

**Job Title:** Polymer Scientist

**Function:** Chemical Engineering – Hydrogel development

**Location:** Thessaloniki, Greece **Date:** December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014

Biomimedica, Inc., is a venture-backed medical device start-up operating in South San Francisco, CA; Memphis, TN and more recently in Thessaloniki, GR. The company is developing a highly innovative *synthetic cartilage* technology to treat osteoarthritis. We are seeking an exceptional candidate to work on the development of novel hydrogel materials for our medical applications. With a fast-paced start-up environment, this position requires a highly-motivated, hands-on problem solver who is eager to take on a range of responsibilities.

## **Job Description:**

This is a Research position. The Polymer Scientist will devise approaches to develop new material chemistries/processes that are based on Biomimedica's proprietary technology platform to further optimize chemical and mechanical properties for targeted applications.

## **Education:**

• Graduate degree in Polymer Chemistry: Chemical Engineering / Physical Chemistry / Materials Science / Biochemistry or equivalent field.

## **Essential Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Develop new materials and processes based on proprietary Polyelectrolyte Interpenetrating Polymer Network (IPN) Hydrogel technology
- Use/outsource analytic modalities to characterize new materials (FTIR, NMR, GC, XPS etc)
- Literature search and reporting
- Assist in patent and scientific article writing

## **Qualifications/Work Experience:**

- 5 years professional or academic experience with Hydrophilic Polymer Synthesis and Characterization (water-based free-radical polymerization preferred), homopolymers and copolymers.
- FTIR and NMR use
- Sulfur chemistry a plus (sulfonation techniques)
- Self-motivated, hands on, <u>creative</u>, <u>team player</u>, <u>problem solver</u>
- Fluency in English

Interested candidates should send a resume to <u>kourtis@biomimedica.com</u> with "Polymer Scientist" in the subject line.