Media Technician, Food Microbiology

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Media Technician, Food Microbiology

Analytical Biology Unit, Laboratory Services Division

Temporary full-time from December 2018 to June 2020
Temporary absence of the regular incumbent

Hiring #: 2018-0592

Please read the Application Instructions [1] before applying

An opportunity is available for an individual to prepare a wide range of specialty media, buffers, stains and related reagents for all microbiological testing within Laboratory Services. Using manual and automated techniques, the incumbent will prepare high volumes of both solid and liquid media on a daily basis following specific formulas for microbial growth; maintain an accurate record of all prepared media, identify and resolve QC issues and maintain appropriate QA/QC records; perform regular monitoring and QC checks; operate autoclaves and sterilization equipment; maintain and update SOPs via OMNI to appropriate accreditation requirements. Other duties include media inventory control, purchasing and, assisting with food microbiology sample preparation.

Requirements of the position include: Three year community college diploma in a laboratory technician program combined with a minimum one year of relevant work experience involving aseptic techniques within a microbiological environment, or an equivalent combination of education and experience. Additional requirements include: working knowledge of laboratory safety; physical dexterity is required to lift media bottles and load/unload autoclaves; proven attention to detail to accurately measure, weigh, pipette, etc. according to media formulas; excellent organizational and self-motivation skills to efficiently meet all requests within established deadlines; demonstrated interpersonal and communication skills to work as an effective member of a work team in a fast paced laboratory environment.

Hours of work are 9am – 5pm, Monday – Friday.

Covering Position Number 485-003
Classification USW, Local 4120 Salary Band 4*
Normal Hiring Range $22.79 - $25.47 per hour

*Tentative evaluation; subject to committee review.

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