) - Current Vacancy**

### **Analytical Chemist/ Trainee Study Director – GLP**

The position involves laboratory-based conduct of GLP compliant analytical studies carried out on a diverse range of active ingredients and derived formulated products in support of our clients' business aims in the agrochemical, veterinary and human pharmaceutical, and industrial fine chemical markets in the UK, continental Europe and elsewhere (e.g., US, Canada, China, India, Brazil).

Your work will involve GLP compliant analysis of technical grade active ingredients (5-Batch Analysis studies) and derived formulated products (including storage stability studies) to determine active ingredient content, specified impurity levels, solvent and water content, inorganic content etc.) using standard analytical techniques such as HPLC, GC, IC, KF, IR and UV.

In addition, EPP conduct GLP compliant physico-chemical testing studies such as water solubility, partition coefficient, melting point, etc. and any experience in this field would be beneficial.

EPP's laboratories are well equipped with a full range of equipment and instrumentation for the conduct of GLP compliant analytical work. For example, our GLP suite of instrumentation includes a benchtop 60 MHz NMR spectrometer, several Thermo LC-MS and GC-MS systems, numerous Agilent HPLCs equipped with DAD detectors, Thermo IC equipped with conductivity detector, Agilent GC with FID detector, and modern Shimadzu FT-IR and UV spectrometers / spectrophotometers.

Your main place of work will be at EPP's main facility, the EPP Environmental Centre, which is a very attractive privately-owned GLP compliant research facility comprising 1,000 square meters of laboratories and associated offices on Bush Estate within Midlothian Science Zone.

#### ***The primary responsibilities of the position include the following activities:***

- Act as the principal analyst on GLP studies ensuring that all raw data generated is fully documented and recorded in a prompt, accurate, legible, and permanent manner.
- Ensure that Study Plans, Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and methods of analysis are followed in accordance with the principles of GLP.
- Responsible for the timely communication of study data and reports to supervisor including immediately reporting any deviations to Study Plans, SOPs, or methods of analysis.
- Act as the responsible person, as defined by SOPs, maintaining the function, qualification, calibration and supporting records for assigned analytical instrumentation and equipment.
- General house-keeping duties including maintenance of adequate stocks of reagents and other laboratory consumables.
- Maintenance of a culture of team working personal development and continuous improvement in accord with Company Values.

***Skills / experience required or desirable for the position:***

- A degree (or equivalent) in chemistry is required; an honours degree (or equivalent) in chemistry with a significant element of practical analytical chemistry, or a higher degree in analytical chemistry would be advantageous.
- In-depth knowledge of theoretical and practical analytical chemistry such as a basic wet chemistry analytical techniques (e.g. titration, density measurement, pH, water content by Karl-Fisher) and more advanced chromatographic / spectroscopic techniques (e.g. HPLC, GC, IC, KF, IR, UV, LC-MS and GC-MS), specifically concerning the interpretation and reporting of data from such techniques, is desirable but full training will be given. .
- A good level of problem-solving skills and ability to complete work within tight client delivery deadlines is desirable.
- A high level of verbal and written communication and interpersonal skills, and organizational and time management skills is desirable.
- The ability to assess risk in a laboratory setting, operate in a practical and safe manner in order to achieve experimental output in accord with commercial reality is desirable.
- The ability to work efficiently and effectively independently, or as part of a small team (such as within the culture of our company), without deviation from agreed SOPs is desirable.
- Relevant analytical experience, including management of other laboratory personnel, in a CRO or a small industrial R&D setting is desirable.

***Salary:*** An attractive salary, negotiable and dependent on the level of demonstrated core skills, abilities, competences, and relevant experience is on offer.

Flexible working; core hours Monday to Thursday 10am to 3pm and 10am to 2pm on Friday. A minimum of 30-days paid annual leave. Staff Pension available.

EPP is an equal opportunities employer and welcomes applications from all sections of the community.

Applicants must apply by including a comprehensive CV and covering letter in Word or PDF format which fully indicates the applicant's suitability for the position. Details of current salary, salary expectations, and indication of availability for work (e.g., minimum notice period if currently in employment), together with contact details of two referees, are to be provided in the application for the position.

Referees will only be contacted after any conditional job offer is accepted.

No agency applications please.

**Applications to be sent to: Sharon McCluskie, Admin Manager**  
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