

## Interviews Face to Face: UCB, 208 and 216 Bath Road, Slough, SL1 3WE

Start date and duration: Aug 2024 – Aug 2025 - 13 months. 3 days a week on site.

Location: UCB, 208 and 216 Bath Road Slough

2 positions: Statistical Programming Placement Student (Paid role)

Closing date: Sunday 22nd October 2023

## **Company Background Information**

UCB is a global biopharmaceutical company, with a focus on neurology and immunology.

UCB's ambition is to transform the lives of people living with severe diseases. We focus on neurology and immunology disorders – putting patients at the centre of our world. We are Inspired by Patients. Driven by Science and are now more than 7,500 people in all four corners of the globe.

Our medicines treat thousands of people around the world, and we are engaging with patients, their families and healthcare professionals to address their unmet needs. We want to enhance our understanding of disease and the real-life experiences of patients so that our teams can deliver the right drug and the right care to the right patient.

UCB is continuously working to advance science and embrace new knowledge. We are leveraging scientific advances and skills in areas such as genetics, biomarkers and human biology. Patients inspire us to bring them value through cutting-edge science, innovative drugs, and practical solutions – so that they and their carers can get on with their lives.



## **Role Description – Statistical Programmer**

UCB invites **2** students to help with drug development in their UK **Statistical Programming** department based in Slough, Berkshire.

Clinical trials produce vast amounts of data, and the role of the Statistical Programmer is instrumental in transforming this information to assess the safety and efficacy of new medicines. The job focuses on data visualisation, employing graphs and tables to present findings. The need for creative solutions is paramount, as each study is unique in its structure and requirements.

In the medical field, programmers are more than just data manipulators. They construct comprehensive data-driven narratives concerning patient profiles or novel medicines. Quality visualisation transforms intricate data into compelling, straightforward messages. Our programmers effectively narrate the stories embedded in the data using advanced graphics and interactive tools.

In your day-to-day tasks, you will identify trends, troubleshoot issues, and apply logical reasoning to clarify what the data signifies about patient experiences in clinical trials. Quick thinking and meticulous attention to detail are crucial to guarantee patient safety, especially when operating under tight deadlines. Both formal and informal training in statistics and programming will be available; prior programming experience is not a prerequisite, and you'll have the chance to participate in relevant scientific seminars.

To qualify for these roles, you should be in your 2nd year of a BSc in Mathematics or Statistics. Students enrolled in other courses with a substantial statistical focus will also be considered. Essential skills include effective communication, presentation capabilities, organisational aptitude, and the ability to work independently and as part of a team. Enthusiasm and a keen eye for detail are also highly valued.

For confidential consideration for the role, please send your CV and the answers to the following questions to <a href="mailto:lizzi.pitt@ucb.com">lizzi.pitt@ucb.com</a>:

- What interests you about statistical programming in the pharmaceutical industry?
- Please give an example of a major piece of work you have done, details of what it entailed and how you went about it.

Please ensure your name is included in the title of your CV document and also in the title of the accompanying question document.

The closing date for applications is Sunday 22nd October 2023. We anticipate holding interviews in Slough in early November 2023. Travel will be reimbursed.