

Allergan is a global, technology-driven multi-specialty health care company pursuing therapeutic advances to help patients live life to their fullest potential. In making this commitment, we work to develop an unparalleled level of insight into patients' wants and needs — and into the priorities and concerns of the medical specialists who treat them. To this end, we employ more than 50 percent of our work force in either research and development (R&D) or sales, ensuring our efforts are focused on innovation and our customers.

We are currently seeking a Research Investigator – Drug Delivery for our Irvine, CA campus

The Opportunity:

The Research Investigator is second from the top in the technical scientific ladder. The incumbent applies advanced scientific principles, theories and concepts to the assignment and is expected to be an innovative thinker with original ideas. He/She will conduct novel research activities to improve/invent novel drug delivery systems and formulations. The essential components of this position are in-depth understanding of basic science principles, polymer chemistry, processing and drug delivery systems, a high level expertise in pharmaceuticals and chemistry, and the ability to integrate and to critically evaluate technical information from diverse sources into a product concept that is globally acceptable. The person will also be responsible to oversee pharmaceutical development activities to develop products for preclinical and early clinical development. Other responsibilities include authoring relevant drug product sections in the regulatory documents, technical reports and memos and manuscripts for publication in internationally recognized journals.

The Research Investigator provides guidance, advice and technical expertise within the Drug Delivery group as well as to management and across Program and Project teams. Identifies Drug Delivery research goals and represents Pharm. Development as a national authority in Drug Delivery. Provides leadership in the design and execution of drug delivery research leading to new delivery systems. Provides expert technical evaluation of outside drug delivery technologies and business opportunities. Ensures company awareness of intellectual property issues surrounding drug delivery systems and actively pursues IP protection for all Allergan drug delivery discoveries. As a national expert in drug delivery technology development this individual is expected to give invited presentations at major national scientific meetings and symposia.

The Requirements:

- Expertise in drug delivery, physical chemistry and process development of polymeric systems acquired through a Ph.D. degree in Pharmaceutics, Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Chemical Engineering or Polymer Chemistry and at least 10+ years relevant industrial experience
- Proven track record of publications and presentations in the relevant area of technical specialty
- Familiarity and understanding of governmental regulatory processes worldwide
- Proven drug delivery system development and supervisory skills
- Excellent communication skills, both verbal and written
- This individual will have a thorough knowledge of mass transfer concepts, physical chemistry and pharmaceutical technology together with a proven record of success in developing drug delivery systems. A sound working knowledge of pharmaceutical polymers and excipients used in drug delivery system development is required
- Knowledge and experience in manufacturing and process development of drug delivery systems is also needed
- Peers and investigators in this field will recognize the incumbent as a contributor to the basic science of drug delivery. This individual will be recognized as a national expert in the field

- Knowledge of common unit operations and manufacturing process pertaining to polymer based drug products is essential
- Knowledge of device requirements is a plus

For consideration please apply online using the following link:

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Open date: 11/10/09

Close date: till position fills