# Paulo Teixeira

**PRODUCT & INNOVATION MANAGER** 

#### **Profile**

I'm an impact-driven professional with combined experience in R&D and business development within the areas of food technology and bioengineering. My main competence is in coordinating cross-functional teams and projects, aligning business goals with technology and product development. I have previously shown success in management of complex projects, IP strategy, product management and agile product owner functions or working as a team member to deliver on development work. I've worked both in industry and academia, and thrive in environments that are dynamic, cross-cultural, crossfunctional, and team-focused.

## **Work History**

#### Chief Innovation Officer, Mycorena AB

JANUARY 2021 — JULY 2024

- Directed an R&D team of 15 people in the areas of bioprocessing, product development, food science and lab management.
- Collaborated within fund-raising teams, resulting in 35M€ in private equity funding and grant funds over 2M€, from EU and Swedish sources.
- Coordinated technical and business teams to deliver on projects with private and public stakeholders, academia, institutions and end users.
- Created and expanded a new business unit and brought in customers for contract R&D projects followed up by process scaleup and licensing deals.
- Managed an IP portfolio of 12 patent families across EU and US.

#### Lead Product Manager, Mycorena AB

APRIL 2019 (as Tech. Marketing Mgr) — JANUARY 2021

- Led the development of a B2B mycoprotein ingredient from lab-scale to production of pilot-scale volumes, successfully achieving market validation through MVP launches.
- Discovered customer needs by closely working with them and steered the technical team from within, delivering on the right product and process.
- Developed innovative solutions jointly with other scientists in the technical team, resulting in 11 new original patents.
- Marketing of products and technical processes, web development, presentations at events, writing of technical content for fundraising, grant applications and industrial collaborations.

#### Post-Doc Researcher, Chalmers University of Technology

April 2018 — March 2020

- Main scientist in an industry-funded collaboration project with Novogy Inc. (aquired by Ginkgo Bioworks) in the area of microbial oils production for sustainable lubricant and biofuel applications.
- Developed new yeast strains through genome engineering, validated these in fermentation processes and analysed metabolites by HPLC and GC-MS.

#### **Details**

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#### **Skills**

Research & Innovation

Industrial Biotechnology

**Public Speaking & Teaching** 

Food Technology

Product Management

**Cross-Functional Teams** 

Project Management (incl. Agile)

Leadership

**Business Development** 

#### Languages

English (C2, fluent)
Swedish (B1+)
Portuguese (C2, native)
Spanish (B2)

#### References

Available upon request

#### Inventor & Business Development, Melt & Marble AB (prev. Biopetrolia AB)

FEBRUARY 2014 — AUGUST 2016

- Developed technology resulting in 2 different patents within microbial strain development for production of lipids through fermentation.
- Investigated product-market fit opportunities, developed digital marketing channels, web development with SEO and prepared investment presentations in pre-seed investment.

#### PhD Thesis, Jens Nielsens Lab, Chalmers University of Technology

AUGUST 2013 — FEBRUARY 2018

- Managed and delivered results in 4 different projects within microbial strain engineering for lipids and biofuels production.
- Microbe engineering using recombinant plasmids, CRISPR-Cas9 and ALE.
- Collaborated with scientists and funding stakeholders across different organizations.
- Wrote and published scientific articles, grants funding applications, scientific communications and science communication materials.

#### MSc Thesis, Enzyme Biotechnology, Biocant Park

SEPTEMBER 2012 — JULY 2013

- Designed and performed experiments in enzyme cloning, expression in E. coli, purification and characterization.
- Discovered function and inhibition profiles of retroviral proteases.

## **Education**

PhD Biosciences, Chalmers University of Technology (Göteborg, Sweden)

August 2013 — February 2018

MSc. Biochemistry, University of Coimbra (Coimbra, Portugal)

SEPTEMBER 2011 — JULY 2013

BSc. Biochemistry, University of Coimbra (Coimbra, Portugal)

SEPTEMBER 2008 — JULY 2011

## Additional Courses & Training (selected)

Applied Project Management (Chalmers University of Technology)

Advanced School in Bioenergy (University of Campinas, Sao Paulo)

Become a Product Manager (Cole Mercer & Evan Kimbrell, Udemy)

Building Software Apps and MVPs with No-Code tools (Bubble Academy)

Cross-Cultural Teamwork Training (CultureActive Ltd)

Creating and Managing Effective Teams (Chalmers University of Technology)