



JOB DESCRIPTION JUNIOR LAB ANALYST

About the company & context of need :

TAAG Europe is a new Joint Venture between TAAG Genetics and Kreglinger. We have the ambition to develop a network of laboratories throughout Europe. The first laboratory is currently under construction in Zaventem, strategically located near the capital of Europe and its airport. Easily accessible via the highway and public transport. This brand new lab is scheduled to start operations in April 2024. We're building the team that will run the operations and make this lab grow.

Taag Genetics :

TAAG Genetics is a biotechnology company born in 2001. We are building the world's first fully interconnected suite of multiplex molecular diagnostics kits, next generation laboratory services and AI-powered software for taking microorganism detection and identification to the next level.

Our innovative products and services function together with AI-based software platforms that generate high-quality DNA testing solutions in detection, identification and prediction of microorganism behavior.

TAAG Genetics' impact is global. Hundreds of companies have moved from traditional testing to TAAG multiplex PCR systems coupled with our AI software. Currently, we operate laboratories in Chili, Mexico and USA and our aim is to develop a network of laboratories throughout Europe. The first European service lab will be established in Zaventem near Brussels.

Kreglinger :

G&C Kreglinger was founded in Antwerp, Belgium, in 1797 as a trading company and it remains a Belgian privately owned company.

The development of Kreglinger is, to a great extent, built upon its long-term partnerships with international suppliers – each a specialist in their own field. Kreglinger has represented some of its partners for more than 50 years. While the company continues to grow, it is very proud to be one of the last independent distribution companies for specialty ingredients in the European market.

Our specialty distribution activities are closely linked to the logistics and forwarding services offered by Kregspedi; Logistics is the second important activity of the Kreglinger group in Europe.

Kreglinger distributes and develops the TAAG products and services throughout Europe.

Job Description

- **Position Name :** Junior Lab analyst
- **Reports to :** Technical Lab Manager
- **Lab location :** Excelsiorlaan 33, 1970 Zaventem, Belgium

Mission:

Contribute to the smooth operation of a new microbiology and molecular service lab (starting operations in April 2024).

Receive and process clinical and industrial samples in a timely manner following the technical procedures, focusing on quality, response time and efficiency of the processes.



Responsibilities and tasks :

- Participate in some or all of the laboratory tasks with a particular emphasis on the respect of all procedures :
 - Reception tasks such as : reception of samples, reception of clients, application of criteria for acceptance and rejection of samples
 - Sample entry tasks such as : entry of samples into the sample control system, batch review, review of pre work order and work order
 - Sample processing tasks such as : verification of batches to be processed, application of micro- and molecular biological techniques, plate loading, delivery of processed batches
 - Analysis and results publication tasks such as: reviewing raw data, analysis of the results of processed samples, prepare background information, validate the publication of results, make reports
 - Preparation of microbiological growth media and cleaning/sterilization of reusable items
 - Lab & warehouse inventory Management. Waste management
 - Lab quality control & incident management. Report gaps to Global Quality Manager
 - Maintaining the cleanliness of the lab
- The lab analysts and assistants can count on support from dedicated experts and their management.

Profile :

- Bachelor's degree in science : Biology, Microbiology, Biotechnology or a related field
- No experience required
- An internship or some months experience working in a microbiology, molecular or other comparable laboratory is a plus
- Knowledge about handling samples with biological risk
- Knowledge of nucleic acid extraction techniques
- Knowledge in laboratory techniques of molecular biology and microbiology
- Knowledge of detection technologies in molecular biology using real-time PCR
- Knowledge of Quality system management
- Intermediate knowledge of MS Office
- Good command of English, which is the working language
- Dutch, French or Spanish are a plus
- Comfortable in a start-up environment : able to work with little supervision
- Ability to analyse data and reports and handle sensitive information in a confidential manner
- Excellent interpersonal and organisational skills, team player
- Client-oriented with attention to details and effective verbal and written communication

Offer

- A lot of learning and growing possibilities (at the start of this brand-new laboratory there will be a small team and the candidate will have the opportunity to be involved in all aspects of the process rather than being confined to limited tasks)
- Permanent contract
- Competitive salary package and benefits
- Work life balance

We look forward to receiving your application and meeting you.

Please send your application to Oscar de Schaetzen, ods@kreglinger.com