

Data Product Owner

Location:	Guildford, Surrey
Salary:	Dependent on experience
Start:	Immediately
Duration:	Permanent

Applications are invited for a Data Product Owner to join an expanding science-based start-up. The successful candidate will work closely with the members of the data and wider science teams to develop and deliver new data-based products with a brand new biological data for the earth created using DNA-based bio-monitoring.

Applicants should have significant experience with leading product development teams and crafting a vision for products taking into account the competitive landscape, customer needs, and technical constraints. They will also focus on product delivery using agile development methodologies.

NatureMetrics is a high growth start-up company leading the revolution in molecular biodiversity monitoring, enabling environmental managers to measure and monitor biodiversity with DNA-based tools. We have grown steadily for four years and are now expanding following a recent investment raise. We are a team of bright, enthusiastic individuals who are excited to be breaking new ground and disrupting the world of biodiversity monitoring. We take great pride in our work and are seeking new team members who will do the same.

The full specification can be found below. To apply please email careers@naturemetrics.co.uk including a CV and covering letter, and state that you are applying for the Data Product Owner role. There is no fixed deadline for applications and the position will be held open until we find the right candidate.

Roles & responsibilities

General
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be the voice of the customer through working closely with the business development and leadership teams to translate client feedback into business requirements and product features• Defining the product strategy and roadmap for new data products• Executing on the strategy within the data team and with external development partners and advisors• Drive technical planning within the data team to manage their capacity and prioritise tasks to maximise customer and business value

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lead product releases and set expectations internally and externally for delivery capabilities • Remove blockers to successful completion of sprint goals • Work with the marketing and business development teams to define go-to-market strategy • Provide clear communication to the leadership team on product development progress, escalate any issues that could impact the budget, timeline or strategic vision • Experience in data privacy and security and other compliance considerations
Documentation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain version-controlled, fully annotated scripts following NatureMetrics style guides • Write guides/explainers for developed tools suitable for different audiences • Prepare and contribute to reports and grant applications where relevant
Reporting
This role reports to the Head of Data
Communication
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attend regular update meetings with the wider team • Update wider company, management or board on progress as required • Work collaboratively with the data and science teams

Person Specification

Education & qualifications
Educated to degree level in Computer Science, Engineering, Mathematics or a related discipline
Specialist knowledge, skills & experience
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End-to-end product development and execution experience as a product owner/product manager with SAAS products or similar • Experience working with data products and services, or in a data analytics or data science role • Extensive experience leading teams, projects or programs using Agile software development methodologies • Knowledge of Machine Learning techniques is essential • Demonstrated ability to set requirements, specifications and KPIs resulting in customer success

- Experience with R and/or Python (or teams using these languages) an advantage
- Experience managing an AI product an advantage
- Experience working with Data Science teams an advantage
- Experience or a keen interest in biodiversity/ecology an advantage

Interpersonal & communication skills

- Organised & meticulous with effective communication skills
- Able to work independently and as part of a team

Additional requirements

All applicants are legally required to demonstrate the right to work/permission to work in the UK.

Terms and Conditions

Location

- The post is based at NatureMetrics Ltd, CABI Site, Bakeham Lane, Egham, Surrey, TW20 9TY (with a move to new Head Quarters in Guildford later this year)
- There is significant flexibility for regular home working

Working pattern and hours

- The postholder is expected to work 40 hours a week Monday to Friday with core hours between 10am and 4pm.
- Applications for flexible working will be considered

Length of appointment

- Full time, permanent