



DR. JULIAN GILBERT

(Denson 1980)

Now the CEO, Acacia Pharma Group plc, Julian studied Chemistry, Biology and Physics at A level.

“I was lucky enough to be inspired by a number of teachers in Chemistry and Biology; in particular, Peter Larkham and Joan Taylor in Chemistry, and Ian White in Biology. They enthused, encouraged and taught with smiles on their faces making it fun (most of the time).”

“I went on to study Pharmacy at University of Nottingham and stayed on to do a PhD in “Novel Drug Delivery.”



Julian subsequently joined the pharmaceutical industry, and co-founded two start-up pharmaceutical companies and is a co-inventor of both companies' lead products.

“The first company, Arakis, was sold for £107 million in 2005 and its lead product is now marketed by Novartis for the treatment of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), alone (Seebri®) and as combination product (Ultibro®).”

“The second, Acacia Pharma is still going. Our lead product BAREMSIS™ for the management of post-operative nausea and vomiting (PONV) is in late stage development and a registration filing seeking marketing authorisation will be submitted Quarter 4 2016.”

“The science teaching at AGS stimulated my passion for Chemistry and Biology and provided me with the foundations to bring new medicines to the market.”