



### **Carina Lobley**

After obtaining a PhD in structural biology, Carina began her career working as a macromolecular crystallographer providing protein structures to drive structure based drug design in the pharmaceutical industry. In 2011, Carina moved to Diamond Light Source as a Senior Support Scientist in the Macromolecular Crystallography Village. She moved to become User Office Manager six years later and after two further years moved to her current role as Senior Officer in Science Coordination and User Office at the European Spallation Source ERIC (ESS).

Her early career in structural biology, followed by her time as a support scientist at Diamond Light Source, gave Carina an excellent opportunity to learn about the needs of scientists from academia and industry as they apply for, carry out and process experiments. Moving to the User Office gave Carina an insight to the wide variety of scientific techniques that are used for research from across a large spectrum of disciplines. In moving to the ESS, she has expanded her experience to include both neutron and synchrotron facilities. Large scale research infrastructures have been at the center of her whole career and Carina has always enjoyed the vibrant research environment they provide with knowledge freely passing between facility staff and their users.