

**Job Title:** Business Analyst

**Job Type:** Contract, duration estimated 9-12 months

### **The Opportunity:**

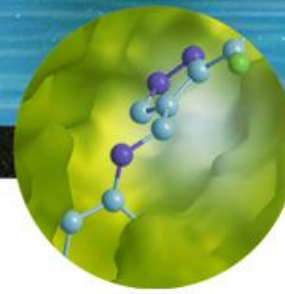
X-Chem Pharmaceuticals is seeking a contract Business Analyst. X-Chem is a drug discovery company that uses DNA-encoded library (DEL) technology to discover leads for therapeutic targets. As a world leader in DEL technology, X-Chem collaborates with numerous pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, resulting in over 70 licensed programs to date.

This position is responsible for conducting business process, system analysis and requirements gathering for a proposed CRM – ERP business application selection and implementation. They will work as part of a small and newly established Project and PMO team, reporting into the Associate Director – Projects and PMO and support the introduction of formal business analysis processes and techniques to X-Chem and specific projects.

The Business Analyst will liaise with internal business stakeholders to understand current processes, gather requirements, identify opportunities for improvement and deliver recommendations. They will be responsible for building collaborative working relationships across the business and with IT/IX teams and facilitating workshops to discuss and consider a range of new process improvement initiatives. They will support the evaluation and selection of an appropriate vendor (s) through significant input into compilation and issuing of an RFP (Request for Proposal) and assessment of product and vendor functional and non-functional capabilities.

### **Key Responsibilities:**

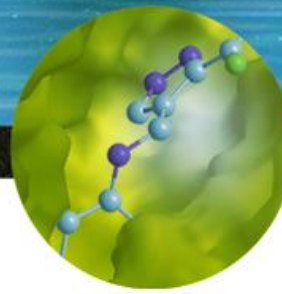
- Identify relevant X-Chem stakeholders (clients, third party suppliers, internal teams etc.) and their area, level of influence in the business and for each project. Develop and execute a strategy to manage, collaborate and communicate with stakeholders appropriately to understand their business goals, aspirations, and challenges.
- Lead discovery sessions and workshops, (on-site and remotely) including white boarding and ideas generation to understand how changes to process, data and reporting, and software can improve efficiencies and add value to X-Chem.
- Identify tactical/quick win opportunities to improve current processes or better exploit existing investment in software, prior to the selection and implementation of a wider end-end solution.
- Liaise with business managers and users to understand, align, and prioritize business requirements and expectations across all business areas using methods such as MoSCoW.
- Provide expertise on system capabilities / limitations as it relates to business needs, balancing process complexity, technological feasibility and capability with anticipated costs and benefits.



- Produce and manage documentation sets including business requirements, specifications, feasibility proposals, process documentation describing the project's objectives, individual process flows, user stories and outcomes, and data requirements.
- Communicate effectively with all stakeholders to gain feedback and necessary approvals on functional, non-functional, and technical requirements.
- Define and obtain agreement for the business solution acceptance criteria. Work with the business owners to assess vendor and product capabilities against agreed requirements and acceptance criteria.
- Support the project management team during the design, build and implementation phases to ensure that the vendor solutions meet defined requirements and functionality needs.
- Assist in the preparation of test plans, liaising closely with testing functions and end users to ensure appropriate test criteria are being created to reflect the business needs.
- Act as change agent, promoting the successful adoption and buy-in to new processes, systems, and ways of working through effective communication, engagement and assisting in product and process familiarisation.
- Assist / Author in the preparation of development of training and/or technical documentation.
- Work with senior stakeholders to support the initiation of new projects and improvement activities through the creation of business cases, mandates, and cost/resource estimates for consideration by the relevant X-Chem approval groups
- Work with internal IX and IT teams to promote the adoption of appropriate (both traditional and agile) project management and business analysis good practice techniques, standards, and documentation.

## **Skills and Qualifications:**

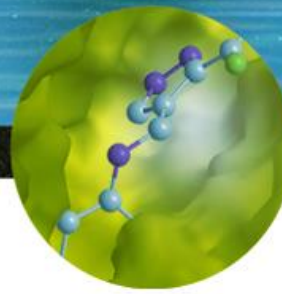
- A bachelor's degree (e.g. computer science, business) or equivalent experience.
- Ideally formal Business Analysis certifications such as IIBA, PMI or IQBBA
- Substantial business analysis experience across a range of organizations, project and business activities including sales and marketing, finance and procurement, human resources, and operations.
- Experience in documenting As-Is and To-Be business requirements, use cases, user stories, activity diagrams, BPMN/UML with ability to demonstrate attention to detail.
- Proven stakeholder management and workshop facilitation skills (on-site and virtual), with the ability to elicit, review and gain approval for requirements, specifications, processes, and priorities.
- Extensive experience with full software selection, implementation, and development (SDLC) projects (Agile and Waterfall) from requirements, design, build/development, and implementation through to UAT, training and production.
- Experience in working with third party vendors, and outsourced development teams



- Experience in developing training materials and in training end users.
- Demonstrate strong customer service orientation and be able to communicate difficult /sensitive information tactfully.
- A structured and methodical approach to the management of tasks, and the ability to work in a fast-paced environment.
- Be able to work on own initiative, prioritize workload, work to tight deadlines, plan, organize and monitor several activities at the same time.
- A solid understanding of business structure, processes, management information and KPIs across sales and marketing, finance and procurement, HR, operations
- Ideally biotech and pharmaceutical knowledge.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Excellent interpersonal, listening, consultative and negotiation skills
- Strong workshop facilitation, interviewing and elicitation skills
- Stakeholder analysis and change management
- Requirements engineering and processes modelling in BPMG or UML
- Cost benefit analysis
- A good understanding of the application of different tools and techniques such as Jira or DevOps
- Wider appreciation of applications, databases, SaaS, reporting / BI and other technology.
- Well organized and highly motivated. Adaptable, able to work on own initiative and delivery focused.
- Able to handle a complex range of external stakeholders with a diverse array of competing demands and priorities.
- Able to work as part of a small but growing dynamic team, actively promoting X-Chem's core values and the cross-team sharing of skills, knowledge, and best practices to improve teamwork, increase awareness and understanding.
- A practical and logical approach to trouble shooting and solving business problems.
- Being detail-oriented and capable of delivering a high level of accuracy

## **About us:**

X-Chem is a privately held biotechnology company whose mission is to apply its innovative drug discovery capabilities to the discovery of compounds against novel therapeutic targets.



X-Chem offers a stimulating, casual, and fun working environment; plus a competitive salary and benefits package, stock option incentives, and the opportunity for all employees to grow with the Company. X-Chem is an equal opportunity employer that complies with all applicable national, state and local laws governing nondiscrimination in employment as well as employment eligibility verification requirements of the Immigration and Nationality Act. All applicants must have authorization to work in the United States.

## **EEO Statement:**

X-Chem is an equal opportunity employer and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, gender identity, sexual orientation, pregnancy and pregnancy-related conditions, or any other characteristic protected by law.

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