

Martyna Smith

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EDUCATION

University of Glasgow, UK

2015-2016

MSc Neurology:

- Subjects: physiology, biochemistry, pathology and treatment of the nervous system
- Laboratory skills: immunohistochemistry, protein assays (ELISA), tissue cryosectioning, cell viability assays (XTT), fluorescent microscopy, tissue staining, mammalian cell culture maintenance
- Final thesis: effects of minocycline on VPAC2 receptors in schizophrenia - determination of the mechanism of action of the novel schizophrenia treatment.

University of Aberdeen, UK

Sept 2011 - April 2015

BSc (Hons) Pharmacology

- Subjects: neuroscience, physiology, biochemistry, molecular biology and toxicology
- Laboratory skills: pipetting, buffer preparation, light microscopy, colorimetric assays, spectrophotometry, electrophysiology (patch clamp), gel electrophoresis, Western blotting
- Final thesis -investigation of the mechanisms involved in morphine addiction

WORK EXPERIENCE

Bread Meats Bread, Glasgow

Sept 2015 - Present

Line chef

A growing Scottish business of family-run burger restaurants, recently awarded as the best place to eat in Glasgow

- Serve over 300 customers daily, ensuring that the food is of the highest quality and prepared in no longer than 10 minutes
- Maintain all stock levels for efficient working and report any issues to the management and the team
- Gained the trust of the managers and owners and was considered for a team-leader position in 1 month from starting to work in the company

Sainsbury's Supermarkets PLC, Aberdeen

July 2012 - Aug 2014

Stock control assistant

- Interacted with diverse customers, delivering excellent service and building a rapport with regular customers
- Collaborated with 8 other colleagues, consistently achieving above 95% accuracy in date scanning routines
- Responsible for monitoring stock levels by implementing counting procedures and regularly surpass targets to keep error related losses under £10 for each department
- Adapted to the fast paced environment by working efficiently to ensure all routines are completed on time
- Supported other departments, guaranteeing fresh products on shelves and minimising waste

Shelter, Aberdeen

July 2011 - Aug 2014

Volunteer

- Led a team of 5 volunteers at fundraising events, e.g. Race for Life, promoting Shelter to raise awareness of the charity and sold merchandise to help reach fundraising goals for homelessness
- Engaged with customers, communicated goals of the charity which encouraged sales and donations
- Promoted and processed gift aid signups and consistently surpassed weekly targets of 30 signups as a team
- Accurately sorted and priced stock, moving items to the shop floor within a day of donations to increase sales

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Languages: Native English, fluent German, intermediate French, basic Japanese

IT skills: Competent at using Minitab Statistical Software, R Studio, GraphPad and ImageJ Bioimaging Software

Other volunteering: Helped build an eco-friendly hostel in Gili Meno, Indonesia and involved in 'Trash Hero' an initiative that aimed to help clear rubbish and educate locals in the importance of recycling.

Interest: Music - a member of choir in Glasgow and Aberdeen universities; performed to local and international audiences as a classical solo artist as well as with the choir