

My small startup was in need of medicinal chemistry consulting as we expanded our offshore synthesis capabilities. Mark came highly recommended by a former colleague of his at Amgen, and from our first call it was clear that Mark was easy to communicate with and eager to help. He quickly became a trusted consultant for us, and from January to August 2019 he provided weekly guidance and oversight regarding newly-emerging SAR data and high-priority targets for synthesis. At all times Mark was highly professional, insightful, and encouraging. More recently we hosted him for a daylong in-person scientific retreat and found him as easy to work with and thoughtful in person as over the phone. Looking back at his impact on our organization, Mark really helped us build on our strengths while also giving constructive, data-supported suggestions when he thought our processes or thinking could be sharpened. Had our organization not signed a strategic partnership with a major pharma partner, we would still be working with Mark. He's a smart guy who genuinely wanted to contribute to our success, and did.

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