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CMC Drug and Dermal Filler Development | People Leadership and Development | Continuous Improvement | Innovation | Problem-solving

A NCE (new chemical entity) drug development leader and scientific advisor with more than 25 years' experience in small molecule drug discovery & development working in big pharma alongside 5 years' experience in HA-based dermal filler R&D and trouble-shooting marketed products (eg., OOS, OOT) resulting in several success stories, avoiding market recalls and costly re-processing through sound science. I am not afraid to innovate within the scope of the project or task in hand and have a strong track record of tangible creativity (>100 scientific communications) spanning from enabling access to hard-to-make design space in a drug discovery setting all the way to significantly improving established API routes permitting net commercial gain.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- June 2023- Founder and CEO of CMC Innov Consulting SAS (France)**
Consultancy company specialising in chemistry, manufacturing, and controls' activities with a profound expertise in organic synthesis, chemical development and troubleshooting.
- Dec 2020 Head of Small Molecule Development & Scientific Advisor (Senior Principal Scientist) – Global R&D – CMC – GALDERMA SA (Switzerland) - Dermatology**
Promotion. Accountable for all small molecule drug substance and drug product development with particular expertise in topical drug development. Other responsibilities include CMC leadership of early development programs (topical & aesthetic), providing technical advice for dossier submissions, to other departments (eg., Formulation, Quality, Regulatory Affairs, Industrial Development, Procurement, IP) and supporting legacy product small molecule drug substance activities.
Main achievements
- ❖ CMC Lead for 3 small molecule kinase projects (2 topical and 1 oral) and 1 aesthetic project with all projects meeting their CMC milestones within the fixed timeframe under the umbrella of COVID-19.
 - ❖ Technical lead for the global nitrosamine strategy. Construction of risk assessment templates, risk evaluation for all drug substances and drug products across all sites.
 - ❖ Stabilization of several DS processes after numerous OOS / OOT through cross-site and highly collaborative scientific approaches with significant cost-savings for Operations.
 - ❖ Technical support for small molecule dossier submissions, questions from competent authorities, 2nd sourcing projects, due-diligence, patents and for Quality Departments to make decisions namely through troubleshooting supported by position papers and toxicological assessments.
 - ❖ 15 Patents, external publications and presentations.
- Feb 2019 Head of Chemical Development & Scientific Advisor (Senior Principal Scientist) – Prescription GBU - CMC – GALDERMA SA (Switzerland) - Dermatology**
Promoted to Scientific Advisor providing support for all API synthesis activities from lead generation up to cGMP manufacture of drug substance including supporting legacy product drug substance activities.
- Sep 2018 Senior Expert Scientist (Principal Scientist) for API Synthesis – Prescription GBU - NESTLÉ SKIN HEALTH (Switzerland) - Dermatology**
Chosen to lead the entire synthesis for the group adopting a virtual R&D or 100% outsourced organisation model.
- Nov 2014 Head of Research Synthesis / Senior Expert Scientist (Principal Scientist) – NESTLÉ SKIN HEALTH (France) - Dermatology, Aesthetic & Corrective Fields**
Responsible for driving a large team of up to 15 chemists internally and for all external (CRO) small molecule and hydrogel synthesis activities for Galderma-Nestlé Skin Health Research on the Sophia site.

Main achievements

- ❖ Delivered >60% in terms of principal KPIs (key performance indicators) over 3 years and drove the synthesis of 8 development candidates for rosacea, acne (Caspase I, RORyt), skin cancer (HDAc) and psoriasis (TACEBu, RORBic)
- ❖ Active management of CRO synthesis support (selection, strategy, problem-solving, negotiation) to Rx and A&C projects on a FFS and FTE basis
- ❖ Principal contributor to the recruitment and installation of a new dermal filler research team on the Sophia Antipolis site with several innovative projects in the preclinical and clinical phase including the clinical candidate Novolink
- ❖ Chair of A&C cross-site innovation group with focus on BDDE-free hydrogels (*eg.*, Novolink) and integration of skin-essential minerals in gel formulations. New dermal platform discovered and to be marketed from Q4 2025.
- ❖ Increase of >400% in scientific communications from the group including initiation of an annual chemistry symposium with the University of Nice
- ❖ 32 Publications, patents and external presentations have been released during this period

Apr 2013

Head of Research Synthesis – GALDERMA R&D (France)- Dermatology

Responsible for driving a large team of up to 12 chemists internally and for all external small molecule medicinal chemistry research.

