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## Associate Director of Chemistry

### Summary/Objective

5Metis, a pure play agrichemical company working at the cooperative interface of chemistry and biology, is seeking an experienced people-leader chemist with an excellent background in discovery/medicinal chemistry to manage and oversee the 5Metis formulation and analytical chemistry labs and personnel. This includes setting priorities for the labs, employee management, hiring, career development, and oversight of laboratory budgets for equipment, contracts, general lab requirements, and travel. In addition, the successful candidate will support outsourced discovery chemistry efforts, as well as growing the cohesive partnership between chemistry and biology. This position reports directly to the Senior Director of Chemistry.

### Essential Functions

- Oversight of all formulation efforts being led by the Senior Formulations Chemist
- Oversight of all analytical projects being led by the Senior Analytical Chemist
- Direct management of all chemistry laboratory personnel (currently 3 scientists), including career development
- Establishment and maintenance of chemistry laboratory budgets in coordination with the Senior Director of Chemistry
- Supporting the Senior Director of Chemistry (using CROs for synthesis) to:
  - Execute on-going discovery/medicinal chemistry projects
  - Develop new discovery projects
  - Propose/develop new synthetic routes
- Work directly with the Director of Biology to grow partnership and synergies between the functions
- Reporting to and interacting with technical and business leaders on progress and challenges across formulation chemistry, analytical chemistry, and other aspects of the company

### Required Education and Experience

The successful candidate will have a minimum of a PhD in Chemistry with 7-10 years of professional laboratory managerial experience. The candidate should have a proven track record of success in synthetic medicinal chemistry, with an emphasis on discovery research in the life sciences. Experience in agricultural research, natural product chemistry, and/or early process chemistry as well as a close working history with biology is a plus.

A self-motivated and entrepreneurial mindset with the ability to work independently and as a member of a team while adapting to changing priorities and multiple projects at the same time is also essential.

The successful candidate must thrive in a small organization amid rapidly changing priorities.

## **Job Type**

Full-time, managerial based, with the opportunity for further career development in the future.

## **Location**

Research Triangle Park (RTP) North Carolina, USA

## **About 5Metis**

Formed by combining assets and capabilities from Boragen and AgriMetis, 5Metis is dedicated exploiting natural products and the unique properties of the element boron to bring new mode-of-action products to the agrichemical industry.

5Metis is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate in recruitment, hiring, training, promotion or any other employment practices for reasons of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, sexual orientation, marital or veteran status, disability, or any other legally protected status under federal, state or local law. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable qualified individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

## **How To Apply**

Please send a cover letter and resume to Larry Creemer at [jobs@5metis.com](mailto:jobs@5metis.com).