



JOB DESCRIPTION -- JUNIOR LAB ASSISTANT

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 assistant
- **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 of the laboratory tasks with a particular emphasis on the respect of all procedures :
 - Receive, stock, organize and properly withdraw inventory as necessary
 - Maintaining the cleanliness of the lab
 - Dispose of the lab waste in the respect of the applicable procedures
 - Filling out records and digitize documents
 - Complete checklist of the logs according to the processes carried out
 - Preparation of microbiological growth media and cleaning/sterilization of reusable items
 - Reception tasks such as : reception of samples, reception of clients, counting of samples, 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 microbiological techniques, delivery of processed batches
 - Inform in a timely manner and according to the procedures, the incidents observed or any problems that arises to the technical lab manager
- The lab assistant can count on the continuous support from colleagues and management if he or she has any professional questions

Profile :

- No experience required
- Secondary school
- Professional or technical secondary school in Chemistry or laboratory techniques or related field (not necessary if laboratory knowledge has been acquired by experience)
- Rigorous and reliable
- Desire to learn
- Intermediate knowledge of MS Office
- Good command of English, which is the working language
- Dutch, French or Spanish are a plus
- Good interpersonal skills, team player
- Client-oriented

Offer

- A lot of learning and growing possibilities. Being in a start-up environment, tasks will evolve according to the candidate's experience and skills.
- 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