

The Fraxion logo is displayed in white lowercase letters on a dark blue circular background. Above the circle, there are two overlapping shapes: a larger light blue one and a smaller darker blue one.The aTyr logo is displayed in white lowercase letters on a dark blue background.

Company Name

aTyr Pharma

Country or Region

USA

Sector

Biotechnology
Pharmaceuticals



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CASE STUDY

Company Profile:

aTyr Pharma is a biotherapeutics company engaged in the discovery and development of innovative medicines based on novel biological pathways. aTyr’s research and development efforts are concentrated on a newly discovered area of biology, the extracellular functionality and signaling pathways of tRNA synthetases.

The Solution:

Three to five years. That’s the life expectancy of someone diagnosed with idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis, a stiffening of the lungs that makes it very difficult to breathe. So when Jason Schnieder says, “Time is of the essence,” the phrase takes on real meaning because someone’s quality of life is at stake. Mr. Schnieder is the Associate Director Operations at aTyr Pharma, a San Diego biotechnology company creating innovative medicines for people with immune-mediated diseases. Anything that can bring their life-enhancing or life-saving drugs safely and quickly to market is a good thing and that includes an automated procurement system.

“Our timelines are very tight,” said Schnieder. “Our projects aren’t something where we order the same thing over and over again. We’re requesting specialized items on a regular basis. So it’s important in our day-to-day operations that purchase orders flow through our system quickly and efficiently.” Which is why aTyr turned to Fraxion.

A web-based spend-management system, Fraxion allows companies to accurately and efficiently expedite any and all purchases. Companies automate routing and approvals, establish dollar and quantity limits, and more. All with complete visibility and a complete audit trail to record accountability.

“I’m a big fan of Fraxion,” continued Schnieder. “It’s really easy to use. It’s like when somebody picks up an iPhone. They can start using it immediately; it’s so intuitive. It’s the same with Fraxion. It’s so clear what steps to take.



“With Fraxion, we just enter the info in the system, even from remote locations. Everything goes through the whole approval process automatically. Most orders only take one to two minutes to complete.

What’s more, Fraxion interfaces seamlessly with our finance system. And keeps the full approval flow, so it’s easy for auditors to see that everything’s correct.”

“We definitely get a good return on investment, that’s for sure.”

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Instead of spending an hour showing someone how to use it, I spend five minutes and they have it figured out.”

In the past, aTyr relied on a paper-based purchase order system. Fill out the PO by hand, walk it over to the manager, wait ‘til they’re back in the office, get sign off, walk it to procurement, wait ‘til they’re back in the office, hope the PO gets taken care of by the end of the day. Hardly a time-sensitive process.

“Before, I worked at a large pharma company that used Ariba, a monster procurement system. I’m so thankful we use Fraxion. It’s significantly simpler and so much easier to use. Our time saving has been substantial.”

“We really haven’t had any issues with Fraxion. And that’s a good ‘problem’ for us to have!”

BENEFITS

Benefit One

Ease of use

Benefit Two

Accuracy & efficiency

Benefit Three

ROI

Benefit Four

Seamless integration

Benefit Five

Visibility, auditability and accountability