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Principal Associate

Cate's professional career started at Vetoquinol where she worked as a Quality Control Analyst before moving to BAS Analytics as a Quality Assurance Officer. Her next position was as a Senior Quality Assurance Officer at Sequani where she worked for nearly five years.

Following that she moved to Retroscreen (now hVIVO) as Quality Assurance Manager and was involved in transitioning the company from university research to commercial testing and designing a quality management system that met the requirements of GLP, GCP and ISO 9001. Cate then moved to Covance as a Senior Quality Assurance auditor before taking up the position of Quality Assurance Manager at Smith and Nephew three years later. This position extended Cate's experience to include ISO 17025 and the Human Tissue Act as well as computer systems validation, lean business processes and continuous improvement.

Cate's broad experience of Quality Management Systems is especially beneficial to organisations which require a lean quality management system capable of meeting changing regulatory requirements.

She is a member of the Research Quality Association (where she serves on the Northern Regional Forum Committee) and the Society for Quality Assurance from whom she has been certified as a Registered Quality Assurance Professional in GLP (RQAP-GLP). She is a qualified ISO 9001:2015 Lead Assessor and an internal auditor for ISO 17025.