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Exploring Alternative Careers in Chemistry: Part 3



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What soft skills would you like to most improve?

(multiple correct answers possible)

- · Communication and networking skills
- Science journalism and communication
- Problem solving
- Adaptability
- Other (type your response in the chat window)

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Tiffany Hoerter Service Relationship Manager, Agilent Technologies



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Tiffany Hoerter About Me:

- · Originally from Wyoming
- 1.5 years at Agilent Technologies
- 5 years at **DuPont**
- 4 years at AstraZeneca
- 3 years in Contract Manufacturing
- 1 year in Project Management





Associate
Scientist
(Pharmaceuticals)
4 yrs, DE

Cross Lab

Supply Chain and

Sourcing

Associate
Investigator
(Automotive Refinish
and OLEDs)
4 yrs, DE

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Current Position: Service Relationship Manager – Agilent CrossLab Group, Agilent Technologies

- Delivering world class service to our customers while focusing on cost savings with our OEM and 3rd party suppliers for Agilent Enterprise Services.
- Specialize in process development/improvement, Six Sigma, and data management



Tiffany Hoerter Service Relationship Manager, Agilent Technologies

Education:

- Certified in Production and Inventory Management (2016)
- Certified Six Sigma Green Belt (2010, 2015)
- Trained Six Sigma Black Belt (2017)
- •M.S. Chemistry, San Diego State University
- ·B.S. Chemistry, University of Wyoming

Volunteer Service Work:

- American Chemical Society
- · Aztec Mentorship Program, San Diego State University
- · Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees, Hockessin Montessori School
- · Agilent Afterschool, Hockessin Montessori School

Interests: Photography, piano, gaming and watching my daughter play violin









Supply Chain and Sourcing

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According to the Bureau of Labor and Statistics, how many jobs does a person have from age 18 to 50?

- 1 4
- 5 7
- 8 10
- 11 14
- 15 20

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ANSWER: B. 11 - 14

The Bureau of Labor and Statistics Longitudinal Survey of Youth showed:

- Individuals born from 1957 to 1964 held an average of 11.9 jobs from ages 18 to 50.
- · These baby boomers held an average of:
 - 5.5 jobs while ages 18 to 24
 - 4.5 jobs from ages 25 to 34
 - 2.9 jobs from ages 35 to 44
 - 1.7 jobs from ages 45 to 50

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Chemistry **Training**

- · Scientific method
- Data collection/analysis
- Data driven decision making
- Communicating outcomes
- · Cultural and diversity awareness

Transferable Skills

- · All Chemistry skills are transferrable
- · The skills are leveraged differently on a new problem set
- · Opportunities to shine based on data utilization and driving data based outcomes

Developed Skills

- Project Management
- People Management
- · Financial Acumen
- Mentee, Mentor and Sponsor relationships
- Networking



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Consultants

Chemistry Career

Resources

CV/Resume review

Mock Interview

Career advice

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Skill **Development** Resources

- ACS Career Navigator
- Lynda.com
- LinkedIn Learning
- Kahn Academy (free)
- Codemy (free)
- Udacity
- Certification Programs

Networking

- F2F Networking
 - · Local, Regional, and National ACS meetings

Resources

- Local seminars, social and sponsored events
- · Alumni Association
- LinkedIn

 Royal Society Careers



MedMen





Matt Lasater Senior Director of Analytics, MedMen



MedMen Who is Matt Lasater?



From Texas

(86% of my life so far)

University of Texas at Austin

(B.S. and Ph.D.)

Cantrell Research

(Between undergraduate and graduate school)

Thermo Fisher Scientific

- Marketing for 4 years
- R&D for 4 years
- Operations for 4 years

Edwards Lifesciences

- Particulate Engineer for 1.5 years (Utah)
- **Principal Chemist for 1.5 years** (California)

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Senior Director of Analytics (California) 0.3 years so far

Rules to live by

- 1) That's interesting
- 2) Everything I know could be wrong
- 3) Most people are good most of the time





Would you work at a company that produced cannabis products?

- · Yes, even if state and federally illegal
- Yes, if state legal but federally illegal
- Yes, if federally and state legal
- No

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MedMen

Career Path and Plan



Why Thermo?

The Good:

- · Based in Austin, TX
- Found fantastic mentors
- Gained so much real world experience

Plan?



The Bad:

The Good:

Why Edwards?

skills to learn

Processes stabilized and became less interesting

· Working with one of my mentors

Fresh new problems to solve and

Opportunities to improve analytical methods diminishing





The Bad:

- Developed GC-TOF-MS then killed it
- Manufacturing at Thermo moved overseas

MedMen Career Path and Plan



Why MedMen?

The Good:

- · Opportunity to impact new field of science
 - Analytical Chemistry
 - Process improvements galore
 - Understanding a much used but poorly researched product
- Be a better mentor

The Bad:

- · Social Stigma and Legality
- High Risk







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About Translation



- Translation is written and interpreting is spoken
- Being bilingual isn't enough to make you a translator or interpreter
- Professional translators work into their native language

- Translation is more than wordsubstitution
- You need subject-matter expertise in what you translate
- Machine translation isn't going to replace human translators anytime soon



Are you monolingual?

- Yes, but I can also speak chemistry;)
- No, I can get by using other language(s)
- No, I can communicate professionally in more than one language
- No, I'm bilingual and bicultural

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A day in the life...

- Regulatory application/warning letters
- Adhesive/coatings technical datasheets
- Standard Operating Procedures for pharma companies
- Stacks of marked up, completed batch records for pharma companies
- User manual for apparatus or large equipment
- Brochures for chemicals sold to consumers (cosmetics, paint, etc.)

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A day in the life, cont.

- Patents chemical compositions, cosmetics, packaging, nutritional supplements, photovoltaic cells
- Patent opposition procedures
- Patent litigation cases
- Hazmat plan for a chemical plant
- SOPs, forms, instructions any quality controlled documents
- Review or book chapter



What alternative career paths are of interest to you?

(multiple correct answers possible)

- · Government and science policy
- Science journalism and communication
- · Chemistry and the law or IP
- Consulting
- Other (type your response in the chat window)

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