



Sr. Scientist I- Drug Delivery

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Description:

Under general supervision, the incumbent will be responsible for developing drug delivery devices and conducting relevant in vitro testing, where appropriate. This person will be expected to conduct all research studies in a manner consistent with ISO and GLP standards. The successful candidate will have experience in materials science, chemistry and formulation as well as drug delivery technology and will be able to apply the experience and knowledge innovatively, in order to develop commercially suitable drug delivery devices.

Job Responsibilities:

- Plan and conduct experiments to design and develop novel drug delivery devices/systems
- Obtain, organize, and document study-related materials and information (e.g., biodegradable materials, excipients, manufacturing equipment, etc.).
- Prepare numerous drug delivery devices using a multiplicity of biodegradable/bioerodible/non-degradable materials and excipients.
- Perform in vitro evaluation of the devices and determine if they meet the study objective.
- Develop manufacturing processes for drug delivery devices
- Evaluate various sterilization methods to assure that drug delivery is not impacted.
- Coordinate studies in other functions (Toxicology, PK, Microbiology, Process Development, etc.) in order to assure that select devices are evaluated and are suitable for program elevation.
- Document and record experimental data in a GLP/ISO manner.
- Coordinate with outside contractors and vendors to assist with our drug delivery efforts.

Minimum Qualifications:

- * Ph.D. in pharmaceuticals, bioengineering, materials science, chemistry or related area with 0-2 years of relevant industrial experience
- * M.S. with 4-6 years of relevant industrial experience
- * B.S. with 8-10 years of relevant industrial experience
- * Candidates should have experience in Pharmaceutical product development
- * Experience in formulation, analytical chemistry, biology, and materials science is preferred
- * Good oral and written communication skills required.

Other Info:

Dates of Recruitment: 11/16/09 – 01/04/09

Location: Fort Worth, Texas

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Our generous benefits package includes the Alcon 401(k) Plan which matches employee contributions up to 5% of eligible pay at the rate of \$1.00 for each dollar contributed, and the Alcon Retirement Plan (ARP), a qualified plan in which Alcon contributes 7% of eligible pay to the accounts of all eligible employees. By combining the Company's contributions to the 401(k) and ARP, employees can receive up to 12% of eligible pay from Alcon towards retirement. Alcon also offers medical, dental, vision, life and disability coverage, an on-site fitness center and much more. Consider having all this in a fast paced environment within a stable world-class organization.

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