

# Dr Liz Gisbourne, Product Technologist



## What did you study and where?

I went to school on the Isle of Wight & studied in London - Biology with Botany at North East London Polytechnic, Entomology at University of London Birkbeck College, Immunochemistry at London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine and Parasitology at the Royal Veterinary College. With a few years of Osteopathy college thrown in too.... I like studying.

### Did you always love science?

Yes! I've always been fascinated by how living things work

### Did you ever feel adversity getting into science because of your gender?

Genuinely no, I think research is one of the most equal and diverse areas to work in, certainly in the life sciences.

### How did you get into your role today? Did you always want to apply science to beauty?

It was accidental! I joined the Liz Earle formulation team as a temporary stop gap 5 years ago & I'm still loving it, learning every day.

### How do you apply science to your job?

I use research skills when I plan user trials; I love looking into the phytochemistry of botanical ingredients and thinking about the skin & how skincare products affect it.

## What is your favourite part of your job?

I get excited when user trial results are amazing, and seeing first production samples of new products is always a thrill.

### What is your favourite No7 Beauty Company product, and why?

My fave product has to be Liz Earle Superskin Moisturiser, to counter the island winds!

### Finally, do you have any advice for girls or women who would like to get into science?

Embrace your inner nerd! The Society of Cosmetic Sciences, supported by Liz Earle among other brands, has a brilliant schools outreach program which is definitely worth a look.