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Professional Profile

Dr. Claire Fordyce is a regulatory professional with over 10 years working in the cosmetics sector. She ioined Exponent in 2020, bringing extensive knowledge of all aspects of cosmetic product compliance and registration for a wide variety of markets. Dr. Fordyce is responsible for carrying out artwork and formula reviews, creating and reviewing Product Information Files (PIFs) and notifying products on both the EU Cosmetic Products Notification Portal (CPNP) and the UK Submit Cosmetic Product Notifications (SCPN) Portal.

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Dr. Fordyce holds a first-class master's degree in chemistry from the University of Sheffield, and during that time spent a year studying abroad at the University of Maryland. She then went on to gain a PhD in synthetic organic chemistry at The University of Edinburgh, under the supervision of Professor Hon Wai Lam. Her research focused on copper-catalyzed reductive Michael cyclizations and has subsequently been published in high-impact peer reviewed journals.

Prior to joining Exponent, Dr. Fordyce spent 8 years working in the regulatory department for a leading global health and beauty retailer, where she was responsible for ensuring compliance of products for several high-profile brands in a number of key markets across Europe, North and South America, Asia and Australia. She later specialized in global cosmetic ingredient compliance, including horizontal legislation such as REACh and CLP, and developed tools and processes to quickly and effectively screen cosmetic formulations for global compliance She also became the chair of the department's Chemical Stewardship Group, responsible for monitoring legislation changes affecting cosmetic products.

Academic Credentials & Professional Honors

Ph.D., Synthetic Organic Chemistry, University of Edinburgh, UK, 2010

Master of Chemistry, Chemistry, University of Sheffield, UK, 2006

Prior Experience

Regulatory Advisor – Innovation and Strategic Frameworks, Walgreens Boots Alliance, Jan 2019 – Oct 2019

Regulatory Officer, Walgreens Boots Alliance, June 2011 – Dec 2018

Synthetic Chemist, Fine Organics Ltd., Sept. 2010 – June 2011

Professional Affiliations

Member of the Royal Society of Chemistry (MRSC)

Publications

Publications under Maiden name, Oswald.

Oswald, C. L.; Carrillo-Márquez, T.; Caggiano, L.; Jackson, R. F. W. Tetrahedron, 2008, 64, 681-687.

Oswald, C. L.; Peterson, J. A.; Lam, H. W. Org. Lett. 2009, 11, 4504-4507