

Senior or Principal Scientist - Chemistry

Protego Biopharma is a fast-growing, Series A stage company focusing on R&D of small molecule therapeutics targeting protein misfolding diseases. We are seeking a highly motivated and goal-oriented chemist to join our team. This role provides scientific expert knowledge as well as technical expertise and leadership in design and optimization of small molecule chemical chaperones. You will be a key member of the chemistry team and work with both internal team and external collaborators. The ability to work in a fast-paced environment, striving for excellence, high aptitude for learning, trouble shooting, team work, and communication skills are essential. This is a full-time position in San Diego, California. On-site work is required.

Key responsibilities:

1. Lead the chemistry activities in a multi-disciplinary drug hunting team from initial hit discovery to through optimization of hit to lead series to clinical candidate.
2. Demonstrated expertise in leading CROs in modern chemistry strategies including high throughput synthesis.
3. Partnership with the computational sciences to develop the structure-based design, in-silico model development and machine learning strategies and execution on drug discovery projects.
4. Communicate clearly to stakeholders through oral and written communications, lead and participate in scientific and technical meetings, and provide expert recommendations.
5. Supervise and mentor junior scientists in the company.

Requirements

A PhD in chemistry with 2+ year of pharma/biotech drug discovery experience is required.

- Demonstrated expertise and successes in organic synthesis.
- Demonstrated expertise and impact on drug discovery programs.
- Detail-oriented, strong organizational skills, eager to learn and continuously improve, and a dedication to quality and integrity.
- Effective and professional communication skills, written and oral, and aptitude for problem solving and technical writing.
- Ability to work independently and as a team player in a fast-paced team environment, meet deadlines and company objectives.

The level of this position will be based on the final candidate's qualifications.

Please note this job description is not designed to cover or contain a comprehensive listing of activities, duties or responsibilities that are required of the employee for this job. Duties, responsibilities and activities may change at any time with or without notice.

Policy

Protego is committed to creating a diverse environment and is proud to be an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity, national origin, genetics, disability, age, sexual orientation or veteran status.

Application Procedure

For submission, please send your resume and cover letter to info@protegiopharma.com.