**Nov 2012 -
Mar 2013**

Principal Scientist – Chemistry – ADOCIA (France) - Biotechnology

Senior scientist implicated in project construction for an innovative biopharmaceutical company. Developed particular expertise in the field of polysaccharide modification for protein-delivery vehicles.

**2000-2012
(12 years)**

Associate Principal Scientist (Chemistry Team Manager) - ASTRAZENECA (France) – Oncology iMed

Responsible for driving synthesis teams, including external CRO activity, to support discovery medicinal chemistry projects in the oncology research area.

Main achievements

- ❖ Twelve years' experience in synthesis management, internal and external through CROs, to support delivery of 15 oncology projects including three developments compounds (AZD1845, AZD4679 and AZD8835)
- ❖ Nominated to lead the *cross-site Global Synthesis Network* from 2010 by the AZ Global Chemistry Network (therapeutic area chemistry directors)
- ❖ Key Process Owner for local and global continuous improvement projects
- ❖ Fully accredited Innovation Coach by CCMR Consultants Ltd
- ❖ 42 External publications including presentations and patents were released surrounding problem-solving within the scope of the projects
- ❖ 8 Global AstraZeneca Awards for achievement in drug discovery synthesis

**1999-2000
(18 months)**

Senior Research Chemist - ASTRAZENECA (U.K.) – Oncology iMed (secondment)

Route conception and execution to deliver novel final compounds namely for kinase targets. SHE laboratory lead and Process Research & Development key contact.

Main achievement

- ❖ During this period, our team accessed several unexplored targets in two projects by providing novel chemical routes resulting in several publications.

**1997-1999
(18 months)**

Senior Process Research Chemist - ASTRAZENECA (U.K.) - Pharmaceutical Development

Develop robust and commercially viable processes for plant-scale operations. Developed a strong expertise in industrial-scale solid supported peptide synthesis.

Main achievements

- ❖ Development of a solid-phase peptide process to deliver 4 kg of a decapeptide (WO2000075171) Preparation of the key lactam fragment (WO9955669), "Boc-Lactam-OH", reducing epimerisation (8-12% to 0.05%), which was the key driver to switch to a solution-phase route (WO2002008247) resulting in significant cost-savings for campaign 5 (>20 kg).

EDUCATION

1993-1997

Ph.D. in Organic Chemistry under the supervision of Professor David Leigh (UMIST now Manchester University, U.K., ranked 29th in QS World Rankings 2018, [link](#) & 7th in the U.K. [link](#)).

1990-1993

B.Sc. (First Class Honours) and first-placed graduate specialising in Medicinal Chemistry (UMIST now Manchester University, U.K., ranked 29th in QS World Rankings 2018, [link](#) & 7th in the U.K. [link](#)).

PATENTS, PUBLICATIONS, PRESENTATIONS & PRIZES (>100)

Author / co-author / inventor / co-inventor of 53 papers (>600 citations, H1 Index 14, RI Score >300 ([link](#))), 34 patents and 18 external presentations recognised with several awards.

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EXTERNAL PRESENTATIONS (visible *via* Researchgate ([link](#)))

