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VACANT POSITION FOR A SPECIAL SCIENTIST – DIAGNOSTICS LABORATORY MANAGER

Title: Special Scientist - Diagnostics Laboratory Manager
Number of positions: One (1)
Category: Contract for 2 years, with potential for renewal
Place of employment: University of Cyprus, Nicosia

The biobank.cy Center of Excellence in Biobanking and Biomedical Research of the University of Cyprus has one opening for a Special Scientist, funded by the research program: Biobanking and the Cyprus Human Genome Project (CY-Biobank), which is co-funded by the European Commission, the Republic of Cyprus and the University of Cyprus. Depending on needs and objectives, the funding of the position may be also from other sources.

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Established in 2019, the biobank.cy is developing the first Biobank in Cyprus while it aspires to fostering front-line research on human genetic diseases and offer better prospects for diagnosis, prevention and therapy, in the framework of precision medicine.

Requirements:

- PhD degree in the Biomedical Sciences
- Documented knowledge of molecular biology and genetics, experience in molecular diagnostic techniques & methodology and ability to develop independent research in genetic medicine and administrative work
- Proven work experience (>7 years) in a relevant role
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills in Greek and English

Candidate Profile:

Experienced molecular biologist with a strong academic background and hands-on expertise in molecular diagnostic laboratory operations, including knowledge of the use of contemporary *in silico* tools to evaluate genetic/genomic findings. Results-driven, detail-oriented, and capable of leading both scientific and administrative functions.

Responsibilities:

- Leading the Diagnostic Laboratory
- Oversee the laboratory to ensure that procedures and policies meet the quality and safety standards
- Implementation and evaluation of patients' results
- Reporting results with the supervision and approval from the Director, according to protocols and standards

Terms of employment

The position is for a two-year full-time contract with the possibility of renewal depending on funding. Funding may be from the CY-Biobank project or from projects funded from other sources, depending on actual needs. The monthly gross earnings will range depending on qualifications from €2500-€3500. Employee contributions to the various Governmental Funds will be deducted from this amount. The program does not provide for the payment of 13th salary.

Submission of applications:

- A letter expressing interest for the position with a brief description of qualifications relevant to the opening (1 page).
- A brief Curriculum Vitae with description of previous experience (up to 3 pages).
- Copies of degrees.
- Contact details of at least two people qualified to provide references upon request.
- Certificates attesting to the good knowledge of the Greek and English language, unless this is attested by the mother tongue of the candidate or he/she is a graduate of a greek/english school/University.

At least the best three candidates that satisfy the required qualifications, will be interviewed by a 3-member Committee. Candidates shall be informed of the result of their application by the relevant entity. The University of Cyprus shall collect and process your personal data according to the provisions of the General Regulation on Personal Data 2016/679 (EU).

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Applicants need not be citizens of the Republic of Cyprus. Applicants should however ensure, before applying, that in case they are selected they will be residing in Cyprus on a full-time basis during the employment period. Submission of application implies acceptance of this condition.

The application material should be sent electronically as one single PDF file to biobank@ucy.ac.cy , at the latest until May 31th 2025.

For more information the candidates may contact the biobank.cy Center of Excellence by phone at +357 22892815 or by email at biobank@ucy.ac.cy.