

Food Chain Laboratories is a SANAS accredited microbiological testing laboratory. We offer food hygiene solutions that minimize adverse health and environmental conditions that may negatively impact the quality and safety of products. FCL focuses on microbiological, serological and molecular testing.

FCL invites all suitably qualified and experienced candidates to apply for the following vacancies (x3):

Position Details

Position Title:	Junior Veterinary Technologist (x3)
Location:	Port Elizabeth
Reports to:	Laboratory Manager
Classification:	Permanent
Employment Equity:	Preference will be given to EE applicants

Position Purpose

Planning a testing schedule and to conduct the testing of samples submitted to the laboratory within the required turnaround times. To champion the FCL promise, brand, standards and values.

Key Accountabilities:

- Receive, prepare, analyze samples and report results following the stipulated methods in accordance with accreditation requirements (ISO 17025).
- Perform tests for methods deemed competent on (Microbiology, PCR and Serology samples).
- Documentation of all test activities in approved worksheets and laboratory notebooks
- Aseptically destroy all used microbiological aids such as syringes, swabs, tips, media, etc.
- Coordinate contracted microbiological waste removal from site
- Comply with existing systems and procedures.
- Ensure that all non-conformances are dealt with urgently and reported to Lab manager.
- Ensure the quickest turnaround time for all analysis and reporting of results.
- Ensure good housekeeping and record control.
- Participate in Quality Improvement Process and/or other assigned duties
- Maintain/preserve microbiological stock and working cultures
- Verify identity of test strains of all new deliveries of stock cultures
- Provide client with interpretation when asked.
- Investigate and report quality non-conformances in consultation with QA rep
- Ensure that relevant QC items raised at the Management Review Meetings are actioned within the required due date
- Ensure bi-monthly and monthly environmental monitoring of the laboratory
- Ensure that all equipment is identified and labeled to display calibration date and next due date
- Ensure SHE inspections are performed and signing off checklists.

- Maintain stock take for all consumables.
- Raise order for consumables following the correct procedures
- Assist with monthly stock counts and report stock shortages using the required procedures
- Investigate any stock variances
- Ensure all relevant staff are trained and assessed on all applicable SOPs, Work Instructions and QC methods (when required)

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- Validation/ verification of test methods.
- Assisting with compiling, updating and approval of test methods.
- Ensure accurate data capturing.
- Analysis and interpretation of data before reports are sent to the client.
- Timeous review and authorization of results to ensure the quickest turnaround time of reports for clients.
- Question and verify any results that do not look normal/ accurate, ensure records are maintained of such investigations

Qualifications:

- Veterinary technologist or veterinarian qualification a must

Experience:

- 1 - 2 years relevant laboratory experience (microbiology, serology, PCR and media)
- Must be registered with SAVC

Skills / Attributes / Competencies:

- Ability to plan, prioritise and organise effectively
- Results orientated
- Team player
- Conflict handling
- Time management
- Identify and escalate problems to the line manager
- Technical knowledge
- Alignment with FCL's values and culture
- Excellent communication skills

Additional Requirements:

- Able to work flexible and long hours when required to do so

All suitably qualified and experienced applicants are requested to send their CV to:

Email: recruitment@fclabs.co.za
Reference Number: Junior Veterinary Technologist
Closing Date: 23 November 2017

Please take note:
Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.
Companies may expire jobs at their own discretion.