BioCareer Pathway for **Materials Manager**

**Recent Graduates**
- Degree in public administration, engineering, science or applied science
- Some companies require certification as a Certified Public Purchasing Officer or as a Certified Purchasing Manager, or two to three years' experience in contracting, procurement or asset management

**Job Functions**
(You may be responsible for more than one)
- Develop Purchasing Policies
- Identify and Evaluate Suppliers
- Negotiate with Suppliers
- Procure Goods and Services

**Entry-level**
- Junior Purchasing Agent, Accounts Assistant, Material Handler, Shipper/Receiver, Order/Picker/Packer, Warehouse Worker

**3-5 Years**
- Purchasing Agent, Accounts Officer, Materials Planner, Warehouse Supervisor/Foreperson, Shipping/Receiving Supervisor

**5-10 Years**
- Materials Manager, Warehouse Manager, Distribution Manager

**10 Years+**
- Materials Management Director (usually requires graduate degree in business administration or supply chain management)

**Career Change**
Purchasing and/or operational management

**Actual job titles may vary slightly between organizations.**

The BioCareer Pathways are meant as a guide for potential career paths. They have been developed through secondary research.

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