

Akston Biosciences has two immediate openings for **Quality Assurance (QA) Specialists/Associates**.

**Title**                      **Quality Assurance Specialist/Associate**

**Primary Duties**

- Perform QA review of controlled documents including SOPs, batch records, analytical records/reports, warehouse and material records, product specifications and release documents, deviation reports, change control documents, qualification/validation reports, and GLP-study reports
- Write SOPs and establish QA procedures to ensure quality operations in the regulated company facilities (manufacturing unit, GMP area and QC/GLP laboratories)
- Coordinate quality activities and identify and resolve quality problems in GMP/GLP units at Akston or with external suppliers/vendors, and help implement continuous improvements in the quality procedures
- Assist in identifying and investigating deviations, non-conformance and out-of-specification incidents, and implementing CAPA tools for minimizing such incidents
- Assist in conducting routine inspections of manufacturing processes, analytical processes, QC procedures and GLP-projects, and auditing of records/documents to ensure regulatory compliance
- Assist in conducting inspections and internal audits of manufacturing units and analytical laboratories to ensure regulatory and quality compliance
- Assist in implementation of document management and control activities in the quality system including collection, distribution, storage, scanning/imaging, archival and retrieval of controlled documents
- Establish and implement procedures to ensure the quality of raw materials and other critical materials and their storage and use in manufacturing
- Assist in arranging and coordinating equipment calibrations, PM and IQ/OQ/PQ and maintain such records
- Assist in training of staff in quality procedures and operations

**Other Responsibilities & Skills**

- Strong communication and interpersonal skills
- Good organizational skills with ability to adapt to changing priorities, to multi-task in a fast-paced and dynamic environment and to meet challenging timelines
- Ability to develop solutions to complex quality problems and establish processes to continuously improve and streamline existing quality procedures
- Communicate with outside vendors to learn and implement new technologies, where applicable, into the company's processes
- Demonstrate ability to understand and interpret data and its practical applications

<b>Qualifications</b>	A master's degree or bachelor's degree in life sciences, preferably majoring in Biology, Biomedical, Pharmaceutical Sciences or relevant field and 1-5 years of work experience in pharmaceutical or biotech industries with minimum of 1 year of QA experience in support of GMP/GLP is required. Proficiency and knowledge in quality system operations and applicable regulations related to GxP is preferred.
<b>Experience</b>	<p>The successful candidate shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Demonstrate proficiency in quality systems and QA activities in regulated pharmaceutical environment</li><li>• Have experience in QA functions and implementation of quality procedures in manufacturing units and quality control laboratories, including document management and control, internal audits and inspections, quality investigations, deviation management, change control, CAPA procedures, and trend monitoring etc.</li><li>• Have experience in quality review of SOPs, manufacturing batch records, analytical reports, product specification records, deviation reports, cleanroom environmental and microbial monitoring records/reports, and qualification/validation reports (e.g., facility, equipment, process, and cleaning validation)</li><li>• Have experience in writing of quality documents and procedures (SOPs).</li><li>• Have knowledge of FDA, EMEA and other applicable industry and quality regulations related to pharmaceutical industry</li><li>• Demonstrate strong skills with common software programs such as Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and MS Project; and a familiarity with analytical and statistical analysis software</li></ul>
<b>Compensation</b>	Pay commensurate with skills and experience, eligibility for company benefit plans.
<b>Other</b>	Must live within commuting distance of Beverly, MA.
<b>Company</b>	Akston Biosciences leverages its novel fusion protein platform to develop and manufacture new classes of biologics, including autoimmune disease therapies, ultra-long-acting insulins, and vaccines. Akston has built a diverse pipeline of therapeutic candidates for use in both human and animal health. Akston has two immediate openings for <b>Quality Assurance (QA) Specialist/Associate</b> positions for the company located in Beverly, MA. For more information, see <a href="http://www.akstonbio.com">www.akstonbio.com</a> .
<b>Contact</b>	Candidates should send CV and cover letter to <a href="mailto:careers@akstonbio.com">careers@akstonbio.com</a> or <a href="mailto:t.sathi@akstonbio.com">t.sathi@akstonbio.com</a>