

# VACANCY

**Job title:** Senior Scientist  
**Location:** Southampton (Primerdesign)

## **Job Summary**

Primerdesign is looking for an enthusiastic and talented Senior scientist for an opportunity to join an expanding R&D department within a fast-growing and friendly biotech business.

We are experts in real-time PCR, a molecular biology technique for detecting the presence of DNA and quantifying it. We have customers in many different industries including academia, research, healthcare, food industry and the veterinary industry selling to over 100 countries worldwide.

An exciting new venture for the company lies with developing and selling IVD CE marked PCR assays, giving you the chance to make a difference to the future healthcare industry. As a Research Associate, your primary role will be to develop and test products to ensure regulatory and customer requirements are met.

## **Main duties and responsibilities**

- Independent study lead responsibilities for CE marking and research projects
- Independent driving of projects and responsibility for project progress
- Keeping up to date with the latest in technological advancements in the field
- Serve as a scientific consultant during client visits
- Presentation of work to management team
- The provision of expert technical support and problem solving for customers and the manufacturing team
- Independent contributions to interdepartmental activities
- Customer relationship management
- Contribute to the developing CE marking pipeline currently being established within the company.
- Support CE marking project scientist to manage and ensure validation plans are in line with strategy.
- Ensure the completion of research-related documentation (including technical summaries) in line with an ISO13485 quality management system.
- Produce content for sales and marketing teams including webinars, presentations, delivery of customer Q&A sessions.
- Leading by example (e.g. practices and behaviours)
- Report writing
- Participation in R&D and project team meetings

## **Qualifications and experience required**

### **Essential**

- Candidates should have as a minimum, a Bachelor's degree in a related field and at least 2 years' experience within a similar role in industry.



- Previous PCR knowledge and hands-on experience is essential.
- Ability to plan experiments, problem solve and progress projects independently
- The ability to work well within a team and have strong written and verbal communication skills is critical.
- Excellent organizational skills and outstanding attention to detail are required for this role.

Desirable

- PhD in a related field
- Experience of working within a quality system is highly advantageous, particularly ISO 13485.
- Previous experience in scientific product development or creating complex study designs desired.
- Previous statistical data analysis experience would be beneficial.
- Experience handling Hazard Group 2 organisms in a Category 2 Laboratory would be of interest.

Hours of Work	37.5 hours per week
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