- *Total synthesis of Atrasentan*. Invited talk given during a regional symposium at Reims University, **2002** ([link](#)).
- *Selective alkylation of a 6,7-dihydroxyquinazoline*. Invited talk given during a regional symposium at Reims University, France **2005** ([link](#)).
- *Systematic variation of a key quinazoline core*. Poster presentation given at the 22nd ECHC Symposium in Bari, Italy, **2006** ([link](#)).
- *Synthesis of highly substituted thienopyrroles and pyrroles as GnRH antagonists*. Poster presentation given at the 8th Tetrahedron Symposium in Berlin, Germany, **2007** ([link](#)).
- *Synthesis of highly substituted thienopyrroles and pyrroles as GnRH antagonists*. Invited talk given at the 20th French-Japanese Symposium on Medicinal and Fine Chemistry in Bordeaux, France, **2008** ([link](#)).
- *Novel synthesis of α -alkoxythiophene amino acids*. Presentation given during a regional symposium at Reims University, **2010** ([link](#)) and given at the 24th ECHC conference, Vienna, Austria, **2010** ([link](#)).
- *Three-point variation of a key quinazoline core*. Invited talk given at FloHet12, Gainesville, Florida, U.S., **2011** ([link](#)).
- *Synthesis of highly substituted thienopyrroles and pyrroles as GnRH antagonists*. Invited talk given at the 40th Birthday of the French Chemical Society, Reims, France, **2011** ([link](#)).
- *Diversity orientated synthesis of novel kinase inhibitors*. Invited talk given at the Ecole Polytechnique, Paris, France **2011** ([link](#)).
- *An expedient synthesis of novel, non-peptidic RGD integrin antagonists targeting $\alpha 5\beta 1$* . Invited talk given at the 2nd Winter Process Chemistry Conference, Manchester, U.K. **2014** ([link](#)).
- *Annual Galderma-Nice University Symposium, 2015-2017*. Initiator and co-organiser of this popular event to share innovative chemistry between Nice University and Galderma used principally as a development opportunity for our synthetic chemist community.
- *Synthesis enabling design: Two independent case studies of library route design and optimization*. Invited talk given at the JMJC, Nice, France **2016** ([link](#)).
- *Synthesis of selective inhibitors of Caspase I*. Invited talk given at Peptides U.K., London, U.K. **2017** ([link](#)).
- *Design and synthesis of novel peptidomimetic Caspase I inhibitors as a novel topical treatment for acne*. Invited short talk given at the 2nd Swiss Industrial Chemistry Symposium, Basel, Switzerland, **2018** ([link](#)).
- *Lean delivery of a sulfoxime-based ROR γ inverse agonist for topical administration*. Featured speaker & presentation given at BOS, Basel, Switzerland, **2019** ([link](#)).
- *Transitioning towards a fully outsourced model in CMC - Showcasing Highly Collaborative Outsourcing Partnerships*. Invited speaker & presentation to be given at BOS, Manchester, UK, **2022** ([link](#)).

PRIZES & AWARDS

- **AZ Global Oncology Publications Prize Winner, 2005**. Recognition for authorship and co-authorship of 2 individual print publications and 3 patents in the same year together with presentations at internal symposia.
- **AZ Global Oncology Innovation Award for Synthesis, 2008**. Recognition for the design and synthesis of a chiral un-stabilised C-2 thiophene ether amino acid derived integrin ligand and successful collaborative work with Professor Richard Jackson (Sheffield, U.K.) ([link](#)).
- **AZ Global Oncology Publications Prize Winner, 2009**. Recognition for authorship of 4 individual print publications, 1 successful collaboration with Professor Jackson (*J. Org. Chem.*, **2010**, *75*, 245 ([link](#))) and 1 patent in the same year together with presentations at internal symposia.
- Elected Oncology **Reims "Local Star"** and voted **"best chemist"** by oncology directors and rewarded with the honour of attending the *Nobel Prize Ceremony for Chemistry*, **2010**.
- **AZ Global Oncology Publications Prize Winner, 2011**. Recognition for authorship of 4 individual print publications, 3 invited talks and the first synthesis book chapter from Discovery.
- **AZ Global Senior Scientist of the Year (Chemistry), 2011**. Recognition for the discovery and application of a new aromatic primary amine protecting group with major advantages over existing protecting groups, having 5 papers accepted and having delivered 3 invited talks.
- **AZ Global Quarterly Prize for Innovation, 2012**. Recognition for having successfully directed the synthesis of 3 individual series in parallel to answer the shortest Lead Optimisation Identification Phase in AZ History. All 3 synthetic routes, with very little inter-route convergence, were sufficiently optimised for the immediate manufacture of large quantities of the APIs for comparative pre-toxicology evaluation. These routes were optimised in parallel with ongoing

final SAR probing. This huge team effort was rewarded with the successful nomination of the selected candidate AZD8835 (prepared on a scale of 5 kg over 15 steps, 29% overall yield) in September **2012**.

- Winner of **AZ Abstract Prize** (August **2008**, December **2008**, June **2011**, August **2012**).
- Selected by R&D Directors to propose an entry for the **Nestlé Innovation Award 2018** concerning the pH neutral cleavage of amide bonds under aqueous conditions (WO2017114861, WO2017114859, *Eur. J. Org. Chem.* **2018**, *23*, 2995-3000 ([link](#))).
- Awarded status of **Fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry** (FRSC) namely for organic synthesis contributions to drug discovery, March **2018**.
- Often present in the monthly communications from the VP GBU Rx for **High Impact Contributions** during **2018-2020**
- Many internal Galderma **"Galvanize" awards** notably for innovative problem-solving for our development programs and for supporting legacy product trouble-shooting activities during **2021-2022**.

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