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Commercially astute and strategically influential life sciences global leader.

Educated to PhD level in the field of biochemistry, with a 20+ year progressive career spanning both higher education and the commercial sector. Experienced in leading transformational change, policy development, strategic vision and operational goals, within both large and complex commercial and academic environments, with multiple and diverse stakeholders. Adept at fostering productive and influential relationships, generating significant income for the UK bioindustry.

EMPLOYMENT

UHI, Vice-Principal Engagement. Jan 2022 – November 2022. Development of 5-year engagement strategy, with focus on healthcare innovation and sustainability, and three major philanthropic campaigns, securing £1m+ income.

National Horizons Centre, Director. Sept 2020 to Jan 2022. Accountable for 5-year business strategy, with £8m+ annual revenue target. Building high performing 70 strong team. Stakeholder engagement and developing strategic partnerships and venture capitalist, philanthropy, and alumni networks. £1m+ secured for National Training Centre for Advanced Therapies and Life Sciences Manufacturing Academy.

FUJIFILM Diosynth Biotechnologies, Global Vice President, Business Change. Jun 2018 – Sept 2020. Reporting directly to the CEO, and leading a team of 40, sitting on global Executive Leadership Team, accountable for Business Change Portfolio worth \$500m+.

University of Sheffield, BBSRC Industrial Biotechnology Network Manager. Jun 2014 – Jun 2018. Delivering 5-year strategy, recruiting 1300 members, managing budget of £1m+, including IP and contracts. Driving UK bioindustry growth, forging strong links between biotech sector, policy makers and NGOs. Grant writing and securing £20m+ funding.

University of Sheffield, Business Development Manager. Jan 2013 – Jun 2014. Developing and delivering strategic business development plan aligned with science faculty priorities and wider university goals. Developing alumni networks, philanthropic campaigns, grant writing and commercial income generation.

Metrohm UK, Sales and Marketing Manager. May 2011 – Jan 2013. Sales and marketing of technical equipment to industry experts within highly competitive market, leading seven-strong sales team. Salesperson of the year 2 roles in a year.

Lafarge Cement, Renewable Energies Laboratory Manager. October 2007 – May 2011. Designed and project managed laboratory build, led team of 5 in delivery of complex research projects. Influenced UK government policy change, to drive increased construction industry use of renewable energy.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Author of the [UK National Industrial Biotechnology Strategy to 2030](#)
- £8m+ income for the National Horizons Centre
- Youngest and first external appointment to FUJIFILM Executive Leadership Team
- Led Integration Management Office for Merger and Acquisition of \$870M business
- Youngest magistrate to be appointed to Her Majesty's Court services

QUALIFICATIONS

- PhD Biochemistry, University of Sheffield
- First Class MBiolSc, University of Sheffield
- Integrated Business Planning
- Carbon Literacy certificate
- Climate Change: Transforming your organisation for sustainability, Open University
- Yellow Belt LSS
- PRINCE2 Project Management
- Professional Certificate, Research Management
- Laboratory Management to ISO 17025
- Auditing to ISO 9001

BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND VOLUNTARY

CURRENT

- Member, BBSRC Follow-On Fund
- Member, BBSRC People and Talent SAP
- Member, Innovate UK IBLF

PREVIOUS

- Governor, The Education Training Collective
- Board member, TVCA LEP
- Member, Bionow Strategic Advisory Group and Chair of Skills Working Group
- Magistrate